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3 HOUSE BILL 1653

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to revenue and taxation; amending
8 68 O.S. 2021, Section 1356, as last amended by
9 Section 1, Chapter 394, O.S.L. 2022 (68 O.S. Supp.
10 2022, Section 1356), which relates to sales tax
11 exemptions for governmental and nonprofit entities;
12 providing exemption for certain nonprofit entity;
13 providing an effective date; and declaring an
14 emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2021, Section 1356, as
17 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 394, O.S.L. 2022 (68 O.S. Supp.
18 2022, Section 1356), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1356. Exemptions - Governmental and nonprofit entities.

20 There are hereby specifically exempted from the tax levied by
21 Section 1350 et seq. of this title:

22 1. Sale of tangible personal property or services to the United
23 States government or to the State of Oklahoma, any political
24 subdivision of this state or any agency of a political subdivision

1 of this state; provided, all sales to contractors in connection with
2 the performance of any contract with the United States government,
3 State of Oklahoma or any of its political subdivisions shall not be
4 exempted from the tax levied by Section 1350 et seq. of this title,
5 except as hereinafter provided;

6 2. Sales of property to agents appointed by or under contract
7 with agencies or instrumentalities of the United States government
8 if ownership and possession of such property transfers immediately
9 to the United States government;

10 3. Sales of property to agents appointed by or under contract
11 with a political subdivision of this state if the sale of such
12 property is associated with the development of a qualified federal
13 facility, as provided in the Oklahoma Federal Facilities Development
14 Act, and if ownership and possession of such property transfers
15 immediately to the political subdivision or the state;

16 4. Sales made directly by county, district or state fair
17 authorities of this state, upon the premises of the fair authority,
18 for the sole benefit of the fair authority or sales of admission
19 tickets to such fairs or fair events at any location in the state
20 authorized by county, district or state fair authorities; provided,
21 the exemption provided by this paragraph for admission tickets to
22 fair events shall apply only to any portion of the admission price
23 that is retained by or distributed to the fair authority. As used
24 in this paragraph, "fair event" shall be limited to an event held on

1 the premises of the fair authority in conjunction with and during
2 the time period of a county, district or state fair;

3 5. Sale of food in cafeterias or lunchrooms of elementary
4 schools, high schools, colleges or universities which are operated
5 primarily for teachers and pupils and are not operated primarily for
6 the public or for profit;

7 6. Dues paid to fraternal, religious, civic, charitable or
8 educational societies or organizations by regular members thereof,
9 provided, such societies or organizations operate under what is
10 commonly termed the lodge plan or system, and provided such
11 societies or organizations do not operate for a profit which inures
12 to the benefit of any individual member or members thereof to the
13 exclusion of other members and dues paid monthly or annually to
14 privately owned scientific and educational libraries by members
15 sharing the use of services rendered by such libraries with students
16 interested in the study of geology, petroleum engineering or related
17 subjects;

18 7. Sale of tangible personal property or services to or by
19 churches, except sales made in the course of business for profit or
20 savings, competing with other persons engaged in the same or a
21 similar business or sale of tangible personal property or services
22 by an organization exempt from federal income tax pursuant to
23 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,
24 made on behalf of or at the request of a church or churches if the

1 sale of such property is conducted not more than once each calendar
2 year for a period not to exceed three (3) days by the organization
3 and proceeds from the sale of such property are used by the church
4 or churches or by the organization for charitable purposes;

5 8. The amount of proceeds received from the sale of admission
6 tickets which is separately stated on the ticket of admission for
7 the repayment of money borrowed by any accredited state-supported
8 college or university or any public trust of which a county in this
9 state is the beneficiary, for the purpose of constructing or
10 enlarging any facility to be used for the staging of an athletic
11 event, a theatrical production, or any other form of entertainment,
12 edification or cultural cultivation to which entry is gained with a
13 paid admission ticket. Such facilities include, but are not limited
14 to, athletic fields, athletic stadiums, field houses, amphitheaters
15 and theaters. To be eligible for this sales tax exemption, the
16 amount separately stated on the admission ticket shall be a
17 surcharge which is imposed, collected and used for the sole purpose
18 of servicing or aiding in the servicing of debt incurred by the
19 college or university to effect the capital improvements
20 hereinbefore described;

21 9. Sales of tangible personal property or services to the
22 council organizations or similar state supervisory organizations of
23 the Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of U.S.A. and Camp Fire USA;

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1 10. Sale of tangible personal property or services to any
2 county, municipality, rural water district, public school district,
3 city-county library system, the institutions of The Oklahoma State
4 System of Higher Education, the Grand River Dam Authority, the
5 Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority, the Oklahoma
6 Municipal Power Authority, City of Tulsa-Rogers County Port
7 Authority, Muskogee City-County Port Authority, the Oklahoma
8 Department of Veterans Affairs, the Broken Bow Economic Development
9 Authority, Ardmore Development Authority, Durant Industrial
10 Authority, Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority, Central Oklahoma
11 Master Conservancy District, Arbuckle Master Conservancy District,
12 Fort Cobb Master Conservancy District, Foss Reservoir Master
13 Conservancy District, Mountain Park Master Conservancy District,
14 Waurika Lake Master Conservancy District and the Office of
15 Management and Enterprise Services only when carrying out a public
16 construction contract on behalf of the Oklahoma Department of
17 Veterans Affairs, and effective July 1, 2022, the University
18 Hospitals Trust, or to any person with whom any of the above-named
19 subdivisions or agencies of this state has duly entered into a
20 public contract pursuant to law, necessary for carrying out such
21 public contract or to any subcontractor to such a public contract.
22 Any person making purchases on behalf of such subdivision or agency
23 of this state shall certify, in writing, on the copy of the invoice
24 or sales ticket to be retained by the vendor that the purchases are

