## By: Senator Hafer

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

## Sales and Use Tax - Higher Education Supplies

3 FOR the purpose of designating a certain week in each calendar year to be a tax-free
4 week during which a certain sales and use tax exemption will apply for certain 5 higher education supplies; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the 6 designation of a certain tax-free week in the State.

7 BY adding to
8 Article - Tax - General
9 Section 11-229
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)
12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
Article - Tax - General
15 11-229.
16 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "CLASS SUPPLY":
17 (1) INCLUDES ITEMS OTHER THAN TEXTBOOKS USED TO COMPLETE
18 WORK FOR A CLASS OFFERED AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AN
19 INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, OR A PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOL, AS
20 DEFINED IN § 10-101 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE; AND
(2) DOES NOT INCLUDE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT.
(B) (1) THE WEEK THAT BEGINS ON THE LAST THURSDAY IN AUGUST AND

23 ENDS ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY IN SEPTEMBER IN EACH YEAR SHALL BE A
24 TAX-FREE WEEK FOR HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPLIES IN MARYLAND DURING WHICH
25 THE EXEMPTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL APPLY.
(2) DURING THE TAX-FREE WEEK FOR HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPLIES 2 ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SALES AND USE
3 TAX DOES NOT APPLY TO THE SALE OF ANY TEXTBOOK OR CLASS SUPPLY, IF THE 4 TAXABLE PRICE OF THE TEXTBOOK DOES NOT EXCEED $\$ 150$ OR THE TAXABLE PRICE 5 OF THE CLASS SUPPLY DOES NOT EXCEED \$100.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 July 1, 2002.

