HOUSE BILL NO. 6376

September 15, 2022, Introduced by Rep. Outman and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act,"

by amending sections 2b, 4a, and 5c (MCL 205.92b, 205.94a, and 205.95c), section 2b as amended by 2020 PA 47, section 4a as amended by 2004 PA 172, and section 5c as added by 2019 PA 144.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2b. As used in this act:
- (a) "Alcoholic beverage" means a beverage suitable for humanconsumption that contains 1/2 of 1% or more of alcohol by volume.
- 4 (b) "Car sharing program agreement" means that term as defined

under section 3 of the peer-to-peer car sharing program act.

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- (c) (b) "Computer" means an electronic device that accepts
 information in digital or similar form and manipulates it for a
 result based on a sequence of instructions.
- (d) (e) "Computer software" means a set of coded instructions
 designed to cause a computer or automatic data processing equipment
 to perform a task.
 - (e) (d)—"Delivered electronically" means delivered from the seller to the purchaser by means other than tangible storage media.
 - (f) (e)—"Delivery charges" means charges by the seller for preparation and delivery to a location designated by the purchaser of tangible personal property or services. Delivery charges include, but are not limited to, transportation, shipping, postage, handling, crating, and packing. Beginning September 1, 2004, delivery charges do not include the charges for delivery of direct mail if the charges are separately stated on an invoice or similar
- 17 billing document given to the purchaser. If a shipment includes
- 18 both exempt property and taxable property, the seller shall
- 19 allocate the delivery charge using 1 of the following methods:
- (i) Multiply the delivery price by a fraction, the numerator of
 which is the total sales prices of the taxable property and the
 denominator of which is the total sales prices of all property in
 the shipment.
 - (ii) Multiply the delivery price by a fraction, the numerator of which is the total weight of the taxable property and the denominator of which is the total weight of all property in the shipment.
- 28 (g) (f) "Dental prosthesis" means a bridge, crown, denture, or
 29 other similar artificial device used to repair or replace intraoral

- 1 defects such as missing teeth, missing parts of teeth, and missing
- 2 soft or hard structures of the jaw or palate.
- 3 (h) (g) "Dietary supplement" means any product, other than
- 4 tobacco, intended to supplement the diet that is all of the
- 5 following:
- 6 (i) Required to be labeled as a dietary supplement identifiable
- 7 by the "supplement facts" "Supplement Facts" box found on the label
- **8** as required by 21 CFR 101.36.
- 9 (ii) Contains 1 or more of the following dietary ingredients:
- 10 (A) A vitamin.
- 11 (B) A mineral.
- 12 (C) An herb or other botanical.
- 13 (D) An amino acid.
- 14 (E) A dietary substance for use by humans to supplement the
- 15 diet by increasing the total dietary intake.
- 16 (F) A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or
- 17 combination of any ingredient listed in sub-subparagraphs (A) to
- **18** (E).
- 19 (iii) Intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder,
- 20 softgel, gelcap, or liquid form, or if not intended for ingestion
- 21 in 1 of those forms, is not represented as conventional food or for
- 22 use as a sole item of a meal or of the diet.
- 23 (i) (h) "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or
- 24 distributed by United States mail or other delivery service to a
- 25 mass audience or to addresses on a mailing list provided by the
- 26 purchaser or at the direction of the purchaser if the cost of the
- 27 items is not billed directly to the recipients, including tangible
- 28 personal property supplied directly or indirectly by the purchaser
- 29 to the direct mail seller for inclusion in the package containing