1 made for and on behalf of such subdivision or agency of this state
2 and set out the name of such public subdivision or agency. Any
3 person who wrongfully or erroneously certifies that purchases are
4 for any of the above-named subdivisions or agencies of this state or
5 who otherwise violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
6 and upon conviction thereof shall be fined an amount equal to double
7 the amount of sales tax involved or incarcerated for not more than
8 sixty (60) days or both;

9 11. Sales of tangible personal property or services to private
10 institutions of higher education and private elementary and
11 secondary institutions of education accredited by the State
12 Department of Education or registered by the State Board of
13 Education for purposes of participating in federal programs or
14 accredited as defined by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
15 Education which are exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions
16 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) including
17 materials, supplies and equipment used in the construction and
18 improvement of buildings and other structures owned by the
19 institutions and operated for educational purposes.

20 Any person, firm, agency or entity making purchases on behalf of
21 any institution, agency or subdivision in this state, shall certify
22 in writing, on the copy of the invoice or sales ticket the nature of
23 the purchases, and violation of this paragraph shall be a
24 misdemeanor as set forth in paragraph 10 of this section;

1 12. Tuition and educational fees paid to private institutions
2 of higher education and private elementary and secondary
3 institutions of education accredited by the State Department of
4 Education or registered by the State Board of Education for purposes
5 of participating in federal programs or accredited as defined by the
6 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education which are exempt from
7 taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
8 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3);

9 13. a. Sales of tangible personal property made by:

- 10 (1) a public school,
- 11 (2) a private school offering instruction for grade
12 levels kindergarten through twelfth grade,
- 13 (3) a public school district,
- 14 (4) a public or private school board,
- 15 (5) a public or private school student group or
16 organization,
- 17 (6) a parent-teacher association or organization
18 other than as specified in subparagraph b of this
19 paragraph, or
- 20 (7) public or private school personnel for purposes
21 of raising funds for the benefit of a public or
22 private school, public school district, public or
23 private school board or public or private school
24 student group or organization, or

1 b. Sales of tangible personal property made by or to
2 nonprofit parent-teacher associations or organizations
3 exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
4 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3),
5 nonprofit local public or private school foundations
6 which solicit money or property in the name of any
7 public or private school or public school district.

8 The exemption provided by this paragraph for sales made by a
9 public or private school shall be limited to those public or private
10 schools accredited by the State Department of Education or
11 registered by the State Board of Education for purposes of
12 participating in federal programs. Sale of tangible personal
13 property in this paragraph shall include sale of admission tickets
14 and concessions at athletic events;

15 14. Sales of tangible personal property by:

- 16 a. local 4-H clubs,
- 17 b. county, regional or state 4-H councils,
- 18 c. county, regional or state 4-H committees,
- 19 d. 4-H leader associations,
- 20 e. county, regional or state 4-H foundations, and
- 21 f. authorized 4-H camps and training centers.

22 The exemption provided by this paragraph shall be limited to
23 sales for the purpose of raising funds for the benefit of such
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1 organizations. Sale of tangible personal property exempted by this
2 paragraph shall include sale of admission tickets;

3 15. The first Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) each
4 year from sale of tickets and concessions at athletic events by each
5 organization exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
6 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(4);

7 16. Sales of tangible personal property or services to any
8 person with whom the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department has
9 entered into a public contract and which is necessary for carrying
10 out such contract to assist the Department in the development and
11 production of advertising, promotion, publicity and public relations
12 programs;

13 17. Sales of tangible personal property or services to fire
14 departments organized pursuant to Section 592 of Title 18 of the
15 Oklahoma Statutes which items are to be used for the purposes of the
16 fire department. Any person making purchases on behalf of any such
17 fire department shall certify, in writing, on the copy of the
18 invoice or sales ticket to be retained by the vendor that the
19 purchases are made for and on behalf of such fire department and set
20 out the name of such fire department. Any person who wrongfully or
21 erroneously certifies that the purchases are for any such fire
22 department or who otherwise violates the provisions of this section
23 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof,
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1 shall be fined an amount equal to double the amount of sales tax
2 involved or incarcerated for not more than sixty (60) days, or both;

3 18. Complimentary or free tickets for admission to places of
4 amusement, sports, entertainment, exhibition, display or other
5 recreational events or activities which are issued through a box
6 office or other entity which is operated by a state institution of
7 higher education with institutional employees or by a municipality
8 with municipal employees;

9 19. The first Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) each year
10 from sales of tangible personal property by fire departments
11 organized pursuant to Titles 11, 18, or 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes
12 for the purposes of raising funds for the benefit of the fire
13 department. Fire departments selling tangible personal property for
14 the purposes of raising funds shall be limited to no more than six
15 (6) days each year to raise such funds in order to receive the
16 exemption granted by this paragraph;

