

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2204

By: Trebilcock, Sherrer,
Terrill, Sullivan, Derby
and Kern of the House

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Mazzei of the Senate

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8 (revenue and taxation - sales tax relief - individuals
9 with certain amounts of income - removing state taxes
10 on certain foods and beverages - codification -
11 effective dates)

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2001, Section 1354, as
16 last amended by Section 5, Chapter 155, O.S.L. 2007 (68 O.S. Supp.
17 2008, Section 1354), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1354. A. ~~There~~ Except as otherwise provided by Section
19 2 of this act, there is hereby levied upon all sales, not otherwise
20 exempted in the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code, an excise tax of four and
21 one-half percent (4.5%) of the gross receipts or gross proceeds of
22 each sale of the following:

23 1. Tangible personal property, except newspapers and
24 periodicals;

1 2. Natural or artificial gas, electricity, ice, steam, or any
2 other utility or public service, except water, sewage and refuse.
3 Provided, the rate of four and one-half percent (4.5%) shall not
4 apply to sales subject to the provisions of paragraph 6 of Section
5 1357 of this title;

6 3. Transportation for hire to persons by common carriers,
7 including railroads both steam and electric, motor transportation
8 companies, Pullman car companies, airlines, and other means of
9 transportation for hire, excluding:

10 a. transportation services provided by a tourism service
11 broker which are incidental to the rendition of
12 tourism brokerage services by such broker to a
13 customer regardless of whether or not such
14 transportation services are actually owned and
15 operated by the tourism service broker. For purposes
16 of this subsection, "tourism service broker" means any
17 person, firm, association or corporation or any
18 employee of such person, firm, association or
19 corporation which, for a fee, commission or other
20 valuable consideration, arranges or offers to arrange
21 trips, tours or other vacation or recreational travel
22 plans for a customer, and

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1 b. transportation services provided by a funeral
2 establishment to family members and other persons for
3 purposes of conducting a funeral in this state;

4 4. Intrastate, interstate and international telecommunications
5 services sourced to this state in accordance with Section 1354.30 of
6 this title and ancillary services. Provided:

7 a. the term "telecommunications services" shall mean the
8 electronic transmission, conveyance, or routing of
9 voice, data, audio, video, or any other information or
10 signals to a point, or between or among points. The
11 term "telecommunications services" includes such
12 transmission, conveyance, or routing in which computer
13 processing applications are used to act on the form,
14 code or protocol of the content for purposes of
15 transmission, conveyance or routing without regard to
16 whether such service is referred to as voice-over
17 Internet protocol services or is classified by the
18 Federal Communications Commission as enhanced or value
19 added. "Telecommunications services" do not include:

20 (1) data processing and information services that
21 allow data to be generated, acquired, stored,
22 processed, or retrieved and delivered by an
23 electronic transmission to a purchaser where such
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purchaser's primary purpose for the underlying transaction is the processed data or information,

- (2) installation or maintenance of wiring or equipment on a customer's premises,
- (3) tangible personal property,
- (4) advertising, including but not limited to directory advertising,
- (5) billing and collection services provided to third parties,
- (6) Internet access services,
- (7) radio and television audio and video programming services, regardless of the medium, including the furnishing of transmission, conveyance and routing of such services by the programming service provider. Radio and television audio and video programming services shall include, but not be limited to, cable service as defined in 47 U.S.C. 522(6) and audio and video programming services delivered by commercial mobile radio service providers, as defined in 47 C.F.R. 20.3;
- (8) ancillary services, or
- (9) digital products delivered electronically, including but not limited to, software, music, video, reading materials or ring tones,

1 b. the term "interstate" means a "telecommunications
2 service" that originates in one United States state,
3 or a United States territory or possession, and
4 terminates in a different United States state or a
5 United States territory or possession,

6 c. the term "intrastate" means a telecommunications
7 service that originates in one United States state or
8 a United States territory or possession, and
9 terminates in the same United States state or a United
10 States territory or possession,