- ${f 1}$ the printed material but not including multiple items of printed
- 2 material delivered to a single address.
- 3 (j) (i) "Drug" means a compound, substance, or preparation, or
- 4 any component of a compound, substance, or preparation, other than
- 5 food or food ingredients, dietary supplements, or alcoholic
- 6 beverages, intended for human use that is 1 or more of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (i) Recognized in the official United States Pharmacopoeia,
- 9 official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States, or
- 10 official national formulary, or in any of their supplements.
- 11 (ii) Intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation,
- 12 treatment, or prevention of disease.
- 13 (iii) Intended to affect the structure or any function of the
- **14** body.
- (k) (j) "Durable medical equipment" means equipment for home
- 16 use, other than mobility enhancing equipment, dispensed pursuant to
- 17 a prescription, including durable medical equipment repair or
- 18 replacement parts, that does all of the following:
- (i) Can withstand repeated use.
- 20 (ii) Is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical
- 21 purpose.
- 22 (iii) Is not useful generally to a person in the absence of
- 23 illness or injury.
- 24 (iv) Is not worn in or on the body.
- (l) (k)—"Durable medical equipment repair or replacement parts"
- 26 includes all components or attachments used in conjunction with
- 27 durable medical equipment.
- 28 (m) (l)—"Electronic" means relating to technology having
- 29 electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic,

- 1 or similar capabilities.
- 2 (n) (m) "Lease or rental" means any transfer of possession or
- 3 control of tangible personal property for a fixed or indeterminate
- 4 term for consideration and may include future options to purchase
- 5 or extend. This definition applies only to leases and rentals
- 6 entered into after September 1, 2004 and has no retroactive impact
- 7 on leases and rentals that existed on that date. Lease or rental
- 8 includes peer-to-peer car sharing pursuant to a car sharing program
- 9 agreement. Lease or rental does not include the following
- 10 subparagraphs (i) to (iii) and includes subparagraph (iv):
- 11 (i) A transfer of possession or control of tangible personal
- 12 property under a security agreement or deferred payment plan that
- 13 requires the transfer of title upon completion of the required
- 14 payments.
- (ii) A transfer of possession or control of tangible personal
- 16 property under an agreement requiring transfer of title upon
- 17 completion of the required payments and payment of an option price
- 18 that does not exceed \$100.00 or 1% of the total required payments,
- 19 whichever is greater.
- 20 (iii) The provision of tangible personal property along with an
- 21 operator for a fixed or indeterminate period of time, if that
- 22 operator is necessary for the equipment to perform as designed. To
- 23 be necessary, an operator must do more than maintain, inspect, or
- 24 set up the tangible personal property.
- 25 (iv) An agreement covering motor vehicles or trailers if the
- 26 amount of consideration may be increased or decreased by reference
- 27 to the amount realized upon sale or disposition of the property as
- 28 defined in section 7701(h)(1) of the internal revenue code of 1986,
- 29 26 USC 7701(h)(1).7701.

- 1 (o) (n)—"Mobility enhancing equipment" means equipment, other
 2 than durable medical equipment or a motor vehicle or equipment on a
 3 motor vehicle normally provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer,
 4 dispensed pursuant to a prescription, including repair or
 5 replacement parts for that equipment, that is all of the following:
- 6 (i) Primarily and customarily used to provide or increase the
 7 ability to move from 1 place to another and is appropriate for use
 8 at home or on a motor vehicle.
- (ii) Not generally used by a person with normal mobility.

- (p) "Peer-to-peer car sharing" means that term as defined under section 3 of the peer-to-peer car sharing program act.
- (q) "Peer-to-peer car sharing program" means that term as defined under section 3 of the peer-to-peer car sharing program act.
- (r) (e) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe, issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means of transmission by a licensed physician or other health professional as defined in section 3501 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3501. For a hearing aid, prescription includes an order, instruction, or direction of a hearing aid dealer or salesperson licensed under article 13 of the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.1301 to 339.1309.
- (s) (p)—"Prewritten computer software" means computer software, including prewritten upgrades, that is delivered by any means and that is not designed and developed by the author or other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser. Prewritten computer software includes all of the following:
- (i) Any combination of 2 or more prewritten computer softwareprograms or portions of prewritten computer software programs.