17 20. Sales of tangible personal property or services to any Boys
18 & Girls Clubs of America affiliate in this state which is not
19 affiliated with the Salvation Army and which is exempt from taxation
20 pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
21 Section 501(c)(3);

22 21. Sales of tangible personal property or services to any
23 organization, which takes court-adjudicated juveniles for purposes
24 of rehabilitation, and which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the

1 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
2 501(c)(3), provided that at least fifty percent (50%) of the
3 juveniles served by such organization are court adjudicated and the
4 organization receives state funds in an amount less than ten percent
5 (10%) of the annual budget of the organization;

6 22. Sales of tangible personal property or services to:

7 a. any health center as defined in Section 254b of Title
8 42 of the United States Code,

9 b. any clinic receiving disbursements of state monies
10 from the Indigent Health Care Revolving Fund pursuant
11 to the provisions of Section 66 of Title 56 of the
12 Oklahoma Statutes,

13 c. any community-based health center which meets all of
14 the following criteria:

15 (1) provides primary care services at no cost to the
16 recipient, and

17 (2) is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
18 provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal
19 Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and

20 d. any community mental health center as defined in
21 Section 3-302 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes;

22 23. Dues or fees including free or complimentary dues or fees
23 which have a value equivalent to the charge that could have
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1 otherwise been made, to YMCAs, YWCAs or municipally-owned recreation
2 centers for the use of facilities and programs;

3 24. The first Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) each year
4 from sales of tangible personal property or services to or by a
5 cultural organization established to sponsor and promote
6 educational, charitable and cultural events for disadvantaged
7 children, and which organization is exempt from taxation pursuant to
8 the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
9 501(c) (3);

10 25. Sales of tangible personal property or services to museums
11 or other entities which have been accredited by the American
12 Association of Museums. Any person making purchases on behalf of
13 any such museum or other entity shall certify, in writing, on the
14 copy of the invoice or sales ticket to be retained by the vendor
15 that the purchases are made for and on behalf of such museum or
16 other entity and set out the name of such museum or other entity.
17 Any person who wrongfully or erroneously certifies that the
18 purchases are for any such museum or other entity or who otherwise
19 violates the provisions of this paragraph shall be deemed guilty of
20 a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined an amount
21 equal to double the amount of sales tax involved or incarcerated for
22 not more than sixty (60) days, or by both such fine and
23 incarceration;

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1 26. Sales of tickets for admission by any museum accredited by
2 the American Association of Museums. In order to be eligible for
3 the exemption provided by this paragraph, an amount equivalent to
4 the amount of the tax which would otherwise be required to be
5 collected pursuant to the provisions of Section 1350 et seq. of this
6 title shall be separately stated on the admission ticket and shall
7 be collected and used for the sole purpose of servicing or aiding in
8 the servicing of debt incurred by the museum to effect the
9 construction, enlarging or renovation of any facility to be used for
10 entertainment, edification or cultural cultivation to which entry is
11 gained with a paid admission ticket;

12 27. Sales of tangible personal property or services occurring
13 on or after June 1, 1995, to children's homes which are supported or
14 sponsored by one or more churches, members of which serve as
15 trustees of the home;

16 28. Sales of tangible personal property or services to the
17 organization known as the Disabled American Veterans, Department of
18 Oklahoma, Inc., and subordinate chapters thereof;

19 29. Sales of tangible personal property or services to youth
20 camps which are supported or sponsored by one or more churches,
21 members of which serve as trustees of the organization;

22 30. a. Until July 1, 2022, transfer of tangible personal
23 property made pursuant to Section 3226 of Title 63 of
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1 the Oklahoma Statutes by the University Hospitals
2 Trust, and

3 b. Effective July 1, 2022, transfer of tangible personal
4 property or services to or by:

5 (1) the University Hospitals Trust created pursuant
6 to Section 3224 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma
7 Statutes, or

8 (2) nonprofit entities which are exempt from taxation
9 pursuant to the provisions of the Internal
10 Revenue Code of the United States, 26 U.S.C.,
11 Section 501(c)(3), which have entered into a
12 joint operating agreement with the University
13 Hospitals Trust;

14 31. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a
15 municipality, county or school district pursuant to a lease or
16 lease-purchase agreement executed between the vendor and a
17 municipality, county or school district. A copy of the lease or
18 lease-purchase agreement shall be retained by the vendor;

19 32. Sales of tangible personal property or services to any
20 spaceport user, as defined in the Oklahoma Space Industry
21 Development Act;

22 33. The sale, use, storage, consumption or distribution in this
23 state, whether by the importer, exporter or another person, of any
24 satellite or any associated launch vehicle including components of,

1 and parts and motors for, any such satellite or launch vehicle,
2 imported or caused to be imported into this state for the purpose of
3 export by means of launching into space. This exemption provided by
4 this paragraph shall not be affected by:

- 5 a. the destruction in whole or in part of the satellite
- 6 or launch vehicle,
- 7 b. the failure of a launch to occur or be successful, or
- 8 c. the absence of any transfer or title to, or possession
- 9 of, the satellite or launch vehicle after launch;

10 34. The sale, lease, use, storage, consumption or distribution
11 in this state of any space facility, space propulsion system or
12 space vehicle, satellite or station of any kind possessing space
13 flight capacity including components thereof;

