SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 477

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

by amending section 3a (MCL 205.93a), as amended by 1998 PA 366.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3a. The use or consumption of the following services
- 2 is taxed under this act in the same manner as tangible personal
- 3 property is taxed under this act:
- 4 (a) Intrastate telephone, telegraph, leased wire, and other
- 5 similar communications, including local telephone exchange and
- 6 long distance telephone service that both originates and termi-
- 7 nates in Michigan, and telegraph, private line, and teletype-
- 8 writer service between places in Michigan, but excluding tele-
- 9 phone service by coin-operated installations, switchboards,
- 10 concentrator-identifiers, interoffice circuitry and their

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- 1 accessories for telephone answering service, and directory
- 2 advertising proceeds.
- 3 (b) Rooms or lodging furnished by hotelkeepers, motel opera-
- 4 tors, and other persons furnishing accommodations that are avail-
- 5 able to the public on the basis of a commercial and business
- 6 enterprise, irrespective of whether or not membership is required
- 7 for use of the accommodations, except rooms and lodging rented
- 8 for a continuous period of more than 1 month. As used in this
- 9 act, "hotel" or "motel" means a building or group of buildings in
- 10 which the public may obtain accommodations for a consideration,
- 11 including, without limitation, such establishments as inns,
- 12 motels, tourist homes, tourist houses or courts, lodging houses,
- 13 rooming houses, nudist camps, apartment hotels, resort lodges and
- 14 cabins, camps operated by other than nonprofit organizations but
- 15 not including those licensed under 1973 PA 116, MCL 722.111 to
- 16 722.128, and any other building or group of buildings in which
- 17 accommodations are available to the public, except accommodations
- 18 rented for a continuous period of more than 1 month and accommo-
- 19 dations furnished by hospitals or nursing homes.
- 20 (c) Interstate telephone communications that either origi-
- 21 nate or terminate in this state and for which the charge for the
- 22 service is billed to a Michigan service address or phone number
- 23 by the provider either within or outside this state including
- 24 calls between this state and any place within or without the
- 25 United States of America outside of this state. However, if the
- 26 tax under this act is levied at a rate of 6%, this subdivision
- 27 does not apply to a wide area telecommunication service or a

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 1 similar type service, an 800 prefix service or similar type
 2 service, an interstate private network and related usage charges,
 3 or an international call either inbound or outbound.
        (d) After December 31, 1998, the THE laundering or clean-
 5 ing of textiles under a sale, rental, or service agreement with a
 6 term of at least 5 days. This subdivision does not apply to the
 7 laundering or cleaning of textiles used by a restaurant or retail
 8 sales business. As used in this subdivision, "restaurant" means
 9 a food service establishment defined and licensed under the
10 public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211 FOOD
11 LAW OF 2000, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 TO 289.8111.
        (E) IF CHARGES FOR INTRASTATE OR INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICA-
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13 TIONS AND OTHER SERVICES NOT SUBJECT TO THE TAX UNDER THIS ACT
14 ARE AGGREGATED WITH AND NOT SEPARATELY STATED FROM CHARGES FOR
15 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES THAT ARE SUBJECT TO THE TAX UNDER
16 THIS ACT, THEN THE NONTAXABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER NON-
17 TAXABLE SERVICES ARE SUBJECT TO THE TAX UNDER THIS ACT UNLESS THE
18 SERVICE PROVIDER CAN REASONABLY IDENTIFY CHARGES FOR SERVICES NOT
19 SUBJECT TO THE TAX UNDER THIS ACT FROM ITS BOOKS AND RECORDS THAT
20 ARE KEPT IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS.
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        (F) IF CHARGES FOR INTRASTATE OR INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICA-
22 TIONS AND OTHER SERVICES NOT SUBJECT TO THE TAX UNDER THIS ACT
23 ARE AGGREGATED WITH AND NOT SEPARATELY STATED FROM TELECOMMUNICA-
24 TIONS SERVICES THAT ARE SUBJECT TO THE TAX UNDER THIS ACT, A CUS-
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25 TOMER MAY NOT RELY UPON THE NONTAXABILITY OF

26 TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER SERVICES UNLESS THE CUSTOMER'S

27 SERVICE PROVIDER SEPARATELY STATES THE CHARGES FOR NONTAXABLE

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- 1 TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER NONTAXABLE SERVICES FROM TAXABLE
- 2 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES OR THE SERVICE PROVIDER ELECTS, AFTER
- 3 RECEIVING A WRITTEN REQUEST FROM THE CUSTOMER IN THE FORM
- 4 REQUIRED BY THE PROVIDER, TO PROVIDE VERIFIABLE DATA BASED UPON
- 5 THE SERVICE PROVIDER'S BOOKS AND RECORDS THAT ARE KEPT IN THE
- 6 REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS THAT REASONABLY IDENTIFY THE NONTAX-
- 7 ABLE SERVICES.