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4	A BILL
5	TO BE ENTITLED
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8	Relating to aviation jet fuel; to amend Section
9	40-17-239, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide for refunds of
10	excise tax paid on purchases of jet fuel made by air carriers
11	conducting scheduled all-cargo operations engaged in
12	international flights; to amend Section 40-23-4, Code of
13	Alabama 1975, to exempt from sales tax purchases of aviation
14	jet fuel made by air carriers conducting scheduled all-cargo
15	operations engaged in international flights; and to amend
16	Section 40-23-62, Code of Alabama 1975, to exempt from use tax
17	the use, storage or consumption of aviation jet fuel made by
18	air carriers conducting scheduled all-cargo operations engaged
19	in international flights.
20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
21	Section 1. Sections 40-17-329, $49-23-4$ $40-23-4$ , and
22	40-23-62, Code of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as
23	follows:
24	<b>"</b> §40-17-329.
25	(a) Unless otherwise provided for in this
26	subsection, sales of motor fuel to the following are exempt

from the tax levied by subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325 and shall not be paid at the rack:

- which proof of export is available in the form of a terminal issued destination state shipping document that is a. exported by a supplier who is licensed in the destination state or b. is sold by a supplier to a licensed exporter for immediate export to a state for which the applicable destination state motor fuel excise tax has been collected by the supplier who is licensed to remit the tax to the destination state. This exemption shall not apply to any motor fuel which is transported and delivered outside this state in the motor fuel supply tank of a highway vehicle.
  - (2) All sales of dyed diesel fuel.
  - (3) Gasoline blendstocks when sold to a. a licensed supplier or b. a person who will not be using the blendstocks in the manufacture of gasoline or as a motor fuel, as evidenced by the exemption certificate prescribed under regulations promulgated under Section 4081, Title 26 of the United States Code.
  - (4) All motor fuel sold by a licensed supplier or licensed permissive supplier to an exempt agency electing to be licensed under Section 40-17-332.
  - (5) Motor fuel that is delivered by a licensed supplier from one terminal to another terminal when ownership in the motor fuel has not changed, or by a licensed supplier

from a terminal to a refinery operated by the licensed supplier.

(6) Aviation jet fuel sold by a licensed supplier to an air carrier that purchases jet fuel in a Foreign Trade Zone located within this state and uses the jet fuel to propel aircraft powered by jet or turbine engines operated in scheduled all-cargo operations being conducted on international flights or in international commerce. For the purposes of this subdivision, the following words or terms shall be defined and interpreted as follows:

a. Air Carrier. Any person, firm, corporation, or entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to provide air transportation.

b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by an air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger carrying flight, except passengers as specified in Section 121.583 (a) or 135.85 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, as amended.

c. International Commerce. Any air carrier engaged in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or hire on international flights.

d. International Flights. Any air carrier conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point within the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia, including any interim stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin or destination of

the aircraft is outside the United States and the District of Columbia.

- (b) Having first paid the tax owed under this article, a licensed distributor shall have the right to apply to the department on a monthly basis for a refund of the taxes paid on the gallons sold by that licensed distributor to the exempt agencies listed under subsection (e), provided the exempt agency has elected to obtain a license under Section 40-17-332.
- (c) Having first paid the tax owed under this article, an exporter shall have the right to apply to the department on a monthly basis for a refund of the taxes paid to this state on the gallons of motor fuel that are ultimately exported by the exporter. The department will require the exporter to provide proof of payment of the applicable destination state excise taxes before issuing a refund.
- (d) Having first paid the tax owed under this article, a licensed aviation fuel purchaser shall have the right to apply to the department on a monthly basis for a refund of the taxes paid to this state on the gallons of jet fuel sold to an a certified certificated or licensed air carrier that purchases jet fuel in a foreign trade zone located within this state and uses the jet fuel to propel aircraft powered by jet or turbine engines operated in scheduled all-cargo operations being conducted on international flights or in international commerce. For the

purposes of this subsection, the following words or terms
shall be defined and interpreted as follows:

- (1) AIR CARRIER. Any person, firm, corporation, or entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to provide air transportation.
  - (2) ALL-CARGO OPERATIONS. Any flight conducted by an air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger carrying flight, except passengers as specified in Section 121.583 (a) or 135.85 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, as amended.
  - (3) INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE. Any air carrier engaged in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or hire on international flights.
  - (4) INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS. Any air carrier conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point within the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia, including any interim stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States and the District of Columbia.
  - (e) Having first paid the tax to its vendor, the following entities shall have the right to apply to the department for a refund on a quarterly basis for any purchases of motor fuel:
- (1) The United States government or any agency thereof.