14 35. The sale, lease, use, storage, consumption or distribution
15 in this state of tangible personal property, placed on or used
16 aboard any space facility, space propulsion system or space vehicle,
17 satellite, or station possessing space flight capacity, which is
18 launched into space, irrespective of whether such tangible property
19 is returned to this state for subsequent use, storage, or
20 consumption in any manner;

21 36. The sale, lease, use, storage, consumption or distribution
22 in this state of tangible personal property meeting the definition
23 of "section 38 property" as defined in Sections 48(a)(1)(A) and
24 (B)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, that is an integral

1 part of and used primarily in support of space flight; however,
2 section 38 property used in support of space flight shall not
3 include general office equipment, any boat, mobile home, motor
4 vehicle or other vehicle of a class or type required to be
5 registered, licensed, titled or documented in this state or by the
6 United States government, or any other property not specifically
7 suited to supporting space activity. The term "in support of space
8 flight", for purposes of this paragraph, means the altering,
9 monitoring, controlling, regulating, adjusting, servicing or
10 repairing of any space facility, space propulsion systems or space
11 vehicle, satellite or station possessing space flight capacity
12 including the components thereof;

13 37. The purchase or lease of machinery and equipment for use at
14 a fixed location in this state, which is used exclusively in the
15 manufacturing, processing, compounding or producing of any space
16 facility, space propulsion system or space vehicle, satellite or
17 station of any kind possessing space flight capacity. Provided, the
18 exemption provided for in this paragraph shall not be allowed unless
19 the purchaser or lessee signs an affidavit stating that the item or
20 items to be exempted are for the exclusive use designated herein.
21 Any person furnishing a false affidavit to the vendor for the
22 purpose of evading payment of any tax imposed by Section 1354 of
23 this title shall be subject to the penalties provided by law. As
24 used in this paragraph, "machinery and equipment" means "section 38

1 property" as defined in Sections 48(a)(1)(A) and (B)(i) of the
2 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, which is used as an integral part of
3 the manufacturing, processing, compounding or producing of items of
4 tangible personal property. Such term includes parts and
5 accessories only to the extent that the exemption thereof is
6 consistent with the provisions of this paragraph;

7 38. The amount of a surcharge or any other amount which is
8 separately stated on an admission ticket which is imposed, collected
9 and used for the sole purpose of constructing, remodeling or
10 enlarging facilities of a public trust having a municipality or
11 county as its sole beneficiary;

12 39. Sales of tangible personal property or services which are
13 directly used in or for the benefit of a state park in this state,
14 which are made to an organization which is exempt from taxation
15 pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
16 Section 501(c)(3) and which is organized primarily for the purpose
17 of supporting one or more state parks located in this state;

18 40. The sale, lease or use of parking privileges by an
19 institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education;

20 41. Sales of tangible personal property or services for use on
21 campus or school construction projects for the benefit of
22 institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education,
23 private institutions of higher education accredited by the Oklahoma
24 State Regents for Higher Education or any public school or school

1 district when such projects are financed by or through the use of
2 nonprofit entities which are exempt from taxation pursuant to the
3 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
4 501(c) (3);

5 42. Sales of tangible personal property or services by an
6 organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
7 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
8 501(c) (3), in the course of conducting a national championship
9 sports event, but only if all or a portion of the payment in
10 exchange therefor would qualify as the receipt of a qualified
11 sponsorship payment described in Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
12 Section 513(i). Sales exempted pursuant to this paragraph shall be
13 exempt from all Oklahoma sales, use, excise and gross receipts
14 taxes;

15 43. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by an
16 organization which:

- 17 a. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of
18 the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
19 501(c) (3),
- 20 b. is affiliated with a comprehensive university within
21 The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, and
- 22 c. has been organized primarily for the purpose of
23 providing education and teacher training and
24 conducting events relating to robotics;

1 44. The first Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) each year
2 from sales of tangible personal property to or by youth athletic
3 teams which are part of an athletic organization exempt from
4 taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
5 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(4), for the purposes of raising funds for the
6 benefit of the team;

7 45. Sales of tickets for admission to a collegiate athletic
8 event that is held in a facility owned or operated by a municipality
9 or a public trust of which the municipality is the sole beneficiary
10 and that actually determines or is part of a tournament or
11 tournament process for determining a conference tournament
12 championship, a conference championship, or a national championship;

13 46. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by an
14 organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
15 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
16 501(c)(3) and is operating the Oklahoma City National Memorial and
17 Museum, an affiliate of the National Park System;

18 47. Sales of tangible personal property or services to
19 organizations which are exempt from federal taxation pursuant to the
20 provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
21 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), the memberships of which are limited to
22 honorably discharged veterans, and which furnish financial support
23 to area veterans' organizations to be used for the purpose of
24 constructing a memorial or museum;

1 48. Sales of tangible personal property or services on or after
2 January 1, 2003, to an organization which is exempt from taxation
3 pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
4 Section 501(c) (3) that is expending monies received from a private
5 foundation grant in conjunction with expenditures of local sales tax
6 revenue to construct a local public library;

7 49. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a state
8 that borders this state or any political subdivision of that state,
9 but only to the extent that the other state or political subdivision
10 exempts or does not impose a tax on similar sales of items to this
11 state or a political subdivision of this state;

12 50. Effective July 1, 2005, sales of tangible personal property
13 or services to the Career Technology Student Organizations under the
14 direction and supervision of the Oklahoma Department of Career and
15 Technology Education;

