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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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## 21st-Century Economy Sales Tax Act

- FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to distribute the sales and use tax revenue on the sale or use of certain digital products to the Education Trust Fund; applying the sales and use tax to a sale or use of certain digital products; providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a certain service; defining certain terms; repealing an obsolete provision; and generally relating to applying the sales and use tax to digital products.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 10 Article Tax General
- 11 Section 2–1302.1, 11–101, 11–102(a), and 11–217(b)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 14 BY adding to
- 15 Article Tax General
- 16 Section 11–221(d) and (e)
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 20 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 21 Article Tax General
- 22 2-1302.1.
- [(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, after] **AFTER** making the distributions required under §§ 2–1301 and 2–1302 of this subtitle, of the sales and use tax

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 collected:
- 2 (1) on short-term vehicle rentals under § 11–104(c) of this article the 3 Comptroller shall distribute:
- 4 **[**(1)**] (I)** 45% to the Transportation Trust Fund established under  $\S 3-216$  5 of the Transportation Article; and
- 6 [(2)] (II) the remainder to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 7 Trust Fund; AND
- 8 (2) ON THE SALE OR USE OF A DIGITAL PRODUCT OR CODE UNDER
  9 TITLE 11 OF THIS ARTICLE THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISTRIBUTE 100% TO THE
  10 EDUCATION TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 9–1A–30 OF THE STATE
  11 GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.
- [(b) For each fiscal year beginning on or before July 1, 2015, after the distribution required under subsection (a)(1) of this section, the Comptroller shall distribute the remainder of the sales and use tax collected on short—term vehicle rentals under § 11–104(c) of this article as follows:
- 16 (1) to the General Fund of the State:
- 17 (i) \$9,249,199 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014; and
- 18 (ii) \$8,639,632 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015; and
- 19 (2) the remainder to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust 20 Fund.]
- 21 11–101.
- 22 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.
- 23 (a-1) "Accommodation" means a right to occupy a room or lodgings as a transient 24 guest.
- 25 (a-2) (1) "Accommodations intermediary" means a person, other than an accommodations provider, who facilitates the sale or use of an accommodation and charges a buyer the taxable price for the accommodation.
- 28 (2) For purposes of this subsection, a person shall be considered to facilitate 29 the sale or use of an accommodation if the person brokers, coordinates, or in any other way 30 arranges for the sale or use of an accommodation by a buyer.
- 31 (a–3) "Accommodations provider" means a person that owns, operates, or manages

- an accommodation and makes the accommodation available for sale or use to a buyer. 1 2 (a-4) "Booking transaction" means any transaction in which there is a retail sale of 3 an accommodation. 4 (b) "Buyer" means a person who: 5 (1) acquires tangible personal property in a sale; [or] 6 (2) obtains a taxable service in a sale; OR **(3)** 7 ACQUIRES A DIGITAL PRODUCT IN A SALE. 8 "Cleaning of a commercial or industrial building" means the following services 9 performed to a commercial or industrial building: 10 (1) floor, carpet, wall, window, ceiling, and exterior cleaning; and 11 (2)janitorial services. 12 (c-1) "Detective" means a person who is authorized to provide private detective 13 services under Title 13 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article. "DIGITAL CODE" MEANS A CODE THAT: (C-2) (1) 14 15 **(I)** MAY BE OBTAINED: 16 1. IN A TANGIBLE FORM, SUCH AS A CARD; OR 17 2. THROUGH E-MAIL; AND 18 (II)PROVIDES A BUYER WITH A RIGHT TO OBTAIN ONE OR MORE 19 SPECIFIED DIGITAL PRODUCTS. "DIGITAL CODE" DOES NOT INCLUDE A GIFT CERTIFICATE OR 2021GIFT CARD WITH A MONETARY VALUE THAT IS REDEEMABLE FOR A SPECIFIED 22 DIGITAL PRODUCT. "DIGITAL PRODUCT" MEANS A PRODUCT THAT IS OBTAINED 23 24ELECTRONICALLY BY THE BUYER AND DELIVERED BY MEANS OTHER THAN 25 TANGIBLE STORAGE MEDIA THROUGH THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY HAVING 26 ELECTRICAL, DIGITAL, MAGNETIC, WIRELESS, OPTICAL, ELECTROMAGNETIC, OR
  - (2) "DIGITAL PRODUCT" INCLUDES:

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SIMILAR CAPABILITIES.

| 1 | <b>(I)</b> A         | A WORK THAT RESULTS FROM THE FIXATION OF A SERIES OF |
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| 2 | SOUNDS THAT ARE TRAN | SFERRED ELECTRONICALLY, INCLUDING:                   |
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- 1. PRERECORDED OR LIVE MUSIC OR PERFORMANCES,
  4 READINGS OF BOOKS OR OTHER WRITTEN MATERIALS, AND SPEECHES; AND
- 5 2. AUDIO GREETING CARDS SENT BY E-MAIL;
- 6 (II) A DIGITIZED SOUND FILE, SUCH AS A RING TONE, THAT IS
  7 DOWNLOADED ONTO A DEVICE AND MAY BE USED TO ALERT THE USER OF THE
  8 DEVICE WITH RESPECT TO A COMMUNICATION;
- 9 (III) A SERIES OF RELATED IMAGES THAT, WHEN SHOWN IN
  10 SUCCESSION, IMPART AN IMPRESSION OF MOTION, TOGETHER WITH ANY
  11 ACCOMPANYING SOUNDS THAT ARE TRANSFERRED ELECTRONICALLY, INCLUDING
  12 MOTION PICTURES, MUSICAL VIDEOS, NEWS AND ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMS, LIVE
  13 EVENTS, VIDEO GREETING CARDS SENT BY E-MAIL, AND VIDEO OR ELECTRONIC
  14 GAMES;
- 15 (IV) A BOOK, GENERALLY KNOWN AS AN "E-BOOK", THAT IS 16 TRANSFERRED ELECTRONICALLY; AND
- 17 (V) A NEWSPAPER, MAGAZINE, PERIODICAL, CHAT ROOM 18 DISCUSSION, WEBLOG, OR ANY OTHER SIMILAR PRODUCT THAT IS TRANSFERRED 19 ELECTRONICALLY.
- (C-4) "END USER" MEANS ANY PERSON OTHER THAN A PERSON WHO RECEIVES BY CONTRACT A PRODUCT TRANSFERRED ELECTRONICALLY FOR FURTHER COMMERCIAL BROADCAST, REBROADCAST, TRANSMISSION, RETRANSMISSION, LICENSING, RELICENSING, DISTRIBUTION, REDISTRIBUTION, OR EXHIBITION OF THE PRODUCT, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, TO ANOTHER PERSON.
- 25 [(c-2)] (C-5) (1) "Marketplace facilitator" means a person that:
- 26 (i) facilitates a retail sale by a marketplace seller by listing or 27 advertising for sale in a marketplace tangible personal property; and
- (ii) regardless of whether the person receives compensation or other consideration in exchange for the person's services, directly or indirectly through agreements with third parties, collects payment from a buyer and transmits the payment to the marketplace seller.
  - (2) "Marketplace facilitator" does not include:

| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4 | (i) a platform or forum that exclusively provides Internet advertising services, including listing products for sale, if the platform or forum does not also engage, directly or indirectly, in collecting payment from a buyer and transmitting that payment to the vendor; |
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| 5<br>6<br>7      | (ii) a payment processor business appointed by a vendor to handle payment transactions from clients, including credit cards and debit cards, whose only activity with respect to marketplace sales is to handle transactions between two parties;                            |
| 8<br>9           | (iii) a peer–to–peer car sharing program, as defined in $\S$ 19–520 of the Insurance Article; or   |
| 10<br>11<br>12   | (iv) a delivery service company that delivers tangible personal property on behalf of a marketplace seller that is engaged in the business of a retail vendor and holds a license issued under Subtitle 7 of this title.   |
| 13<br>14<br>15   | [(c-3)] (C-6) "Marketplace seller" means a person that makes a retail sale or sale for use through a physical or electronic marketplace operated by a marketplace facilitator.   |
| 16               | (C-7) (1) "MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAMMING SERVICE" INCLUDES:   |
| 17               | (I) CABLE SERVICE, AS DEFINED IN 47 U.S.C. § 522(6);   |
| 18<br>19         | (II) DIRECT-TO-HOME SATELLITE SERVICES, AS DEFINED IN 47 U.S.C. § 303(V); AND  |
| 20               | (III) PAY-PER-VIEW TELEVISION SERVICE.   |
| 21<br>22         | (2) "MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAMMING SERVICE" DOES NOT INCLUDE DIGITAL AUDIO-VISUAL WORKS.  |
| 23               | (d) "Person" includes:   |
| 24<br>25         | (1) this State or a political subdivision, unit, or instrumentality of this State;   |
| 26<br>27         | (2) another state or a political subdivision, unit, or instrumentality of that state; and  |
| 28<br>29         | (3) a unit or instrumentality of a political subdivision of this State or of another state.  |
| 30<br>31         | (e) "Prepaid telephone calling arrangement" means the right to use telecommunications services, paid for in advance, that enables the origination of calls using   |

a production activity.

| 1                          | an access numb  | er or autl                | norization code, whether manually or electronically dialed.   |
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| 2                          | (f) (1)   | "Prod                     | luction activity" means:  |
| 3<br>4                     | assembling, ma  | (i)<br>inufacturi         | except for processing food or a beverage by a retail food vendor, ng, processing, or refining tangible personal property for resale;  |
| 5<br>6                     | activity;   | (ii)                      | generating electricity for sale or for use in another production  |
| 7<br>8                     | rental; or  | (iii)                     | 1. laundering, maintaining, or preparing textile products for   |
| 9<br>10<br>11<br>12        | providing the taxable service of commercial cleaning or laundering of textiles for a buyer who is engaged in a business that requires the recurring service of commercial cleaning or |                           |   |
| 13                         |   | (iv)                      | producing or repairing production machinery or equipment;   |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17       | required by applicable provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the Public Health Service Act, and the Virus–Serum–Toxin Act, and the regulations adopted              |                           |   |
| 18                         |   | (vi)                      | providing for the safety of employees; or   |
| 19                         |   | (vii)                     | providing for quality control.  |
| 20                         | (2)   | "Prod                     | luction activity" does not include:   |
| 21<br>22                   | servicing or rep  | (i)<br>pairing pro        | servicing or repairing tangible personal property, except for eduction machinery or equipment;  |
| 23<br>24<br>25<br>26<br>27 | tangible person laundering of to  | nal proper<br>extiles for | maintaining tangible personal property other than textile production machinery and equipment, except for maintaining rty in providing the taxable service of commercial cleaning or a buyer who is engaged in a business that requires the recurring aning or laundering of the textiles; |
| 28                         |   | (iii)                     | providing for the comfort or health of employees; or  |
| 29                         |   | (iv)                      | storing the finished product.   |
| 30                         | (g) "P  | roduction                 | machinery or equipment" means machinery or equipment used in  |