- 1 (2) Any county governing body of this state.
- 2 (3) Any incorporated municipal governing body of this state.
- 4 (4) City and county boards of education of this state.

- (5) The Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, the Department of Youth Services school district, and private and church school systems as defined in Section 16-28-1, and which offer essentially the same curriculum as offered in grades K-12 in the public schools of this state.
- entities listed in subsection (e) occurs at a fixed retail pump available to the general public and is charged to a credit card issued to the exempt entity, the issuer of the card, having billed the exempt entity without the tax, may apply on a quarterly basis for a refund of the motor fuel excise taxes by submitting the application and supporting documentation as prescribed by the department.
- (g) Having first paid the tax, a licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state shall have the right to apply to the department for a refund on a quarterly basis for any purchases of jet fuel used to propel aircraft. For the purposes of this subsection, the words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to have all of the following criteria:
- (1) There originates from the location 15 or more flight departures and five or more different first-stop

destinations five days per week for six or more months during the calendar year; and

- (2) Passengers and/or property are regularly exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a different certificated or licensed air carrier.
- (h) End users who first pay the tax levied by subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325 on all gallons of diesel fuel used in designated off-road vehicles, other off-road equipment, or for other off-road use may apply to the department for a refund on a quarterly basis.
- (i) End users who first pay the tax levied by subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325 on gallons of gasoline blendstocks not used in the manufacture of gasoline or as a motor fuel may apply to the department for a refund on a quarterly basis.
- (j) Tax paid on motor fuel that (1) is lost or destroyed as a direct result of a sudden and unexpected casualty, or (2) becomes unsalable or unusable as highway fuel due to such things as the contamination by dye or mixture of gasoline and diesel shall be refundable.
- (k) Tax paid on transmix not used as a motor fuel or that is delivered to a refinery for further processing shall be refundable, with the person so using the transmix being eligible to file for the refund on a quarterly basis.
- (1) Tax paid on motor fuel within the bulk transfer system may be refunded upon sufficient proof that (1) a second tax had been paid pursuant to Section 40-17-325 or (2) the

fuel was exported to another state or country. The party
paying the second tax or exporting the fuel may file for a
refund on a monthly basis.

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- (a) There are exempted from the provisions of this division and from the computation of the amount of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under this division the following:
- (1) The gross proceeds of the sales of lubricating oil and gasoline as defined in Sections 40-17-30 and 40-17-170 and the gross proceeds from those sales of lubricating oil destined for out-of-state use which are transacted in a manner whereby an out-of-state purchaser takes delivery of such oil at a distributor's plant within this state and transports it out-of-state, which are otherwise taxed.
- (2) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of fertilizer when used for agricultural purposes. The word "fertilizer" shall not be construed to include cottonseed meal, when not in combination with other materials.
- (3) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of seeds for planting purposes and baby chicks and poults.

  Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the gross proceeds of the sale or sales of plants, seedlings, nursery stock, or floral products.
- (4) The gross proceeds of sales of insecticides and fungicides when used for agricultural purposes or when used by

persons properly permitted by the Department of Agriculture and Industries or any applicable local or state governmental authority for structural pest control work and feed for livestock and poultry, but not including prepared food for dogs and cats.

