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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Sales and Use Tax - Machinery or Equipment Used Predominantly in a Production**  
3 **Activity**

4 FOR the purpose of altering an exemption under the sales and use tax for certain  
5 machinery and equipment used in a production activity to require that the  
6 machinery or equipment be predominantly used in a production activity and to  
7 eliminate a requirement that the machinery or equipment not be used in certain  
8 activities.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article - Tax - General  
11 Section 11-210(b)(1)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (1988 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Tax - General**

17 11-210.

18 (b) The sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of:

19 (1) machinery or equipment, a replacement part of machinery or  
20 equipment, or a service for the assembly or fabrication of machinery orequipment or  
21 replacement part that:

22 (i) is capitalized to claim depreciation, using acceptableand  
23 consistent accounting standards;

24 [(ii) is not used in administration, management, sales, or any other  
25 nonoperational activity;]

26 [(iii)] (II) at any stage of operation from the handling of raw material or  
27 components on the production activity site to the time the product is ready for delivery or  
28 storage, is used PREDOMINANTLY in a production activity; and

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1                            [(iv)] (III) except for a foundation to support other machinery or  
2 equipment or for an item required to conform to an air or water pollution law and  
3 normally considered part of real property, is not installed so that it becomes real  
4 property; or

5                    SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
6 July 1, 1996.