16 51. Sales of tangible personal property to a public trust
17 having either a single city, town or county or multiple cities,
18 towns or counties or combination thereof as beneficiary or
19 beneficiaries or a nonprofit organization which is exempt from
20 taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
21 U.S.C., Section 501(c) (3) for the purpose of constructing
22 improvements to or expanding a hospital or nursing home owned and
23 operated by any such public trust or nonprofit entity prior to July
24 1, 2008, in counties with a population of less than one hundred

1 thousand (100,000) persons, according to the most recent Federal
2 Decennial Census. As used in this paragraph, "constructing
3 improvements to or expanding" shall not mean any expense for routine
4 maintenance or general repairs and shall require a project cost of
5 at least One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00). For purposes
6 of this paragraph, sales made to a contractor or subcontractor that
7 enters into a contractual relationship with a public trust or
8 nonprofit entity as described by this paragraph shall be considered
9 sales made to the public trust or nonprofit entity. The exemption
10 authorized by this paragraph shall be administered in the form of a
11 refund from the sales tax revenues apportioned pursuant to Section
12 1353 of this title and the vendor shall be required to collect the
13 sales tax otherwise applicable to the transaction. The purchaser
14 may apply for a refund of the sales tax paid in the manner
15 prescribed by this paragraph. Within thirty (30) days after the end
16 of each fiscal year, any purchaser that is entitled to make
17 application for a refund based upon the exempt treatment authorized
18 by this paragraph may file an application for refund of the sales
19 taxes paid during such preceding fiscal year. The Tax Commission
20 shall prescribe a form for purposes of making the application for
21 refund. The Tax Commission shall determine whether or not the total
22 amount of sales tax exemptions claimed by all purchasers is equal to
23 or less than Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000.00). If
24 such claims are less than or equal to that amount, the Tax

1 Commission shall make refunds to the purchasers in the full amount
2 of the documented and verified sales tax amounts. If such claims by
3 all purchasers are in excess of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
4 (\$650,000.00), the Tax Commission shall determine the amount of each
5 purchaser's claim, the total amount of all claims by all purchasers,
6 and the percentage each purchaser's claim amount bears to the total.
7 The resulting percentage determined for each purchaser shall be
8 multiplied by Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000.00) to
9 determine the amount of refundable sales tax to be paid to each
10 purchaser. The pro rata refund amount shall be the only method to
11 recover sales taxes paid during the preceding fiscal year and no
12 balance of any sales taxes paid on a pro rata basis shall be the
13 subject of any subsequent refund claim pursuant to this paragraph;

14 52. Effective July 1, 2006, sales of tangible personal property
15 or services to any organization which assists, trains, educates, and
16 provides housing for physically and mentally handicapped persons and
17 which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
18 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) and that
19 receives at least eighty-five percent (85%) of its annual budget
20 from state or federal funds. In order to receive the benefit of the
21 exemption authorized by this paragraph, the taxpayer shall be
22 required to make payment of the applicable sales tax at the time of
23 sale to the vendor in the manner otherwise required by law.
24 Notwithstanding any other provision of the Oklahoma Uniform Tax

1 Procedure Code to the contrary, the taxpayer shall be authorized to
2 file a claim for refund of sales taxes paid that qualify for the
3 exemption authorized by this paragraph for a period of one (1) year
4 after the date of the sale transaction. The taxpayer shall be
5 required to provide documentation as may be prescribed by the
6 Oklahoma Tax Commission in support of the refund claim. The total
7 amount of sales tax qualifying for exempt treatment pursuant to this
8 paragraph shall not exceed One Hundred Seventy-five Thousand Dollars
9 (\$175,000.00) each fiscal year. Claims for refund shall be
10 processed in the order in which such claims are received by the
11 Oklahoma Tax Commission. If a claim otherwise timely filed exceeds
12 the total amount of refunds payable for a fiscal year, such claim
13 shall be barred;

14 53. The first Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) each year of
15 sales of tangible personal property or services to, by, or for the
16 benefit of a qualified neighborhood watch organization that is
17 endorsed or supported by or working directly with a law enforcement
18 agency with jurisdiction in the area in which the neighborhood watch
19 organization is located. As used in this paragraph, "qualified
20 neighborhood watch organization" means an organization that is a
21 not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Oklahoma
22 that was created to help prevent criminal activity in an area
23 through community involvement and interaction with local law
24 enforcement and which is one of the first two thousand organizations

1 which makes application to the Oklahoma Tax Commission for the
2 exemption after March 29, 2006;

3 54. Sales of tangible personal property to a nonprofit
4 organization, exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
5 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), organized
6 primarily for the purpose of providing services to homeless persons
7 during the day and located in a metropolitan area with a population
8 in excess of five hundred thousand (500,000) persons according to
9 the latest Federal Decennial Census. The exemption authorized by
10 this paragraph shall be applicable to sales of tangible personal
11 property to a qualified entity occurring on or after January 1,
12 2005;

13 55. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by an
14 organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
15 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
16 501(c)(3) for events the principal purpose of which is to provide
17 funding for the preservation of wetlands and habitat for wild ducks;

18 56. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by an
19 organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
20 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
21 501(c)(3) for events the principal purpose of which is to provide
22 funding for the preservation and conservation of wild turkeys;