11 d. the term "ancillary services" means services that are
12 associated with or incidental to the provision of
13 telecommunications services, including but not limited
14 to "detailed telecommunications billing", "directory
15 assistance", "vertical service", and "voice mail
16 services" ~~and~~

17 e. in the case of a bundled transaction that includes
18 telecommunication service, ancillary service, internet
19 access or audio or video programming service:

20 (1) if the price is attributable to products that are
21 taxable and products that are nontaxable, the
22 portion of the price attributable to the
23 nontaxable products may be subject to tax unless
24 the provider can identify by reasonable and

1 verifiable standards such portion for its books
2 and records kept in the regular course of
3 business for other purposes, including, but not
4 limited to, nontax purposes, and

5 (2) the provisions of this paragraph shall apply
6 unless otherwise provided by federal law,

7 f. a sale of prepaid calling service or prepaid wireless
8 calling service shall be taxable at the time of sale
9 to the customer;

10 5. Telecommunications nonrecurring charges, which means an
11 amount billed for the installation, connection, change or initiation
12 of telecommunications services received by a customer;

13 6. Printing or printed matter of all types, kinds, or character
14 and, except for services of printing, copying or photocopying
15 performed by a privately owned scientific and educational library
16 sustained by monthly or annual dues paid by members sharing the use
17 of such services with students interested in the study of geology,
18 petroleum engineering or related subjects, any service of printing
19 or overprinting, including the copying of information by mimeograph,
20 multigraph, or by otherwise duplicating written or printed matter in
21 any manner, or the production of microfiche containing information
22 from magnetic tapes or other media furnished by customers;

23 7. Service of furnishing rooms by hotel, apartment hotel,
24 public rooming house, motel, public lodging house, or tourist camp;

1 8. Service of furnishing storage or parking privileges by auto
2 hotels or parking lots;

3 9. Computer hardware, software, coding sheets, cards, magnetic
4 tapes or other media on which prewritten programs have been coded,
5 punched, or otherwise recorded, including the gross receipts from
6 the licensing of software programs;

7 10. Foods, confections, and all drinks sold or dispensed by
8 hotels, restaurants, or other dispensers, and sold for immediate
9 consumption upon the premises or delivered or carried away from the
10 premises for consumption elsewhere;

11 11. Advertising of all kinds, types, and characters, including
12 any and all devices used for advertising purposes except those
13 specifically exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 1357 of
14 this title;

15 12. Dues or fees to clubs including free or complimentary dues
16 or fees which have a value equivalent to the charge that would have
17 otherwise been made, including any fees paid for the use of
18 facilities or services rendered at a health spa or club or any
19 similar facility or business;

20 13. Tickets for admission to or voluntary contributions made to
21 places of amusement, sports, entertainment, exhibition, display, or
22 other recreational events or activities, including free or
23 complimentary admissions which have a value equivalent to the charge
24 that would have otherwise been made;

1 14. Charges made for the privilege of entering or engaging in
2 any kind of activity, such as tennis, racquetball, or handball, when
3 spectators are charged no admission fee;

4 15. Charges made for the privilege of using items for
5 amusement, sports, entertainment, or recreational activity, such as
6 trampolines or golf carts;

7 16. The rental of equipment for amusement, sports,
8 entertainment, or other recreational activities, such as bowling
9 shoes, skates, golf carts, or other sports or athletic equipment;

10 17. The gross receipts from sales from any vending machine
11 without any deduction for rental to locate the vending machine on
12 the premises of a person who is not the owner or any other
13 deductions therefrom;

14 18. The gross receipts or gross proceeds from the rental or
15 lease of tangible personal property, including rental or lease of
16 personal property when the rental or lease agreement requires the
17 vendor to launder, clean, repair, or otherwise service the rented or
18 leased property on a regular basis, without any deduction for the
19 cost of the service rendered. If the rental or lease charge is
20 based on the retail value of the property at the time of making the
21 rental or lease agreement and the expected life of the property, and
22 the rental or lease charge is separately stated from the service
23 cost in the statement, bill, or invoice delivered to the consumer,

