## **HOUSE BILL 298**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

Committee Departs Foundable with an endurants

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 22, 1999

CHAPTER\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Sales and Use Tax - Tax-Free Weeks

- 3 FOR the purpose of designating certain weeks in certain calendar years to be tax-free
- 4 weeks during which certain sales and use tax exemptions will apply; defining a
- 5 certain term; providing for certain exemptions from the sales and use tax during
- 6 certain tax-free weeks; and generally relating to the designation of certain
- 7 tax-free weeks in the State.
- 8 BY adding to
- 9 Article Tax General
- 10 Section 11-227
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)
- 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- $14\,$  MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## 1 Article - Tax - General

- 2 11-227.
- 3 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "ACCESSORY ITEMS" INCLUDES JEWELRY, WATCHES,
- 4 WATCHBANDS, HANDBAGS, HANDKERCHIEFS, UMBRELLAS, SCARVES, TIES,
- 5 HEADBANDS, AND BELT BUCKLES.
- 6 (B) (1) THE WEEK FROM AUGUST 7, 1999 THROUGH AUGUST 13, 1999 SHALL
- 7 BE A TAX-FREE WEEK FOR BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING IN MARYLAND DURING
- 8 WHICH THE EXEMPTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL APPLY.
- 9 (2) DURING THE TAX-FREE WEEK FOR BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING
- 10 ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SALES AND USE
- 11 TAX DOES NOT APPLY TO THE SALE OF ANY ITEM OF CLOTHING, EXCLUDING
- 12 FOOTWEAR OR ACCESSORY ITEMS, IF THE TAXABLE PRICE OF THE ITEM OF
- 13 CLOTHING IS LESS THAN \$100.
- 14 (C) (1) THE WEEK FROM JANUARY 23, 2000 THROUGH JANUARY 29, 2000
- 15 SHALL BE A TAX-FREE WEEK FOR WINTER LODGING IN MARYLAND DURING WHICH
- 16 THE EXEMPTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL APPLY.
- 17 (2) THE SALES AND USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY TO A SALE OF A RIGHT TO
- 18 OCCUPY A ROOM OR LODGINGS AS A TRANSIENT DURING THE TAX-FREE WEEK FOR
- 19 WINTER LODGING IN MARYLAND ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
- 20 SUBSECTION IF THE TAXABLE PRICE FOR THE ROOM IS LESS THAN \$100 PER DAY.
- 21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 22 July 1, 1999.