- whomsoever sold, and also the gross proceeds of poultry and other products of the farm, dairy, grove, or garden, when in the original state of production or condition of preparation for sale, when such sale or sales are made by the producer or members of his immediate family or for him by those employed by him to assist in the production thereof. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure or computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable hereunder, the gross proceeds of sales of poultry or poultry products when not products of the farm.
- (6) Cottonseed meal exchanged for cottonseed at or by cotton gins.
- (7) The gross receipts from the business on which, or for engaging in which, a license or privilege tax is levied by or under the provisions of Sections 40-21-50, 40-21-53, and 40-21-56 through 40-21-60; provided, that nothing contained in this subdivision shall be construed to exempt or relieve the person or persons operating the business enumerated in said sections from the payments of the tax levied by this division upon or measured by the gross proceeds of sales of any tangible personal property, except gas and water, the gross

receipts from the sale of which are the measure of the tax levied by said Section 40-21-50, merchandise or other tangible commodities sold at retail by said persons, unless the gross proceeds of sale thereof are otherwise specifically exempted by the provisions of this division.

- (8) The gross proceeds of sales or gross receipts of or by any person, firm, or corporation, from the sale of transportation, gas, water, or electricity, of the kinds and natures, the rates and charges for which, when sold by public utilities, are customarily fixed and determined by the Public Service Commission of Alabama or like regulatory bodies.
- (9) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales of wood residue, coal, or coke to manufacturers, electric power companies, and transportation companies for use or consumption in the production of by-products, or the generation of heat or power used in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale, for the generation of electric power or energy for use in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale or for resale, or for the generation of motive power for transportation.
- (10) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales of fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard ships, vessels, towing vessels, or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, or other watercraft (herein for purposes of this exemption being referred to as "vessels") engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce; provided, that nothing in this division

shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure of the tax herein levied the gross proceeds of sale or sales of material and supplies to any person for use in fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair, or reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships, other watercraft, and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

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For purposes of this subdivision, it shall be presumed that vessels engaged in the transportation of cargo between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries or possessions or territories of the United States or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states are engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce, as the case may be. For the purposes of this subdivision, the engaging in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce shall not require that the vessel involved deliver cargo to or receive cargo from a port in the State of Alabama. For purposes of this subdivision, vessels carrying passengers for hire, and no cargo, between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries or possessions or territories of the United States or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states shall be engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce, as the case may be, if, and only if, both of the following conditions are met: (i) The vessel in question is a vessel of at least 100 gross tons; and (ii) the vessel in

question has an unexpired certificate of inspection issued by the United States Coast Guard or by the proper authority of a foreign country for a foreign vessel, which certificate is recognized as acceptable under the laws of the United States. Vessels which are engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce shall be deemed for the purposes of this subdivision to remain in such commerce while awaiting or under repair in a port of the State of Alabama if such vessel returns after such repairs are completed to engaging in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, seismic or geophysical vessels which are engaged either in seismic or geophysical tests or evaluations exclusively in offshore federal waters or in traveling to or from conducting such tests or evaluations shall be deemed to be engaged in international or foreign commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, proof that fuel and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce may be accomplished by the merchant or seller securing the duly signed certificate of the vessel owner, operator, or captain or their respective agent on a form prescribed by the department that the fuel and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce. Any person filing a false certificate shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 for each offense. Each false

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certificate filed shall constitute a separate offense. Any person filing a false certificate shall be liable to the department for all taxes imposed by this division upon the merchant or seller, together with any interest or penalties thereon, by reason of the sale or sales of fuel and supplies applicable to such false certificate. If a merchant or seller of fuel and supplies secures the certificate herein mentioned, properly completed, such merchant or seller shall not be liable for the taxes imposed by this division, if such merchant or seller had no knowledge that such certificate was false when it was filed with such merchant or seller.

- (11) The gross proceeds of sales of tangible personal property to the State of Alabama, to the counties within the state and to incorporated municipalities of the State of Alabama.
- (12) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of railroad cars, vessels, barges, and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, when sold by the manufacturers or builders thereof.
- (13) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of materials, equipment, and machinery which, at any time, enter into and become a component part of ships, vessels, towing vessels or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, other watercraft and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement

as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Additionally, the gross proceeds from the sale or sales of lifeboats, personal flotation devices, ring life buoys, survival craft equipment, distress signals, EPIRB's, fire extinguishers, injury placards, waste management plans and logs, marine sanitation devices, navigation rulebooks, navigation lights, sound signals, navigation day shapes, oil placard cards, garbage placards, FCC SSL, stability instructions, first aid equipment, compasses, anchor and radar reflectors, general alarm systems, bilge pumps, piping, and discharge and electronic position fixing devices which are used on the aforementioned watercraft.