| 1                                       | (h)                   | (1)     | "Reta           | il sale" means the sale of:  |
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| 2                                       |                       |         | (i)             | tangible personal property; [or]   |
| 3                                       |                       |         | (ii)            | a taxable service; OR  |
| 4                                       |                       |         | (III)           | A DIGITAL PRODUCT.   |
| 5                                       |                       | (2)     | "Reta           | il sale" includes:   |
| 6<br>7                                  | of real estat         | te by a | (i)<br>builde   | a sale of tangible personal property for use or resale in the form r, contractor, or landowner; [and]  |
| 8<br>9<br>10<br>11                      |                       | and p   |                 | except as provided in paragraph (3)(i) of this subsection, use of<br>ty as facilities, tools, tooling, machinery, or equipment, including<br>s, even if the buyer intends to transfer title to the property before |
| 12<br>13<br>14                          | OF PERMAREND USER;    |         | (III)<br>USE O  | A SALE OF A DIGITAL PRODUCT THAT IS SOLD WITH RIGHTS R SOLD WITH RIGHTS OF LESS THAN PERMANENT USE TO AN   |
| 15<br>16<br>17                          | OF USE CO             |         |                 | A SALE OF A DIGITAL PRODUCT THAT IS SOLD WITH RIGHTS ON CONTINUED PAYMENT BY THE SUBSCRIBER OR BUYER TO  |
| 18<br>19<br>20                          | PURCHASE<br>TO AN END |         |                 | A SALE OF SUBSCRIPTION TO, ACCESS TO, OR THE AL CODE FOR RECEIVING OR ACCESSING DIGITAL PRODUCTS   |
| 21                                      |                       | (3)     | "Reta           | il sale" does not include:   |
| 22<br>23                                | facilities, to        | ols, to | (i)<br>oling, n | a transfer of title to tangible personal property after its use as nachinery, or equipment, including dies, molds, and patterns, if:   |
| $\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 25 \end{array}$ | terms of a v          | vritter | n contra        | 1. at the time of purchase, the buyer is obligated, under the ct, to make the transfer; and  |
| 26<br>27                                | to the perso          | n for v | whom t          | 2. the transfer is made for the same or greater consideration he buyer manufactures goods or performs work;  |
| 28<br>29                                | the buyer ir          | ntends  | (ii)<br>to:     | a sale of tangible personal property <b>OR A DIGITAL PRODUCT</b> if  |
| 30                                      |                       |         |                 | 1. resell the tangible personal property OR DIGITAL  |

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1 **PRODUCT** in the form that the buyer receives or is to receive the property **OR PRODUCT**; 2 2. use or incorporate the tangible personal property OR 3 **DIGITAL PRODUCT** in a production activity as a material or part of other tangible personal 4 property OR ANOTHER DIGITAL PRODUCT to be produced for sale; or 5 3. transfer the tangible personal property OR DIGITAL 6 **PRODUCT** as a part of a taxable service transaction; or 7 (iii) a sale of a taxable service if the buyer intends to resell the taxable 8 service in the form that the buyer receives or is to receive the service. 9 (i) "Sale" means a transaction for a consideration whereby: (1) 10 title or possession of property is transferred or is to be (i) 11 transferred absolutely or conditionally by any means, including by lease, rental, royalty 12 agreement, or grant of a license for use; or 13 (ii) a person performs a service for another person. 14 "Sale" does not include a transaction whereby an employee performs a (2)15 service for the employee's employer. 16 "Sale for use" means a sale in which tangible personal property, A DIGITAL 17 **PRODUCT,** or a taxable service that is consumed, possessed, stored, or used in the State is 18 acquired. 19 "Short-term rental" means the temporary use of a short-term rental unit to 20 provide accommodation to transient guests for lodging purposes in exchange for 21consideration. 22"Short-term rental platform" means an Internet-based digital entity that: 23 (1) advertises the availability of short-term rental units for rent; and 24receives compensation for facilitating reservations or processing 25booking transactions on behalf of the owner, operator, or manager of a short-term rental 26unit. 27 "Short-term rental unit" means a residential dwelling unit or a portion

"Short-term rental unit" includes a single-family house or dwelling, a

31 (k) (1) "Tangible personal property" means:

multifamily house or dwelling, an apartment, a condominium, or a cooperative.

of the unit used for short-term rentals.

