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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Sales and Use Tax - Production Activity - Taxable Laundering Services**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "production activity" under the sales and
4 use tax to include certain laundering, maintaining, or preparing of textile
5 products in providing a certain taxable service; and generally relating to the
6 sales and use taxation of certain commercial laundering services.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Tax - General
9 Section 11-101(f)(1)(iii) and (2)(ii)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13 Article - Tax - General
14 Section 11-101(h)(3)(ii)2., (m)(2), and (n)(3)(ii)2. and 11-210(b)(1)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Tax - General**

20 11-101.

21 (f) (1) "Production activity" means:

22 (iii) 1. laundering, maintaining, or preparing textile products for
23 rental; OR

24 2. LAUNDERING, MAINTAINING, OR PREPARING TEXTILE
25 PRODUCTS IN PROVIDING THE TAXABLE SERVICE OF COMMERCIAL CLEANING OR
26 LAUNDERING OF TEXTILES FOR A BUYER WHO IS ENGAGED IN A BUSINESS THAT

1 REQUIRES THE RECURRING SERVICE OF COMMERCIAL CLEANING OR LAUNDERING
2 OF THE TEXTILES;

3 (2) "Production activity" does not include:

4 (ii) maintaining tangible personal property[, except] OTHER THAN
5 textile products for rental and production machinery and equipment, EXCEPT FOR
6 MAINTAINING TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY IN PROVIDING THE TAXABLE
7 SERVICE OF COMMERCIAL CLEANING OR LAUNDERING OF TEXTILES FOR A BUYER
8 WHO IS ENGAGED IN A BUSINESS THAT REQUIRES THE RECURRING SERVICE OF
9 COMMERCIAL CLEANING OR LAUNDERING OF THE TEXTILES;

10 (h) (3) "Retail sale" does not include:

11 (ii) a sale of tangible personal property if the buyer intends to:

12 2. use or incorporate the tangible personal property in a
13 production activity as a material or part of other tangible personal property to be
14 produced for sale; or

15 (m) "Taxable service" means:

16 (2) commercial cleaning or laundering of textiles for a buyer who is
17 engaged in a business that requires the recurring service of commercial cleaning or
18 laundering of the textiles;

19 (n) (3) "Use" does not include:

20 (ii) an exercise of a right or power over tangible personal property
21 acquired by a sale for use if the buyer intends to:

22 2. use or incorporate the tangible personal property in a
23 production activity as a material or part of other tangible personal property to be
24 produced for sale; or

25 11-210.

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

27 (1) tangible personal property used directly and predominantly in a
28 production activity at any stage of operation on the production activity site from the
29 handling of raw material or components to the movement of the finished product, if
30 the tangible personal property is not installed so that it becomes real property;

31 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
32 effect July 1, 2006.