23 57. Sales of tangible personal property or services to an
24 organization which:

1 a. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of
2 the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
3 501(c)(3), and

4 b. is part of a network of community-based, autonomous
5 member organizations that meets the following
6 criteria:

7 (1) serves people with workplace disadvantages and
8 disabilities by providing job training and
9 employment services, as well as job placement
10 opportunities and post-employment support,

11 (2) has locations in the United States and at least
12 twenty other countries,

13 (3) collects donated clothing and household goods to
14 sell in retail stores and provides contract labor
15 services to business and government, and

16 (4) provides documentation to the Oklahoma Tax
17 Commission that over seventy-five percent (75%)
18 of its revenues are channeled into employment,
19 job training and placement programs and other
20 critical community services;

21 58. Sales of tickets made on or after September 21, 2005, and
22 complimentary or free tickets for admission issued on or after
23 September 21, 2005, which have a value equivalent to the charge that
24 would have otherwise been made, for admission to a professional

1 athletic event in which a team in the National Basketball
2 Association is a participant, which is held in a facility owned or
3 operated by a municipality, a county or a public trust of which a
4 municipality or a county is the sole beneficiary, and sales of
5 tickets made on or after July 1, 2007, and complimentary or free
6 tickets for admission issued on or after July 1, 2007, which have a
7 value equivalent to the charge that would have otherwise been made,
8 for admission to a professional athletic event in which a team in
9 the National Hockey League is a participant, which is held in a
10 facility owned or operated by a municipality, a county or a public
11 trust of which a municipality or a county is the sole beneficiary;

12 59. Sales of tickets for admission and complimentary or free
13 tickets for admission which have a value equivalent to the charge
14 that would have otherwise been made to a professional sporting event
15 involving ice hockey, baseball, basketball, football or arena
16 football, or soccer. As used in this paragraph, "professional
17 sporting event" means an organized athletic competition between
18 teams that are members of an organized league or association with
19 centralized management, other than a national league or national
20 association, that imposes requirements for participation in the
21 league upon the teams, the individual athletes or both, and which
22 uses a salary structure to compensate the athletes;

23 60. Sales of tickets for admission to an annual event sponsored
24 by an educational and charitable organization of women which is

1 exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal
2 Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) and has as its mission
3 promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and
4 improving the community through the effective action and leadership
5 of trained volunteers;

6 61. Sales of tangible personal property or services to an
7 organization, which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
8 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
9 501(c)(3), and which is itself a member of an organization which is
10 exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal
11 Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), if the membership
12 organization is primarily engaged in advancing the purposes of its
13 member organizations through fundraising, public awareness or other
14 efforts for the benefit of its member organizations, and if the
15 member organization is primarily engaged either in providing
16 educational services and programs concerning health-related diseases
17 and conditions to individuals suffering from such health-related
18 diseases and conditions or their caregivers and family members or
19 support to such individuals, or in health-related research as to
20 such diseases and conditions, or both. In order to qualify for the
21 exemption authorized by this paragraph, the member nonprofit
22 organization shall be required to provide proof to the Oklahoma Tax
23 Commission of its membership status in the membership organization;

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1 62. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by an
2 organization which is part of a national volunteer women's service
3 organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American
4 history and securing better education for children and which has at
5 least 168,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States;

6 63. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by a
7 YWCA or YMCA organization which is part of a national nonprofit
8 community service organization working to meet the health and social
9 service needs of its members across the United States;

10 64. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by a
11 veteran's organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
12 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
13 501(c)(19) and which is known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the
14 United States, Oklahoma Chapters;

15 65. Sales of boxes of food by a church or by an organization,
16 which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
17 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3). To qualify
18 under the provisions of this paragraph, the organization must be
19 organized for the primary purpose of feeding needy individuals or to
20 encourage volunteer service by requiring such service in order to
21 purchase food. These boxes shall only contain edible staple food
22 items;

23 66. Sales of tangible personal property or services to any
24 person with whom a church has duly entered into a construction

1 contract, necessary for carrying out such contract or to any
2 subcontractor to such a construction contract;

3 67. Sales of tangible personal property or services used
4 exclusively for charitable or educational purposes, to or by an
5 organization which:

6 a. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of
7 the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
8 501(c) (3),

9 b. has filed a Not-for-Profit Certificate of
10 Incorporation in this state, and

11 c. is organized for the purpose of:

12 (1) providing training and education to
13 developmentally disabled individuals,

14 (2) educating the community about the rights,
15 abilities and strengths of developmentally
16 disabled individuals, and

17 (3) promoting unity among developmentally disabled
18 individuals in their community and geographic
19 area;

20 68. Sales of tangible personal property or services to any
21 organization which is a shelter for abused, neglected, or abandoned
22 children and which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
23 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
24 501(c) (3); provided, until July 1, 2008, such exemption shall apply

1 only to eligible shelters for children from birth to age twelve (12)
2 and after July 1, 2008, such exemption shall apply to eligible
3 shelters for children from birth to age eighteen (18);

4 69. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a child
5 care center which is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Child Care
6 Facilities Licensing Act and which:

7 a. possesses a 3-star rating from the Department of Human
8 Services Reaching for the Stars Program or a national
9 accreditation, and

10 b. allows on-site universal prekindergarten education to
11 be provided to four-year-old children through a
12 contractual agreement with any public school or school
13 district.

