SENATE BILL 488

By: Senators Griffith, Jackson, Kelley, Elfreth, Washington, Corderman, Sydnor, Zucker, Guzzone, Lam, and King

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CHAPTER _____

1  AN ACT concerning

2  Sales and Use Tax – Medical Devices and Products – Exemption

3  FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of certain
4  thermometers, pulse oximeters, and blood pressure monitors, respirators, and
5  diabetic care products; and generally relating to a sales and use tax exemption for
6  medical devices and products.

7  BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8  Article – Tax – General
9  Section 11–211(b)(18) and (19)
10  Annotated Code of Maryland
11  (2016 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12  BY adding to
13  Article – Tax – General
14  Section 11–211(b)(20) through (22) (24)
15  Annotated Code of Maryland
16  (2016 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19  Article – Tax – General

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
Strikeout indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by
amendment.
The sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of:

(18) nicotine patches, nicotine gum, or any other product intended for use as an aid in tobacco use cessation and approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for that purpose; [or]

(19) tangible personal property that is manufactured for the purpose of initiating, supporting, or sustaining breast-feeding, including breast pumps, breast pump kits, nipple enhancers, breast shields, breast shells, supplemental nursing systems, softcup feeders, feeding tubes, breast milk storage bags, periodontal syringes, finger feeders, haberman feeders, and purified lanolin;

(20) A MEDICAL OR CLINICAL THERMOMETER;

(21) A PULSE OXIMETER; OR

(22) A BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR;

(23) A N95, CHINA KN95, JAPAN DS, KOREA 1ST CLASS, AS/NZS P2, OR EUROPEAN FFP2 FILTERING FACEPIECE RESPIRATOR; OR

(24) DIABETIC CARE ITEMS, INCLUDING INSULIN, GLUCOSE TABLETS, GLUCOSE DRINKS, GLUCOSE GELS, BLOOD AND URINE KETONE METERS AND SUPPLIES, INSULIN PUMPS, INSULIN PUMP INFUSION SETS, INSULIN PUMP RESERVOIRS OR CARTRIDGES, CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORS AND RELATED SUPPLIES, SYRINGES, INSULIN INJECTION DEVICES, INSULIN PENS, INSULIN PEN NEEDLES, LANCETS AND LANCET DEVICES, AND TESTING STRIPS FOR MEASURING BLOOD SUGAR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.