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# 55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

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#### AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; REDUCING THE RATES OF THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX AND THE COMPENSATING TAX; DEFINING "DISCLOSED AGENCY" IN THE GROSS RECEIPTS AND COMPENSATING TAX ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 7-9-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978, Chapter 46, Section 1, as amended by Laws 2021, Chapter 65, Section 11 and by Laws 2021, Chapter 66, Section 1) is amended to read:

- "7-9-3. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act:
- "buying" or "selling" means a transfer of property for consideration or the performance of service for consideration;
- "department" means the taxation and revenue .221539.4GLG

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| employee of  | the | department  | exercising  | authority | lawfully |
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- C. "digital good" means a digital product delivered electronically, including software, music, photography, video, reading material, an application and a ringtone;
- D. "disclosed agency" means an agent receiving money on behalf of a principal if the agent or the agent's principal disclosed the agency relationship to a third party from which the agent receives money, or if the third party otherwise has actual knowledge that the agent receives money on behalf of the principal;
- $[\frac{\partial \cdot}{\partial \cdot}]$   $\underline{E.}$  "financial corporation" means a savings and loan association or an incorporated savings and loan company, trust company, mortgage banking company, consumer finance company or other financial corporation;
- $[E_{ullet}]$   $F_{ullet}$  "initial use" or "initially used" means the first employment for the intended purpose and does not include the following activities:
- (1) observation of tests conducted by the performer of services;
- (2) participation in progress reviews, briefings, consultations and conferences conducted by the performer of services;
- (3) review of preliminary drafts, drawings and .221539.4GLG

other materials prepared by the performer of services;

- (4) inspection of preliminary prototypes developed by the performer of services; or
  - (5) similar activities;
- $[F_{\bullet}]$   $G_{\bullet}$  "lease" or "leasing" means an arrangement whereby, for a consideration, the owner of property grants another person the exclusive right to possess and use the property for a definite term;
- [G.] H. "licensing" or "license" means an arrangement whereby, for a consideration, the owner of property grants another person a revocable, non-exclusive right to use the property;
- [H.] I. "local option gross receipts tax" means a tax authorized to be imposed by a county or municipality upon a taxpayer's gross receipts and required to be collected by the department at the same time and in the same manner as the gross receipts tax;
- [1.] J. "manufactured home" means a movable or portable housing structure for human occupancy that exceeds either a width of eight feet or a length of forty feet constructed to be towed on its own chassis and designed to be installed with or without a permanent foundation;
- $[J_{\bullet}]$   $\underline{K}_{\bullet}$  "manufacturing" means combining or processing components or materials to increase their value for sale in the ordinary course of business, but does not include .221539.4GLG

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construction services; farming; electric power generation; processing of natural resources, including hydrocarbons; or the processing or preparation of meals for immediate consumption;

 $[\frac{K_{\bullet}}{L_{\bullet}}]$  "manufacturing service" means the service of combining or processing components or materials owned by another, but does not include construction services; farming; electric power generation; processing of natural resources, including hydrocarbons; or the processing or preparation of meals for immediate consumption;

 $[\underbrace{\text{H.}}]$  M. "marketplace provider" means a person who facilitates the sale, lease or license of tangible personal property or services or licenses for use of real property on a marketplace seller's behalf, or on the marketplace provider's own behalf, by:

- (1) listing or advertising the sale, lease or license, by any means, whether physical or electronic, including by catalog, internet website or television or radio broadcast: and
- either directly or indirectly, through agreements or arrangements with third parties collecting payment from the customer and transmitting that payment to the seller, regardless of whether the marketplace provider receives compensation or other consideration in exchange for the marketplace provider's services;
- [M.] N. "marketplace seller" means a person who .221539.4GLG

sells, leases or licenses tangible personal property or services or who licenses the use of real property through a marketplace provider;

### [N.] 0. "person" means:

- (1) an individual, estate, trust, receiver, cooperative association, club, corporation, company, firm, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, joint venture, syndicate or other entity, including any gas, water or electric utility owned or operated by a county, municipality or other political subdivision of the state; or
- (2) a national, federal, state, Indian or other governmental unit or subdivision, or an agency, department or instrumentality of any of the foregoing;

# [0.] P. "property" means:

- (1) real property;
- (2) tangible personal property, including electricity and manufactured homes;
- (3) licenses, including licenses of digital goods, but not including the licenses of copyrights, trademarks or patents; and

# (4) franchises;

 $[P_{\bullet}]$  Q. "research and development services" means an activity engaged in for other persons for consideration, for one or more of the following purposes:

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- (1) advancing basic knowledge in a recognized field of natural science:
- (2) advancing technology in a field of technical endeavor;
- (3) developing a new or improved product, process or system with new or improved function, performance, reliability or quality, whether or not the new or improved product, process or system is offered for sale, lease or other transfer;
- (4) developing new uses or applications for an existing product, process or system, whether or not the new use or application is offered as the rationale for purchase, lease or other transfer of the product, process or system;
- (5) developing analytical or survey activities incorporating technology review, application, trade-off study, modeling, simulation, conceptual design or similar activities, whether or not offered for sale, lease or other transfer; or
- (6) designing and developing prototypes or integrating systems incorporating the advances, developments or improvements included in Paragraphs (1) through (5) of this subsection;
- $[Q_{ullet}]$  R. "secretary" means the secretary of taxation and revenue or the secretary's delegate;
- [R+] <u>S.</u> "service" means all activities engaged in for other persons for a consideration, which activities involve .221539.4GLG

| predominantly the performance of a service as distinguished    |
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| from selling or leasing property. "Service" includes           |
| activities performed by a person for its members or            |
| shareholders. In determining what is a service, the intended   |
| use, principal objective or ultimate objective of the          |
| contracting parties shall not be controlling. "Service"        |
| includes construction activities and all tangible personal     |
| property that will become an ingredient or component part of a |
| construction project. That tangible personal property retains  |
| its character as tangible personal property until it is        |
| installed as an ingredient or component part of a construction |
| project in New Mexico. Sales of tangible personal property     |
| that will become an ingredient or component part of a          |
| construction project to persons engaged in the construction    |
| business are sales of tangible personal property; and          |

[S.] T. "use" or "using" includes use, consumption or storage other than storage for subsequent sale in the ordinary course of business or for use solely outside this state."

SECTION 2. Section 7-9-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1966, Chapter 47, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

"7-9-4. IMPOSITION AND RATE OF TAX--DENOMINATION AS "GROSS RECEIPTS TAX".--

A. For the privilege of engaging in business, an excise tax equal to [five and one-eighth] four and .221539.4GLG

<u>seven-eighths</u> percent of gross receipts is imposed on any person engaging in business in New Mexico.

B. The tax imposed by this section shall be referred to as the "gross receipts tax"."

SECTION 3. Section 7-9-7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1966, Chapter 47, Section 7, as amended) is amended to read:

"7-9-7. IMPOSITION AND RATE OF TAX--DENOMINATION AS "COMPENSATING TAX".--

A. For the privilege of making taxable use of tangible personal property in New Mexico, there is imposed on the person using the property an excise tax equal to [five and one-eighth] four and seven-eighths percent of the value of tangible property that was:

- (1) manufactured by the person using the property in the state; or
- (2) acquired in a transaction for which the seller's receipts were not subject to the gross receipts tax.
- B. For the purpose of Subsection A of this section, value of tangible personal property shall be the adjusted basis of the property for federal income tax purposes determined as of the time of acquisition or introduction into this state or of conversion of the property to taxable use, whichever is later. If no adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes is established for the property, a reasonable value of the property shall be used.

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C. For the privilege of making taxable use of a license or franchise in New Mexico, there is imposed on the person using the license or franchise an excise tax equal to the rate provided in Subsection A of this section against the value of the license or franchise in its use in this state. The department by rule, ruling or instruction shall fairly apportion, where appropriate, the value of a license or franchise to its value in use in New Mexico. The tax shall apply only to the value of a license or franchise used in New Mexico where the license or franchise was acquired in a transaction the receipts from which were not subject to the gross receipts tax.

- D. For the privilege of making taxable use of services in New Mexico, there is imposed on the person using the services an excise tax equal to the rate provided in Subsection A of this section against the value of the services at the time the services were performed or the product of the service was acquired. For use of services to be a taxable use pursuant to this subsection, the services shall have been acquired in a transaction the receipts from which were not subject to the gross receipts tax.
- E. For purposes of this section, receipts are not subject to the gross receipts tax if the person responsible for the gross receipts tax on those receipts lacked nexus in New Mexico or the receipts were exempt or allowed to be deducted .221539.4GLG

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pursuant to the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act.

- The tax imposed by this section shall be referred to as the "compensating tax".
- As used in this section, "taxable use" means use by a person who acquires tangible personal property, a license, a franchise or a service, and the use of which would not have qualified for an exemption or deduction pursuant to the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act."

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2022.

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