| 1                    |                     | (i)                | corporeal personal property of any nature;  |
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| 2                    |                     | (ii)               | an accommodation; or  |
| 3                    |                     | (iii)              | a short–term rental.  |
| 4                    | (2)                 | "Tang              | gible personal property" includes:  |
| 5                    |                     | (i)                | farm equipment;   |
| 6<br>7               | regardless of the p | (ii)<br>ourpose    | wall—to—wall carpeting that is installed into real estate, e, method, or permanency of its installation; and  |
| 8<br>9               | or natural gas.     | (iii)              | coal, electricity, oil, nuclear fuel assemblies, steam, and artificial  |
| 10<br>11<br>12<br>13 |                     | l, deliv<br>d comp | able price" means the value, in money, of the consideration of any vered, payable, or deliverable by a buyer to a vendor in the plete performance of a sale without deduction for any expense or f:   |
| 14                   |                     | (i)                | any labor or service rendered;  |
| 15                   |                     | (ii)               | any material used; or   |
| 16                   |                     | (iii)              | any property sold.  |
| 17<br>18<br>19<br>20 | or manufactures     | ed by a<br>the pr  | able price" includes, for tangible personal property <b>OR A DIGITAL</b> sale for use in the State by the person who assembles, fabricates, operty <b>OR PRODUCT</b> , only the price of the raw materials and ed in the property <b>OR PRODUCT</b> . |
| 21                   | (3)                 | "Taxa              | able price" does not include:   |
| 22<br>23             | a separate item of  | (i)<br>the co      | a charge that is made in connection with a sale and is stated as nsideration for:   |
| 24<br>25<br>26       |                     |                    | 1. a delivery, freight, or other transportation service for buyer by the vendor or by another person acting for the vendor, a service is a taxable service;   |
| 27<br>28             | extended to the bu  | ıyer;              | 2. a finance charge, interest, or similar charge for credit   |
| 29                   |                     |                    | 3. a labor or service for application or installation;  |

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| 1<br>2<br>3                | 4. a mandatory gratuity or service charge in the nature of a tip for serving food or beverage to a group of 10 or fewer individuals for consumption on the premises of the vendor;   |
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| 4                          | 5. a professional service;   |
| 5                          | 6. a tax:  |
| 6<br>7                     | A. imposed by a county on the sale of coal, electricity, oil, nuclear fuel assemblies, steam, or artificial or natural gas;  |
| 8<br>9                     | B. imposed under § 3–302(a) of the Natural Resources Article, as a surcharge on electricity, and added to an electric bill;  |
| 10<br>11<br>12             | C. imposed under §§ 6–201 through 6–203 of the Tax – Property Article, on tangible personal property subject to a lease that is for an initial period that exceeds 1 year and is noncancellable except for cause; or   |
| 13<br>14                   | D. imposed under $\S$ 4–102 of this article on the gross receipts derived from an admissions and amusement charge;   |
| 15<br>16                   | 7. any service for the operation of equipment used for the production of audio, video, or film recordings; or  |
| 17<br>18                   | 8. reimbursement of incidental expenses paid to a third party and incurred in connection with providing a taxable detective service;   |
| 19<br>20                   | (ii) the value of a used component or part (core value) received from a purchaser of the following remanufactured truck parts:   |
| 21                         | 1. an air brake system;  |
| 22                         | 2. an engine;  |
| 23                         | 3. a rear axle carrier; or   |
| 24                         | 4. a transmission; or  |
| 25<br>26<br>27<br>28<br>29 | (iii) a charge for a nontaxable service that is made in connection with a sale of a taxable communication service, even if the nontaxable charges are aggregated with and not separately stated from the taxable charges for communications services, if the vendor can reasonably identify charges not subject to tax from its books and records that are kept in the regular course of business. |
| 30<br>31                   | (4) "Taxable price" includes all sales and charges, including insurance, freight handling, equipment and supplies, delivery and pickup, cellular telephone, and  |

other accessories, but not including sales of motor fuel subject to the motor fuel tax, made