(14) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of fuel oil purchased as fuel for kiln use in manufacturing establishments.

- (15) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of tangible personal property to county and city school boards, independent school boards, and all educational institutions and agencies of the State of Alabama, the counties within the state, or any incorporated municipalities of the State of Alabama.
- (16) The gross proceeds from the sale of all devices or facilities, and all identifiable components thereof, or materials for use therein, acquired primarily for the control, reduction, or elimination of air or water pollution and the gross proceeds from the sale of all identifiable components of

or materials used or intended for use in structures built primarily for the control, reduction, or elimination of air and water pollution.

- (17) The gross proceeds of sales of tangible personal property or the gross receipts of any business which the state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution or laws of the United States or under the Constitution of this state.
- (18) When dealers or distributors use parts taken from stocks owned by them in making repairs without charge for such parts to the owner of the property repaired pursuant to warranty agreements entered into by manufacturers, such use shall not constitute taxable sales to the manufacturers, distributors, or to the dealers, under this division or under any county sales tax law.
- (19) The gross proceeds received from the sale or furnishing of food, including potato chips, candy, fruit and similar items, soft drinks, tobacco products, and stationery and other similar or related articles by hospital canteens operated by Alabama state hospitals at Bryce Hospital and Partlow State School for Mental Deficients at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and Searcy Hospital at Mt. Vernon, Alabama, for the benefit of the patients therein.
- (20) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of wrapping paper and other wrapping materials when used in preparing poultry or poultry products for delivery, shipment, or sale by the producer, processor, packer, or seller of such

poultry or poultry products, including pallets used in shipping poultry and egg products, paper or other materials used for lining boxes or other containers in which poultry or poultry products are packed together with any other materials placed in such containers for the delivery, shipment, or sale of poultry or poultry products.

- antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines or medications, vitamins, minerals or other nutrients, and all other feed ingredients including concentrates, supplements, and other feed ingredients when such substances are used as ingredients in mixing and preparing feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial basis, livestock, and poultry. Such exemption herein granted shall be in addition to exemptions now provided by law for feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial basis, livestock, and poultry, but not including prepared foods for dogs or cats.
- (22) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of seedlings, plants, shoots, and slips which are to be used for planting vegetable gardens or truck farms and other agricultural purposes. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt, or exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the gross proceeds of the sale, or the use of plants, seedlings, shoots, slips, nursery stock, and floral products, except as hereinabove exempted.

(23) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of fabricated steel tube sections, when produced and fabricated in this state by any person, firm, or corporation for any vehicular tunnel for highway vehicular traffic, when sold by the manufacturer or fabricator thereof, and also the gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of steel which enters into and becomes a component part of such fabricated steel tube sections of said tunnel.

- any theatrical production, symphonic or other orchestral concert, ballet, or opera production when such concert or production is presented by any society, association, guild, or workshop group, organized within this state, whose members or some of whose members regularly and actively participate in such concerts or productions for the purposes of providing a creative outlet for the cultural and educational interests of such members, and of promoting such interests for the betterment of the community by presenting such productions to the general public for an admission charge. The employment of a paid director or conductor to assist in any such presentation described in this subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit the exemptions herein provided.
- (25) The gross proceeds of sales of herbicides for agricultural uses by whomsoever sold. The term herbicides, as used in this subdivision, means any substance or mixture of substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel, or retard the growth of weeds or plants. It shall include preemergence

herbicides, postemergence herbicides, lay-by herbicides,
pasture herbicides, defoliant herbicides, and desiccant
herbicides.

