

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
House Bill No. 225 By Representative St. Germain**

June 28, 2007

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 225 by Representative St. Germain, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of four Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Marionneaux and adopted by the Senate on June 24, 2007, be rejected.
2. That the following amendments to the reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "To" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert the following:

"amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(ii)(bb)(I) and to enact R.S. 47:305.56, relative to sales and use tax; to authorize an annual "sales tax"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "exemption;" insert "to authorize a sales and use tax exemption for certain manufacturers;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and insert the following:

"R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(ii)(bb)(I) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:305.56 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§301. Definitions

As used in this Chapter the following words, terms, and phrases have the meaning ascribed to them in this Section, unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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(3)(a)

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(i)(i)

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(ii) For purposes of this Subparagraph, the following definitions shall apply:

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(bb) "Manufacturer" means:

(I) A person whose principal activity is manufacturing, as defined in this Subparagraph, and who is assigned by the Louisiana Department of Labor a North American Industrial Classification System code within the agricultural, forestry, fishing, and hunting Sector 11, ~~or~~ the manufacturing Sectors 31-33 as they existed in 2002, or industry code 423930 as a recyclable material merchant wholesaler engaged in manufacturing activities, which must include shredding facilities, as determined by the secretary of the Department of Revenue.

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AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 15, change "Friday" to "Saturday"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, delete lines 26 through 28 in their entirety and on page 4, delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Section 3. This Act shall become effective on June 30, 2007."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative T. Taylor Townsend

Senator Robert Adley

Representative John Alario, Jr.

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