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1 the cost of services rendered shall be deducted from the gross
2 receipts or gross proceeds;

3 19. Flowers, plants, shrubs, trees, and other floral items,
4 whether or not produced by the vendor, sold by persons engaged in
5 florist or nursery business in this state, including all orders
6 taken by an Oklahoma business for delivery in another state. All
7 orders taken outside this state for delivery within this state shall
8 not be subject to the taxes levied in this section;

9 20. Tangible personal property sold to persons, peddlers,
10 solicitors, or other salesmen, for resale when there is likelihood
11 that this state will lose tax revenue due to the difficulty of
12 enforcing the provisions of the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code because of:

- 13 a. the operation of the business,
- 14 b. the nature of the business,
- 15 c. the turnover of independent contractors,
- 16 d. the lack of place of business in which to display a
17 permit or keep records,
- 18 e. lack of adequate records,
- 19 f. the fact that the persons are minors or transients,
- 20 g. the fact that the persons are engaged in service
21 businesses, or
- 22 h. any other reasonable reason;

23 21. Any taxable services and tangible personal property
24 including materials, supplies, and equipment sold to contractors for

1 the purpose of developing and improving real estate even though said
2 real estate is intended for resale as real property, hereby declared
3 to be sales to consumers or users, however, taxable materials,
4 supplies and equipment sold to contractors as provided by this
5 subsection which are purchased as a result of and subsequent to the
6 date of a contract entered into either prior to the effective date
7 of any law increasing the rate of sales tax imposed by this article,
8 or entered into prior to the effective date of an ordinance or other
9 measure increasing the sales tax levy of a political subdivision
10 shall be subject to the rate of sales tax applicable, as of the date
11 such contract was entered into, to sales of such materials, supplies
12 and equipment if such purchases are required in order to complete
13 the contract. Such rate shall be applicable to purchases made
14 pursuant to the contract or any change order under the contract
15 until the contract or any change order has been completed, accepted
16 and the contractor has been discharged from any further obligation
17 under the contract or change order or until two (2) years from the
18 date on which the contract was entered into whichever occurs first.
19 The increased sales tax rate shall be applicable to all such
20 purchases at the time of sale and the contractor shall file a claim
21 for refund before the expiration of three (3) years after the date
22 of contract completion or five (5) years after the contract was
23 entered into, whichever occurs earlier. However, the Oklahoma Tax
24 Commission shall prescribe rules and regulations and shall provide

1 procedures for the refund to a contractor of sales taxes collected
2 on purchases eligible for the lower sales tax rate authorized by
3 this subsection; and

4 22. Any taxable services and tangible personal property sold to
5 persons who are primarily engaged in selling their services, such as
6 repairmen, hereby declared to be sales to consumers or users.

7 B. All solicitations or advertisements in print or electronic
8 media by Group Three vendors, for the sale of tangible property to
9 be delivered within this state, shall contain a notice that the sale
10 is subject to Oklahoma sales tax, unless the sale is exempt from
11 such taxation.

12 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1354A of Title 68, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. There is hereby levied upon sales of all eligible food and
16 beverages as defined in the federal Food Stamp Act, 7 U.S.C.,
17 Section 2011 et seq., as the act existed on January 1, 2005, an
18 excise tax based on the gross receipts or gross proceeds of each
19 sale.

20 B. The excise tax rates shall be:

21 1. Four percent (4%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010;

22 2. Three and one-half percent (3.5%) for the fiscal year ending
23 June 30, 2011;

24 3. Three percent (3%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012;

1 4. Two and one-half percent (2.5%) for the fiscal year ending
2 June 30, 2013;

3 5. Two percent (2%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014;

4 6. One and one-half percent (1.5%) for the fiscal year ending
5 June 30, 2015;

6 7. One percent (1%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016;
7 and

8 8. One-half percent (.5%) for the fiscal year ending June 30,
9 2017, and all subsequent years.

