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## TAX/TAXATION

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Provides with respect to exemptions from state sales tax. (Item Nos. 7-35) (7/1/16)
Current law taxes purchases of tangible personal property and certain services under 4 state sales tax impositions: 1\%, 2\%, $1.97 \%$ and $1 \%$ for a total of $4.97 \%$, though not all items are taxed at the maximum rate. Items specifically exempt from taxation through 6/30/18 are listed under R.S. 47:302 (2\%) and 47:321.1 (1\%). Various taxable transactions will be exempt from state sales tax beginning 7/1/18.

Proposed law exempts certain transactions from 3\% of state sales taxes imposed under R.S. 47:302 (2\%) and 47:321.1 ( $1 \%$ ) by adding these items to the exemption list of each imposition. The exemption will begin $7 / 1 / 16$. A list of call items in the bill is included on page 2 of the note. Certain items will remain taxable at $1 \%$ as they were prior to the 2016 First Extraordinary Session.

| EXPENDITURES | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State Gen. Fd. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Agy. Self-Gen. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Ded./Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Local Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| REVENUES | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
| State Gen. Fd. | DECREASE | DECREASE | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Agy. Self-Gen. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Ded./Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Local Funds | DECREASE | DECREASE | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Annual Total |  |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

## EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

## REVENUE EXPLANATION

The bill provides an exemption from state sales tax, and to the extent that these transactions occur and are exempt from state sales tax on their eligible purchases made on or after $7 / 1 / 16$, state receipts will be less than they would otherwise be. Reporting associated with this exemption is included in the aggregate "other" category on the sales tax form which does not provide specific data reflecting these particular transactions individually. However, the cumulative effect of changes to taxes reported in the "other" category may be substantial depending upon the number and type of similar exemptions enacted this session.

To the extent transactions are exempted from taxation, revenue collections are lower than they would otherwise be, even if specific foregone revenue amounts are not known. The effect of bills such as this are incorporated by utilizing forecasts at the lower end of the range of possible forecasts, and the actual lower collections history becomes the basis for future revenue forecasts.

The bill will have no impact in FY 19 and beyond as these purchases are already exempt at that time under current law.