- (26) The Alabama Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis
  Research Foundation and the Jefferson Tuberculosis Sanatorium
  and any of their departments or agencies, heretofore or
  hereafter organized and existing in good faith in the State of
  Alabama for purposes other than for pecuniary gain and not for
  individual profit, shall be exempted from the computation of
  the tax on the gross proceeds of all sales levied, assessed,
  or payable.
- (27) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales of fuel for use or consumption aboard commercial fishing vessels are hereby exempt from the computation of all sales taxes levied, assessed, or payable under the provisions of this division or levied under any county or municipal sales tax law.

The words commercial fishing vessels shall mean vessels whose masters and owners are regularly and exclusively engaged in fishing as their means of livelihood.

- (28) The gross proceeds of sales of sawdust, wood shavings, wood chips, and other like materials sold for use as chicken litter by poultry producers and poultry processors.
- (29) The gross proceeds of the sales of all antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines, and other medications including serums and vaccines, vitamins, minerals, or other nutrients for use in

the production and growing of fish, livestock, and poultry by 1 2 whomsoever sold. Such exemption as herein granted shall be in addition to the exemption provided by law for feed for fish, 3 livestock, and poultry, and in addition to the exemptions provided by law for the above-enumerated substances and 5 6 products when mixed and used as ingredients in fish, 7 livestock, and poultry feed.

(30) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of all 9 medicines prescribed by physicians for persons who are 65 years of age or older, and when said prescriptions are filled by licensed pharmacists, shall be exempted under this division 11 12 or under any county or municipal sales tax law. The exemption 13 provided in this section shall not apply to any medicine

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For the purposes of this subdivision, proof of age may be accomplished by filing with the dispensing pharmacist any one or more of the following documents:

purchased in any manner other than as is herein provided.

- a. The name and claim number as shown on a "Medicare" card issued by the United States Social Security Administration.
- b. A certificate executed by any adult person having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.
- c. An affidavit executed by any adult person having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.

For the purposes of this subdivision, any person filing a false proof of age shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of \$100.

- (31) There shall be exempted from the tax levied by this division the gross receipts of sales of grass sod of all kinds and character when in the original state of production or condition of preparation for sale, when such sales are made by the producer or members of his family or for him by those employed by him to assist in the production thereof; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to exempt sales of sod by a person engaged in the business of selling plants, seedlings, nursery stock, or floral products.
- (32) The gross receipts of sales of the following items or materials which are necessary in the farm-to-market production of tomatoes when such items or materials are used by the producer or members of his family or for him by those employed by him to assist in the production thereof: Twine for tying tomatoes, tomato stakes, field boxes (wooden boxes used to take tomatoes from the fields to shed), and tomato boxes used in shipments to customers.
- (33) The gross proceeds from the sale of liquefied petroleum gas or natural gas sold to be used for agricultural purposes.
- (34) The gross receipts of sales from state nurseries of forest tree seedlings.

- 1 (35) The gross receipts of sales of forest tree seed 2 by the state.
- 3 (36) The gross receipts of sales of Lespedeza
  4 bicolor and other species of perennial plant seed and
  5 seedlings sold for wildlife and game food production purposes
  6 by the state.
  - (37) The gross receipts of any aircraft manufactured, sold, and delivered in this state if said aircraft are not permanently domiciled in Alabama and are removed to another state.

- (38) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales of all diesel fuel used for off-highway agricultural purposes.
- (39) The gross proceeds from sales of admissions to any sporting event which:
- a. Takes place in the State of Alabama on or after January 1, 1984, regardless of when such sales occur; and
- b. Is hosted by a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Alabama; and
  - c. Determines a national championship of a national organization, including but not limited to the Professional Golfers Association of America, the Tournament Players Association, the United States Golf Association, the United States Tennis Association, and the National Collegiate Athletic Association; and
  - d. Has not been held in the State of Alabama on more than one prior occasion, provided, however, that for such

1 purpose the Professional Golfers Association Championship, the 2 United States Open Golf Championship, the United States Amateur Golf Championship of the United States Golf 3 Association, and the United States Open Tennis Championship shall each be treated as a separate event.