10 C. The rate provided for in subsection B of this section shall
11 not affect any county or municipal sales tax imposed pursuant to
12 law.

13 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2001, Section 1402, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1402. ~~There~~ Except as otherwise provided by Section 4
16 of this act, there is hereby levied and there shall be paid by every
17 person storing, using, or otherwise consuming within this state,
18 tangible personal property purchased or brought into this state, an
19 excise tax on the storage, use, or other consumption in this state
20 of such property at the rate of four and one-half percent (4.5%) of
21 the purchase price of such property. Said tax shall not be levied
22 on tangible personal property intended solely for use in other
23 states, but which is stored in Oklahoma pending shipment to such
24 other states or which is temporarily retained in Oklahoma for the

1 purpose of fabrication, repair, testing, alteration, maintenance, or
2 other service. The tax in such instances shall be paid at the time
3 of importation or storage of the property within the state and a
4 subsequent credit shall be taken by the taxpayer for the amount so
5 paid upon removal of the property from the state. Such tax is
6 hereby levied and shall be paid in an amount equal to four and
7 one-half percent (4.5%) of the purchase price of such tangible
8 personal property.

9 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1402A of Title 68, unless there
11 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 A. There is hereby levied upon persons storing, using, or
13 otherwise consuming within this state, tangible personal property
14 purchased or brought into this state, an excise tax on the storage,
15 use, or other consumption in this state of all eligible food and
16 beverages as defined in the federal Food Stamp Act, 7 U.S.C.,
17 Section 2011 et seq., as the act existed on January 1, 2005, an
18 excise tax based on the gross receipts or purchase price of such
19 property at a rate specified by subsection B of this section.

20 B. The tax rate upon storage, or use, or other consumption
21 shall be:

- 22 1. Four percent (4%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010;
- 23 2. Three and one-half percent (3.5%) for the fiscal year ending
24 June 30, 2011;

- 1 3. Three percent (3%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012;
2 4. Two and one-half percent (2.5%) for the fiscal year ending
3 June 30, 2013;
4 5. Two percent (2%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014;
5 6. One and one-half percent (1.5%) for the fiscal year ending
6 June 30, 2015;
7 7. One percent (1%) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016;
8 and
9 8. One-half percent (.5%) for the fiscal year ending June 30,
10 2017, and all subsequent years.

11 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2001, Section 5011, as
12 amended by Section 15, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2004 (68 O.S. Supp. 2008,
13 Section 5011), is amended to read as follows:

14 Section 5011. A. Except as otherwise provided by this section,
15 beginning with the calendar year 1990 and for each calendar year
16 through 1998, and for calendar year 2003, any individual who is a
17 resident of and is domiciled in this state during the entire
18 calendar year for which the filing is made and whose gross household
19 income for such year does not exceed Twelve Thousand Dollars
20 (\$12,000.00) may file a claim for sales tax relief.

21 B. For calendar years 1999, 2002 and 2004, any individual who
22 is a resident of and is domiciled in this state during the entire
23 calendar year for which the filing is made may file a claim for
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1 sales tax relief if the gross household income for such year does
2 not exceed the following amounts:

3 1. For an individual not subject to the provisions of paragraph
4 2 of this subsection and claiming no allowable personal exemption
5 other than the allowable personal exemption for that individual or
6 the spouse of that individual, Fifteen Thousand Dollars
7 (\$15,000.00); or

8 2. For an individual claiming one or more allowable personal
9 exemptions other than the allowable personal exemption for that
10 individual or the spouse of that individual, an individual with a
11 physical disability constituting a substantial handicap to
12 employment, or an individual who is sixty-five (65) years of age or
13 older at the close of the tax year, Thirty Thousand Dollars
14 (\$30,000.00).