14 For the purposes of this paragraph, sales made to any person,
15 firm, agency or entity that has entered previously into a
16 contractual relationship with a child care center for construction
17 and improvement of buildings and other structures owned by the child
18 care center and operated for educational purposes shall be
19 considered sales made to a child care center. Any such person,
20 firm, agency or entity making purchases on behalf of a child care
21 center shall certify, in writing, on the copy of the invoice or
22 sales ticket the nature of the purchase. Any such person, or person
23 acting on behalf of a firm, agency or entity making purchases on
24 behalf of a child care center in violation of this paragraph shall

1 be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be
2 fined an amount equal to double the amount of sales tax involved or
3 incarcerated for not more than sixty (60) days or both;

4 70. a. Sales of tangible personal property to a service
5 organization of mothers who have children who are
6 serving or who have served in the military, which
7 service organization is exempt from taxation pursuant
8 to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
9 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(19) and which is known as the
10 Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc. The exemption
11 provided by this paragraph shall only apply to the
12 purchase of tangible personal property actually sent
13 to United States military personnel overseas who are
14 serving in a combat zone and not to any other tangible
15 personal property purchased by the organization.
16 Provided, this exemption shall not apply to any sales
17 tax levied by a city, town, county, or any other
18 jurisdiction in this state.

19 b. The exemption authorized by this paragraph shall be
20 administered in the form of a refund from the sales
21 tax revenues apportioned pursuant to Section 1353 of
22 this title, and the vendor shall be required to
23 collect the sales tax otherwise applicable to the
24 transaction. The purchaser may apply for a refund of

1 the state sales tax paid in the manner prescribed by
2 this paragraph. Within sixty (60) days after the end
3 of each calendar quarter, any purchaser that is
4 entitled to make application for a refund based upon
5 the exempt treatment authorized by this paragraph may
6 file an application for refund of the state sales
7 taxes paid during such preceding calendar quarter.
8 The Tax Commission shall prescribe a form for purposes
9 of making the application for refund.

10 c. A purchaser who applies for a refund pursuant to this
11 paragraph shall certify that the items were actually
12 sent to military personnel overseas in a combat zone.
13 Any purchaser that applies for a refund for the
14 purchase of items that are not authorized for
15 exemption under this paragraph shall be subject to a
16 penalty in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars
17 (\$500.00);

18 71. Sales of food and snack items to or by an organization
19 which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
20 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), whose primary
21 and principal purpose is providing funding for scholarships in the
22 medical field;

23 72. Sales of tangible personal property or services for use
24 solely on construction projects for organizations which are exempt

1 from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue
2 Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) and whose purpose is providing
3 end-of-life care and access to hospice services to low-income
4 individuals who live in a facility owned by the organization. The
5 exemption provided by this paragraph applies to sales to the
6 organization as well as to sales to any person with whom the
7 organization has duly entered into a construction contract,
8 necessary for carrying out such contract or to any subcontractor to
9 such a construction contract. Any person making purchases on behalf
10 of such organization shall certify, in writing, on the copy of the
11 invoice or sales ticket to be retained by the vendor that the
12 purchases are made for and on behalf of such organization and set
13 out the name of such organization. Any person who wrongfully or
14 erroneously certifies that purchases are for any of the above-named
15 organizations or who otherwise violates this section shall be guilty
16 of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined an
17 amount equal to double the amount of sales tax involved or
18 incarcerated for not more than sixty (60) days or both;

19 73. Sales of tickets for admission to events held by
20 organizations exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
21 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) that are
22 organized for the purpose of supporting general hospitals licensed
23 by the State Department of Health;

24 74. Sales of tangible personal property or services:

1 a. to a foundation which is exempt from taxation pursuant
2 to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
3 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) and which raises tax-
4 deductible contributions in support of a wide range of
5 firearms-related public interest activities of the
6 National Rifle Association of America and other
7 organizations that defend and foster Second Amendment
8 rights, and

9 b. to or by a grassroots fundraising program for sales
10 related to events to raise funds for a foundation
11 meeting the qualifications of subparagraph a of this
12 paragraph;

13 75. Sales by an organization or entity which is exempt from
14 taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
15 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) which are related to a fundraising event
16 sponsored by the organization or entity when the event does not
17 exceed any five (5) consecutive days and when the sales are not in
18 the organization's or the entity's regular course of business.
19 Provided, the exemption provided in this paragraph shall be limited
20 to tickets sold for admittance to the fundraising event and items
21 which were donated to the organization or entity for sale at the
22 event;

23 76. Effective November 1, 2017, sales of tangible personal
24 property or services to an organization which is exempt from

1 taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
2 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) and operates as a collaborative model
3 which connects community agencies in one location to serve
4 individuals and families affected by violence and where victims have
5 access to services and advocacy at no cost to the victim;

6 77. Effective July 1, 2018, sales of tangible personal property
7 or services to or by an association which is exempt from taxation
8 pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
9 Section 501(c)(19) and which is known as the National Guard
10 Association of Oklahoma;

11 78. Effective July 1, 2018, sales of tangible personal property
12 or services to or by an association which is exempt from taxation
13 pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
14 Section 501(c)(4) and which is known as the Marine Corps League of
15 Oklahoma;