- (ii) Computer software designed and developed by the author or 1 2 other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser if it 3 is sold to a person other than that specific purchaser.
- 4 (iii) The modification or enhancement of prewritten computer 5 software or portions of prewritten computer software if the modification or enhancement is designed and developed to the 6 7 specifications of a specific purchaser unless there is a 8 reasonable, separately stated charge or an invoice or other 9 statement of the price is given to the purchaser for the 10 modification or enhancement. If a person other than the original 11 author or creator modifies or enhances prewritten computer 12 software, that person is considered to be the author or creator of only that person's modifications or enhancements.
- 14 (t) (a) "Prosthetic device" means, except as provided in 15 section 4ff, a replacement, corrective, or supportive device, other 16 than contact lenses and dental prosthesis, dispensed pursuant to a 17 prescription, including repair or replacement parts for that device, worn on or in the body to do 1 or more of the following: 18
 - (i) Artificially replace a missing portion of the body.
- (ii) Prevent or correct a physical deformity or malfunction of 20 21 the body.
- 22 (iii) Support a weak or deformed portion of the body.

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- 23 (u) (r) "Tobacco" means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe 24 tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco.
- 25 Sec. 4a. The following are exempt from the tax under this act:
- 26 (a) Rental receipts, including, but not limited to, peer-to-27 peer car sharing receipts under a car sharing program agreement, if 28 the tangible personal property rented or leased was previously 29 subject to 1 of the following when purchased by the lessor:

- 1 (i) This act.
- 2 (ii) The general sales tax act, 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.51 to 205.78.
- 4 (b) Rental receipts, including, but not limited to, peer-to5 peer car sharing receipts under a car sharing program agreement, if
 6 the tangible personal property rented or leased was previously
 7 taxed under a sales or use tax act of another state or a political
 8 subdivision of another state levied at a rate of 6% or more.
- 9 (c) Specific charges for technical support or for adapting or
 10 modifying prewritten computer software programs to a purchaser's
 11 needs or equipment if those charges are separately stated and
 12 identified.
- (d) The sale of computer software originally designed for theexclusive use and special needs of the purchaser.
- 15 (e) The sale of a commercial advertising element if the 16 commercial advertising element is used to create or develop a 17 print, radio, television, or other advertisement, the commercial 18 advertising element is discarded or returned to the provider after 19 the advertising message is completed, and the commercial 20 advertising element is custom developed by the provider for the purchaser. As used in this subdivision, "commercial advertising 21 22 element" means a negative or positive photographic image, an 23 audiotape or videotape master, a layout, a manuscript, writing of 24 copy, a design, artwork, an illustration, retouching, and 25 mechanical or keyline instructions. This exemption does not include 26 black and white or full color process separation elements, an audiotape reproduction, or a videotape reproduction. 27
- (f) The sale of oxygen for human use dispensed pursuant to aprescription.

1 (g) The sale of insulin for human use.

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- 2 (h) A meal provided free of charge or at a reduced rate to an
 3 employee during work hours by a food service establishment licensed
 4 by the department of agriculture.
- 5 (i) The sale of diesel fuel to a person who is an interstate6 motor carrier for use in a qualified commercial motor vehicle.
- 7 Sec. 5c. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this
 8 act, a marketplace facilitator that has nexus in this state shall
 9 collect and remit the tax due under this act on all both of the
 10 following:
 - (a) All taxable sales made by the marketplace facilitator or facilitated for marketplace sellers to a purchaser in this state regardless of whether the marketplace seller for whom sales are facilitated has nexus with this state.
- 15 (b) All taxable peer-to-peer car sharing transactions under a 16 car sharing program agreement facilitated by a marketplace 17 facilitator as part of a peer-to-peer car sharing program.
 - (2) A marketplace facilitator is a person liable for the tax imposed under this act, regardless of whether the marketplace facilitator makes only facilitated sales for marketplace sellers or a combination of direct and facilitated sales, or facilitates peerto-peer car sharing, and has all the rights and duties of a taxpayer under this act.
 - (3) A marketplace facilitator shall report its direct sales and the sales it facilitates to purchasers in this state in a manner as prescribed by the department.
- 27 (4) A class action shall not be brought against a marketplace
 28 facilitator in any court of this state on behalf of purchasers
 29 arising from or in any way related to an overpayment of use tax

