

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4465

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled  
"Use tax act,"  
by amending section 4d (MCL 205.94d), as amended by 2008 PA 439.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 4d. (1) The following are exempt from the tax under this  
2 act:

3       (a) Sales of drugs for human use that can only be legally  
4 dispensed by prescription, **OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUGS FOR HUMAN USE**  
5 **THAT ARE LEGALLY DISPENSED BY PRESCRIPTION**, or food or food  
6 ingredients, except prepared food intended for immediate human  
7 consumption. **AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUG"**  
8 **MEANS A DRUG THAT IS LABELED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FORMAT AND**  
9 **CONTENT REQUIREMENTS REQUIRED FOR LABELING OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUGS**

1 UNDER 21 CFR 201.66.

2 (b) The deposit on a returnable container for a beverage or  
3 the deposit on a carton or case that is used for returnable  
4 containers.

5 (c) Food or tangible personal property purchased under the  
6 federal food stamp program or meals sold by a person exempt from  
7 the tax under this act eligible to be purchased under the federal  
8 food stamp program.

9 (d) Fruit or vegetable seeds and fruit or vegetable plants if  
10 purchased at a place of business authorized to accept food stamps  
11 by the ~~food~~**FOOD** and ~~nutrition service~~**NUTRITION SERVICE** of the  
12 United States ~~department~~**DEPARTMENT** of ~~agriculture~~**AGRICULTURE** or a  
13 place of business that has made a complete and proper application  
14 for authorization to accept food stamps but has been denied  
15 authorization and provides proof of denial to the department of  
16 treasury.

17 (e) Live animals purchased with the intent to be slaughtered  
18 for human consumption.

19 (2) Food or drink heated or cooled mechanically, electrically,  
20 or by other artificial means to an average temperature above 75  
21 degrees Fahrenheit or below 65 degrees Fahrenheit before sale and  
22 sold from a vending machine, except milk, nonalcoholic beverages in  
23 a sealed container, and fresh fruit, is subject to the tax under  
24 this act. The tax due under this act on the sale of food or drink  
25 from a vending machine selling both taxable items and items exempt  
26 under this subsection shall be calculated under this act after  
27 December 31, 1994 based on 1 of the following as determined by the

1 taxpayer:

2 (a) Actual gross proceeds from sales at retail.

3 (b) Forty-five percent of proceeds from the sale of items  
4 subject to tax under this act or exempt from the tax levied under  
5 this act, other than from the sale of carbonated beverages.

6 (3) "Food and food ingredients" means substances, whether in  
7 liquid, concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form,  
8 that are sold for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed  
9 for their taste or nutritional value. Food and food ingredients do  
10 not include alcoholic beverages and tobacco.

11 (4) "Prepared food" means the following:

12 (a) Food sold in a heated state or that is heated by the  
13 seller.

14 (b) Two or more food ingredients mixed or combined by the  
15 seller for sale as a single item.

16 (c) Food sold with eating utensils provided by the seller,  
17 including knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins, straws, or  
18 plates, but not including a container or packaging used to  
19 transport the food.

20 (5) Prepared food does not include the following:

21 (a) Food that is only cut, repackaged, or pasteurized by the  
22 seller.

23 (b) Raw eggs, fish, meat, poultry, and foods containing those  
24 raw items requiring cooking by the consumer in recommendations  
25 contained in section 3-401.11 of part 3-4 of chapter 3 of the 2001  
26 food code published by the ~~food~~**FOOD** and ~~drug administration~~**DRUG**  
27 **ADMINISTRATION** of the ~~public health service~~**PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE**

1 of the ~~department~~ **DEPARTMENT** of health **HEALTH** and ~~human services,~~  
2 **HUMAN SERVICES**, to prevent foodborne illness.

3 (c) Food sold in an unheated state by weight or volume as a  
4 single item, without eating utensils.

5 (d) Bakery items, including bread, rolls, buns, biscuits,  
6 bagels, croissants, pastries, doughnuts, danish, cakes, tortes,  
7 pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, and tortillas, sold without  
8 eating utensils.

9 (6) "Prepared food intended for immediate consumption" means  
10 prepared food.

11 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is retroactive and  
12 effective beginning March 14, 2014.