

SENATE BILL NO. 318

BY SENATOR REESE

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1517(B)(1) and the introductory paragraph of (2), to enact
3 R.S. 47:1517(G) and 1517.3, and to repeal R.S. 47:1517(B)(3) and (4) and (C) and
4 1517.1(B)(4), relative to the tax exemption budget; to provide for the publication of
5 the tax exemption budget; to provide for the contents of the tax exemption budget;
6 to require parish collectors to report certain information; to provide relative to the
7 categorization of tax exemptions; to repeal assessment requirements; to repeal
8 certain reporting requirements on tax incentives; to provide for the creation and
9 requirements of the business tax benefit report; to provide for an effective date; and
10 to provide for related matters.

11 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

12 Section 1. R.S. 47:1517(B)(1) and the introductory paragraph of (2) are hereby
13 amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:1517(G) and 1517.3 are hereby enacted to read as
14 follows:

15 §1517. Tax exemption budget

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17 B.(1) The annual tax exemption budget shall be published on the ~~LaTrac~~
18 **Department of Revenue's** website, ~~or any subsequent database that may replace the~~
19 ~~LaTrac system~~, and shall include the following:

20 (a) Each tax exemption; **and** its statutory citation, ~~and its purpose.~~

21 (b) The revenue loss to the state caused by each tax exemption for the three
22 preceding years, the estimated revenue loss to the state caused by each tax exemption
23 for the current fiscal year, and the estimated revenue loss to the state caused by each
24 tax exemption for the ensuing fiscal year.

25 ~~(c) The estimated cost of administering and implementing each tax exemption~~
26 ~~for the three preceding fiscal years, the current fiscal year, and the ensuing fiscal~~
27 ~~year.~~

1 use taxes it administers in accordance with requirements in Paragraph (B)(1)
 2 of this Section. The tax exemption budget required by this Subsection shall be
 3 prepared annually and submitted to the governor and the legislature no later
 4 than March first of each year, in the same manner and form as required for the
 5 tax exemption budget prepared by the Department of Revenue pursuant to this
 6 Section.

7 (2)(a) Each collector shall submit the information required by this
 8 Subsection to the Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board, which shall
 9 compile, review, and transmit the information to the governor and the
 10 legislature.

11 (b) The Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board may adopt rules and
 12 establish procedures necessary to implement the provisions of this Subsection,
 13 including standardized reporting formats and deadlines for submission by local
 14 collectors.

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16 §1517.3. Business tax benefit report

17 A. No later than the first day of September of each year, the secretary of
 18 the Department of Revenue shall prepare and submit to the governor and the
 19 legislature a business tax benefit report in the manner set forth in this Section.

20 B. The business tax benefit report shall include a listing of each tax
 21 exemption as defined in R.S. 47:1517(E) that provides tax savings or a financial
 22 benefit to businesses. The report shall not include tax treatments required by
 23 federal law, including those relating to interstate commerce, or provisions that
 24 are part of the general tax structure of the tax system rather than enacted to
 25 provide a targeted tax preference.

26 C. The information shall be displayed in a manner that identifies all of
 27 the following:

28 (1) The industry group by North American Industry Classification
 29 System sector.

30 (2) The number of taxpayers by industry.

1 (3) The total tax burden by industry group by tax type before the
2 exemption.

3 (4) The total value to each industry group for each exemption.

4 (5) The total tax burden by industry group by tax type after the
5 exemption.

6 D. The items required by this Section shall not include confidential
7 information.

8 Section 2. R.S. 47:1517(B)(3) and (4) and (C) and 1517.1(B)(4) are hereby repealed
9 in their entirety.

10 Section 3. The first business tax benefit report shall be due on September 1, 2026.

11 Section 4. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
12 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
13 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
14 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
15 effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____