| 1                    | in connection with:  |  |  |
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| 2 3                  | (i) a short-term vehicle rental, as defined in § 11–104(c) of this subtitle; or  |  |  |
| 4<br>5<br>6          | (ii) a shared motor vehicle used for peer-to-peer car sharing and made available on a peer-to-peer car sharing program, as defined in § 19–520 of the Insurance Article.   |  |  |
| 7<br>8<br>9<br>10    | (5) "Taxable price" includes, for the sale or use of an accommodation facilitated by an accommodations intermediary or a short–term rental platform, the full amount of the consideration paid by a buyer for the sale or use of an accommodation, but not including any tax that is remitted to a taxing authority. |  |  |
| 11<br>12<br>13<br>14 | accommodation facilitated by an accommodations intermediary or a short-term rental platform, a commission paid by an accommodations provider to a person after facilitating  |  |  |
| 15                   | (m) "Taxable service" means:   |  |  |
| 16<br>17             | (1) fabrication, printing, or production of tangible personal property <b>OR A DIGITAL PRODUCT</b> by special order;   |  |  |
| 18<br>19<br>20       | (2) commercial cleaning or laundering of textiles for a buyer who is engaged in a business that requires the recurring service of commercial cleaning or laundering of the textiles;   |  |  |
| 21                   | (3) cleaning of a commercial or industrial building;   |  |  |
| 22                   | (4) cellular telephone or other mobile telecommunications service;   |  |  |
| 23                   | (5) "900", "976", "915", and other "900"–type telecommunications service;  |  |  |
| 24<br>25             | (6) custom calling service provided in connection with basic telephone service;  |  |  |
| 26                   | (7) a telephone answering service;   |  |  |
| 27<br>28             | (8) [pay per view television service;] MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAMMING SERVICE;   |  |  |
| 29                   | (9) credit reporting;  |  |  |
| 30                   | (10) a security service, including:  |  |  |
| 31                   | (i) a detective, guard, or armored car service; and  |  |  |

| 1              | (ii) a security systems service;  |
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| 2<br>3<br>4    | (11) a transportation service for transmission, distribution, or delivery of electricity or natural gas, if the sale or use of the electricity or natural gas is subject to the sales and use tax;  |
| 5              | (12) a prepaid telephone calling arrangement; or  |
| 6<br>7<br>8    | (13) the privilege given to an individual under § 4–1102 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article to consume wine that is not purchased from or provided by a restaurant club, or hotel.  |
| 9<br>10<br>11  | (m-1) (1) "Telephone answering service" means a service provided to a customer that consists exclusively of the taking of messages, either by an automated system or by a live operator, and transmitting the messages to the customer.                             |
| 12<br>13<br>14 | (2) "Telephone answering service" does not include the physical act of answering a telephone on behalf of a customer, if the act is incidental to and less than 5% of the service provider's total gross receipts in a calendar year.                               |
| 15<br>16       | (n) (1) "Use" means an exercise of a right or power to use, consume, possess, or store that is acquired by a sale for use of:   |
| 17             | (i) tangible personal property; [or]  |
| 18             | (ii) a taxable service; OR  |
| 19             | (III) A DIGITAL PRODUCT.  |
| 20<br>21<br>22 | (2) "Use" includes an exercise of a right or power to use, consume, possess, or store that is acquired by a sale for use of tangible personal property <b>OR A DIGITAL PRODUCT</b> :  |
| 23<br>24       | (i) for use or resale in the form of real estate by a builder, contractor, or landowner; or   |
| 25<br>26<br>27 | (ii) except as provided in paragraph (3)(i) of this subsection, as facilities, tools, tooling, machinery, or equipment, including dies, molds, and patterns, even if the buyer intends to transfer title to the property <b>OR PRODUCT</b> before or after that use |
| 28             | (3) "Use" does not include:   |
| 29<br>30       | (i) a transfer of title to tangible personal property after its use as facilities, tools, tooling, machinery, or equipment, including dies, molds, and patterns, if:  |