15 C. For calendar years 2000, 2001, 2005 and following, an
16 individual who is a resident of and is domiciled in this state
17 during the entire calendar year for which the filing is made may
18 file a claim for sales tax relief if the gross household income for
19 such year does not exceed the following amounts:

20 1. For an individual not subject to the provisions of paragraph
21 2 of this subsection and claiming no allowable personal exemption
22 other than the allowable personal exemption for that individual or
23 the spouse of that individual, Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00);
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1 2. For an individual claiming one or more allowable personal
2 exemptions other than the allowable personal exemption for that
3 individual or the spouse of that individual, an individual with a
4 physical disability constituting a substantial handicap to
5 employment, or an individual who is sixty-five (65) years of age or
6 older at the close of the tax year, Fifty Thousand Dollars
7 (\$50,000.00).

8 D. For calendar years 2010 and following, an individual who is
9 a resident of and is domiciled in this state during the entire
10 calendar year for which the filing is made may file a claim for
11 fifty percent (50%) of the amount of sales tax relief for such years
12 that the gross household income of the individual meets the
13 following requirements:

14 1. For an individual not subject to the provisions of paragraph
15 2 of this subsection and claiming no allowable personal exemption
16 other than the allowable personal exemption for that individual or
17 the spouse of that individual with a gross household income that is
18 greater than Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) and less than
19 Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); or

20 2. For an individual claiming one or more allowable personal
21 exemptions other than the allowable personal exemption for that
22 individual or the spouse of that individual, an individual with a
23 physical disability constituting a substantial handicap to
24 employment, or an individual who is sixty-five (65) years of age or

1 older at the close of the tax year, with a gross household income
2 that is greater than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) and less
3 than Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00).

4 E. The amount of the claim filed pursuant to the Sales Tax
5 Relief Act shall be ~~Fifty Dollars (\$40.00)~~ Sixty Dollars (\$60.00)
6 multiplied by the number of allowable personal exemptions. As used
7 in the Sales Tax Relief Act, "allowable personal exemption" means a
8 personal exemption to which the taxpayer would be entitled pursuant
9 to the provisions of the Oklahoma Income Tax Act, except for:

10 1. The exemptions such taxpayer would be entitled to pursuant
11 to Section 2358 of this title if such taxpayer or spouse is blind or
12 sixty-five (65) years of age or older at the close of the tax year;

13 2. An exemption for a person convicted of a felony if during
14 all or any part of the calendar year for which the claim is filed
15 such person was an inmate in the custody of the Department of
16 Corrections; or

17 3. An exemption for a person if during all or any part of the
18 calendar year for which the claim is filed such person resided
19 outside of this state.

20 ~~E.~~ F. If the Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers
21 produced by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States
22 Department of Labor (CPI-U) increases for calendar years 2010 and
23 following, then the following year the income limitations provided
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1 in subsections C and D of this section shall be adjusted to reflect
2 the annual rate of increase in the index.

3 G. A person convicted of a felony shall not be permitted to
4 file a claim for sales tax relief pursuant to the provisions of
5 Sections 5010 through 5016 of this title for the period of time
6 during which the person is an inmate in the custody of the
7 Department of Corrections. Such period of time shall include the
8 entire calendar year if the person is in the custody of the
9 Department of Corrections during any part of the calendar year. The
10 provisions of this subsection shall not prohibit all other members
11 of the household of an inmate from filing a claim based upon the
12 personal exemptions to which the household members would be entitled
13 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Income Tax Act.

14 ~~F.~~ H. The Department of Corrections shall withhold up to fifty
15 percent (50%) of any money inmates receive for claims made pursuant
16 to the Sales Tax Relief Act prior to September 1, 1991, for costs of
17 incarceration.

18 ~~G.~~ I. For purposes of Section 139.105 of Title 17 of the
19 Oklahoma Statutes, the gross household income of any individual who
20 may file a claim for sales tax relief shall not exceed Twelve
21 Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00).

22 SECTION 6. Sections 1 through 4 of this act shall become
23 effective July 1, 2009.

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