

HOUSE BILL No. 5959

June 1, 2004, Introduced by Reps. Wenke, Huizenga, Murphy, Nitz, Vander Veen, Tobocman, Sak, Richardville and Kooiman and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled
"General sales tax act,"
(MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 4bb.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 4bb. (1) The tax levied under this act does not apply
2 to sales of tangible personal property to a person who is a
3 motion picture production company if all of the following apply:

4 (a) The motion picture production company has spent
5 \$250,000.00 or more in this state in the immediately preceding
6 12-month period for purposes related to the filming or production
7 of 1 or more motion pictures.

8 (b) The tangible personal property is purchased by the motion
9 picture production company for purposes related to the filming or
10 production of a motion picture.

11 (2) As used in this section:

1 (a) "Motion picture" means a nationally distributed
2 feature-length film, video, television series, or commercial made
3 in this state, in whole or in part, for theatrical or television
4 viewing or as a television pilot. Motion picture does not
5 include the production of television coverage of news or sporting
6 events.

7 (b) "Motion picture production company" means a company in
8 the business of producing nationally distributed motion
9 pictures. However, motion picture production company does not
10 include a company owned, affiliated, or controlled, in whole or
11 in part, by a company or individual that is in default on a loan
12 made by the state or a loan guaranteed by the state.