| $\frac{1}{2}$  | terms of a written   | contra        | 1. at the time of purchase, the buyer is obligated, under the act, to make the transfer; and   |
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| 3<br>4         | to the person for w  | hom t         | 2. the transfer is made for the same or greater consideration he buyer manufactures goods or performs work;  |
| 5<br>6         | OR A DIGITAL PR  | (ii)<br>ODUC' | an exercise of a right or power over tangible personal property racquired by a sale for use if the buyer intends to:   |
| 7<br>8         | PRODUCT in the f   | form th       | 1. resell the tangible personal property <b>OR DIGITAL</b> at the buyer receives or is to receive the property <b>OR PRODUCT</b> ;   |
| 9<br>10<br>11  |  |               | 2. use or incorporate the tangible personal property <b>OR</b> production activity as a material or part of other tangible personal <b>DIGITAL PRODUCT</b> to be produced for sale; or |
| 12<br>13       | PRODUCT as part  | of a ta       | 3. transfer the tangible personal property <b>OR DIGITAL</b> exable service transaction; [or]  |
| 14<br>15<br>16 | a sale for use if the buyer intends to resell the taxable service in the form that the buyer |               |  |
| 17<br>18       | TO RECEIVE OR A  | (IV)          | AN EXERCISE OF A RIGHT OR POWER OVER A DIGITAL CODE S A DIGITAL PRODUCT; OR  |
| 19<br>20       | PRODUCT ACQUI  | (V)<br>RED B  | AN EXERCISE OF A RIGHT OR POWER OVER A DIGITAL Y A SALE FOR USE IF THE BUYER IS NOT AN END USER.   |
| 21             | (o) (1)  | "Vene         | dor" means a person who:   |
| 22<br>23       | § 11–701 of this tit   | (i)<br>tle;   | engages in the business of an out-of-state vendor, as defined in   |
| 24<br>25       | of this title;   | (ii)          | engages in the business of a retail vendor, as defined in $\S~11-701$  |
| 26             |  | (iii)         | holds a special license issued under § 11–707 of this title;   |
| 27             |  | (iv)          | is an accommodations intermediary;   |
| 28             |  | (v)           | is a short-term rental platform;   |
|                |  |               |  |
| 29             |  | (vi)          | engages in the business of a marketplace facilitator; or   |

- 1 (2) "Vendor" includes, for an out-of-state vendor, a salesman, 2 representative, peddler, or canvasser whom the Comptroller, for the efficient 3 administration of this title, elects to treat as an agent jointly responsible with the dealer, 4 distributor, employer, or supervisor:
- 5 (i) under whom the agent operates; or
- 6 (ii) from whom the agent obtains the tangible personal property, A
  7 **DIGITAL PRODUCT,** or taxable service for sale.
- 8 11–102.
- 9 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title, a tax is imposed on:
- 10 (1) a retail sale in the State; and
- 11 (2) a use, in the State, of tangible personal property, A DIGITAL PRODUCT,
- 12 or a taxable service.
- 13 11–217.
- 14 (b) The sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of tangible personal property
  15 **OR A DIGITAL PRODUCT** for use or consumption in research and development.
- 16 11–221.
- 17 (D) A RETAIL SALE OF A DIGITAL PRODUCT SUBJECT TO TAX UNDER THIS
- 18 TITLE DOES NOT INCLUDE A RETAIL SALE THAT IS SUBJECT TO TAX IN ACCORDANCE
- 19 WITH ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE.
- 20 (E) THE SALES AND USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY TO A RETAIL SALE OF A
- 21 MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAMMING SERVICE THAT IS SUBJECT TO A FRANCHISE
- 22 FEE DESCRIBED IN 47 U.S.C. § 542(G) OR OTHER TAX, FEE, OR MONETARY
- 23 ASSESSMENT OF ANY KIND IMPOSED BY THIS STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
- 24 THIS STATE ON A MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAMMING PROVIDER OR
- 25 SUBSCRIBER, OR BOTH, SOLELY BECAUSE OF THEIR STATUS AS A MULTICHANNEL
- 26 VIDEO PROGRAMMING PROVIDER OR SUBSCRIBER.
- 27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
- 28 1, 2020.