16 79. Sales of tangible personal property or services to the
17 American Legion, whether the purchase is made by the entity
18 chartered by the United States Congress or is an entity organized
19 under the laws of this or another state pursuant to the authority of
20 the national American Legion organization;

21 80. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by an
22 organization which is:

23 a. exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the
24 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3),

- 1 b. verified with a letter from the MIT Fab Foundation as
2 an official member of the Fab Lab Network in
3 compliance with the Fab Charter, and
- 4 c. able to provide documentation that its primary and
5 principal purpose is to provide community access to
6 advanced 21st century manufacturing and digital
7 fabrication tools for science, technology,
8 engineering, art and math (STEAM) learning skills,
9 developing inventions, creating and sustaining
10 businesses and producing personalized products;

11 81. Effective November 1, 2021, sales of tangible personal
12 property or services used solely for construction and remodeling
13 projects to an organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant
14 to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section
15 501(c) (3), and which meets the following requirements:

- 16 a. its primary purpose is to construct or remodel and
17 sell affordable housing and provide homeownership
18 education to residents of Oklahoma that have an income
19 that is below one hundred percent (100%) of the Family
20 Median Income guidelines as defined by the U.S.
21 Department of Housing and Urban Development,
- 22 b. it conducts its activities in a manner that serves
23 public or charitable purposes, rather than commercial
24 purposes,

1 c. it receives funding and revenue and charges fees in a
2 manner that does not incentivize it or its employees
3 to act other than in the best interests of its
4 clients, and

5 d. it compensates its employees in a manner that does not
6 incentivize employees to act other than in the best
7 interests of its clients;

8 82. Effective November 1, 2021, sales of tangible personal
9 property or services to a nonprofit entity, organized pursuant to
10 Oklahoma law before January 1, 2022, exempt from federal income
11 taxation pursuant to Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of
12 1986, as amended, the principal functions of which are to provide
13 assistance to natural persons following a disaster, with program
14 emphasis on repair or restoration to single-family residential
15 dwellings or the construction of a replacement single-family
16 residential dwelling. As used in this paragraph, "disaster" means
17 damage to property with or without accompanying injury to persons
18 from heavy rain, high winds, tornadic winds, drought, wildfire,
19 snow, ice, geologic disturbances, explosions, chemical accidents or
20 spills and other events causing damage to property on a large scale.
21 For purposes of this paragraph, an entity that expended at least
22 seventy-five percent (75%) of its funds on the restoration to
23 single-family housing following a disaster including related general
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1 and administrative expenses, shall be eligible for the exemption
2 authorized by this paragraph;

3 83. Effective November 1, 2021, through December 31, 2024,
4 sales of tangible personal property or services to a museum that:

5 a. operates as a part of an organization which is exempt
6 from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the

7 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3),

8 b. is not accredited by the American Alliance of Museums,
9 and

10 c. operates on an annual budget of less than One Million
11 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00);

12 84. Until July 1, 2022, sales of tangible personal property or
13 services for use in a clinical practice or medical facility operated
14 by an organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the
15 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States, 26
16 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which has entered into a joint
17 operating agreement with the University Hospitals Trust created
18 pursuant to Section 3224 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The
19 exemption provided by this paragraph shall be limited to the
20 purchase of tangible personal property and services for use in
21 clinical practices or medical facilities acquired or leased by the
22 organization from the University Hospitals Authority, University
23 Hospitals Trust, or the University of Oklahoma on or after June 1,
24 2021; ~~and~~

1 85. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a
2 nonprofit entity, organized pursuant to Oklahoma law before January
3 1, 2019, exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to Section
4 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the
5 principal functions of which are to provide assistance to natural
6 persons following a disaster, with program emphasis on repair or
7 restoration to single-family residential dwellings or the
8 construction of a replacement single-family residential dwelling.
9 For purposes of this paragraph, an entity operated exclusively for
10 charitable and educational purposes through the coordination of
11 volunteers for the disaster recovery of homes (as derived from Part
12 III, Statement of Program Services, of Internal Revenue Service Form
13 990) and offers its services free of charge to disaster survivors
14 statewide who are low income with no or limited means of recovery on
15 their own for the restoration to single-family housing following a
16 disaster including related general and administrative expenses,
17 shall be eligible for the exemption authorized by this paragraph.
18 The exemption provided by this paragraph shall only be applicable to
19 sales made on or after the effective date of this act. As used in
20 this paragraph, "disaster" means damage to property with or without
21 accompanying injury to persons from heavy rain, high winds, tornadic
22 winds, drought, wildfire, snow, ice, geologic disturbances,
23 explosions, chemical accidents or spills and other events causing
24 damage to property on a large scale; and

1 86. Sales to a nonprofit entity, organized pursuant to Oklahoma
2 law, and exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the
3 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which has been authorized
4 to conduct its nonprofit activity for a period of at least seventy-
5 five (75) years, the primary purpose of which is to provide
6 Christmas gifts, including but not limited to toys, books and
7 clothing, for the benefit of underprivileged children, from infants
8 through grade twelve (12), by fundraising, a significant amount of
9 which is derived from the sale of tangible personal property using
10 either purchased or donated items, but which includes donations from
11 individuals and either for profit or nonprofit entities, monetary or
12 in kind donations, and which performs such other functions as
13 authorized by the laws governing its formation and its articles of
14 organization and by-laws.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

16 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
17 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
18 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
19 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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