- 1 collected and remitted on sales facilitated by the marketplace
- 2 facilitator, regardless of whether that claim is characterized as a
- 3 tax refund claim. Nothing in this subsection affects a purchaser's
- 4 right to seek a refund as provided under section 14b.
- 5 (5) Nothing in this section affects the obligation of a
- 6 purchaser to remit the tax imposed by this act for a taxable
- 7 transaction on which a marketplace facilitator or marketplace
- 8 seller does not remit sales or use tax.
- 9 (6) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a
- 10 marketplace facilitator is required to collect and remit tax under
- 11 subsection (1), the department shall audit only the marketplace
- 12 facilitator for sales made by marketplace sellers that were
- 13 facilitated by the marketplace facilitator. The department shall
- 14 not audit a marketplace seller for sales facilitated by a
- 15 marketplace facilitator required to collect and remit tax under
- 16 subsection (1) unless the marketplace seller fails to provide the
- 17 marketplace facilitator with sufficient information to the extent
- 18 that the marketplace facilitator is not liable under subsection
- **19** (7).
- 20 (7) A marketplace facilitator is relieved of liability under
- 21 this section for failure to collect and remit the correct amount of
- 22 tax to the extent that the marketplace facilitator demonstrates, to
- 23 the satisfaction of the department, that the failure was due to
- 24 incorrect or insufficient information given to the marketplace
- 25 facilitator by the marketplace seller. The relief under this
- 26 subsection does not apply if the marketplace seller is an affiliate
- 27 of the marketplace facilitator.
- 28 (8) A marketplace facilitator is relieved of liability under
- 29 this section if the marketplace facilitator demonstrates, to the

- 1 satisfaction of the department, that the tax levied under this act
- 2 on a sale facilitated by the marketplace facilitator was paid to
- 3 the department by the marketplace seller or provides a claim of
- 4 exemption provided by the marketplace seller's purchaser.
- 5 (9) A marketplace seller is not liable for the tax imposed by
- 6 this act on sales made through a marketplace facilitator required
- 7 to collect and remit tax under subsection (1) unless the
- 8 marketplace seller fails to provide the marketplace facilitator
- 9 with sufficient information to the extent that the marketplace
- 10 facilitator is not liable under subsection (7).
- 11 (10) This section applies regardless of whether the
- 12 marketplace facilitator has a physical presence in this state.
- 13 (11) As used in this section:
- 14 (a) "Affiliate" means an affiliated person as that term is
- 15 defined in section 5a.
- 16 (b) "Marketplace facilitator" means a person that meets the
- 17 requirements of subparagraph (i), but does not include a person
- 18 described in subparagraph (ii), (iii), or (iv):
- 19 (i) A person is a marketplace facilitator if the person
- 20 facilitates a—either of the following:
- 21 (A) A retail sale by a marketplace seller by listing or
- 22 advertising for sale by a marketplace seller in a marketplace,
- 23 tangible personal property or taxable services and either directly
- 24 or indirectly through agreements or arrangements with third parties
- 25 or its affiliates collecting payment from the customer and
- 26 transmitting that payment to the marketplace seller for
- 27 consideration.
- 28 (B) Peer-to-peer car sharing pursuant to a car sharing program
- 29 agreement.

 $oldsymbol{1}$ (ii) Marketplace facilitator does not include a person who

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- 2 operates a platform or forum that provides internet, print,
- 3 electronic, or any other form of advertising services, including
- 4 listing tangible personal property or services for sale, if the
- 5 person does not also engage directly or indirectly, through 1 or
- **6** more affiliates, in the activities described in subparagraph (i).
- 7 (iii) A person is not a marketplace facilitator with respect to
- 8 the sale of or charges for rooms, lodgings, or accommodations
- 9 described in section 3a if the rooms, lodgings, or accommodations
- 10 are provided by a hotelkeeper, motel operator, or other person that
- 11 is registered under section 5 or licensed under section 3 of the
- 12 general sales tax act, 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.53.
- (iv) A person is not a marketplace facilitator with respect to
- 14 the sale of telecommunications services as described in section 3a.
- 15 (c) "Marketplace seller" means a person that makes retail
- 16 sales through a physical or electronic marketplace operated by a
- 17 marketplace facilitator.
- 18 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 19 unless House Bill No. 4917 of the 101st Legislature is enacted into
- **20** law.