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- (40) The gross receipts from the sale of any aircraft and replacement parts, components, systems, supplies, and sundries affixed or used on said aircraft and ground support equipment and vehicles used by or for the aircraft to or by a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state, for use in conducting intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to have all of the following criteria:
- a. There originates from the location 15 or more flight departures and five or more different first-stop destinations five days per week for six or more months during the calendar year; and
- b. Passengers and/or property are regularly exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a different certificated or licensed air carrier.
- (41) The gross receipts from the sale of hot or cold food and beverage products sold to or by a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state, for use in conducting intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the

1	purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation within
2	this state" shall be construed to have all of the following
3	criteria:
4	a. There originates from the location 15 or more
5	flight departures and five or more different first-stop
6	destinations five days per week for six or more months during
7	the calendar year; and
8	b. Passengers and/or property are regularly
9	exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
10	different certificated or licensed air carrier.
11	(42) The gross receipts from the sale of any
12	aviation jet fuel to a certificated or licensed air carrier
13	purchased for use in scheduled all-cargo operations being
14	conducted on international flights or in international
15	commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, the following
16	words or terms shall be defined and interpreted as follows:
17	a. Air Carrier. Any person, firm, corporation, or
18	entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to
19	provide air transportation.
20	b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by an
21	air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger
22	carrying flight, except passengers as specified in 14 C.F.R.
23	§121.583(a) or 14 C.F.R. §135.85, as amended.
2.4	c International Commerce Any air carrier engaged

c. International Commerce. Any air carrier engaged in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or hire on international flights.

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d. International Flights. Any air carrier conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point within the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia, including any interim stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States and the District of Columbia.

 $\frac{(42)}{(43)}$  The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of the following:

- a. Drill pipe, casing, tubing, and other pipe used for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.
- b. Tangible personal property exclusively used for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.
- c. Fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard boats, ships, aircraft, and towing vessels when used exclusively in transporting persons or property between a point in Alabama and a point or points in offshore federal waters for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.
- d. Drilling equipment that is used for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals, that is built for exclusive use outside this state and that is, on completion, removed forthwith from this state.

The delivery of items exempted by this subdivision to the purchaser or lessee in this state does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if the property is removed from the state by any means, including by the use of the purchaser's or lessee's own facilities.

The shipment to a place in this state of equipment exempted by this subdivision for further assembly or fabrication does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if on completion of the further assembly or fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this state. This subdivision applies to a sale that may occur when the equipment exempted is further assembled or fabricated if on completion the equipment is removed forthwith from this state.

games and operations which are conducted in compliance with validly enacted legislation authorizing the conduct of such games and operations, and which comply with the distribution requirements of the applicable local laws; provided that the exemption from sales taxation granted by this subdivision shall apply only to gross receipts taxable under subdivision (2) of Section 40-23-2. It is further provided that this exemption shall not apply to any gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property, such as concessions, novelties, food, beverages, etc. The exemption provided for in this section shall be limited to those games and operations by organizations which have qualified for exemption under the

provisions of 26 U.S.C. § 501 (c) (3), (4), (7), (8), (10), or (19), or which are defined in 26 U.S.C. § 501(d).

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- (44) (45) The gross receipts derived from the sale or sales of fruit or other agricultural products by the person or corporation that planted, cultivated, and harvested such fruit or agricultural product.
  - (45) (46) The gross receipts derived from the sale or sales of all domestically mined or produced coal, coke, and coke by-products used in cogeneration plants.

(46) (47) The gross receipts from the sale or sales of metal, other than gold or silver, when such metal is purchased for the purpose of transferring such metal to an investment trust in exchange for shares or other units, each of which are both publicly traded and represent fractional undivided beneficial interests in the trust's net assets, including metal stored in warehouses located in this state, as well as the gross proceeds from the sale or other transfer of such metal to or from such investment trust in exchange for shares or other units that are publicly traded and represent fractional undivided beneficial interests in the trust's net assets but not to the extent that metal is transferred to or from the investment trust in exchange for consideration other than such publicly traded shares or other units. For purposes of this subdivision, the term metals includes, but is not limited to, copper, aluminum, nickel, zinc, tin, lead, and other similar metals typically used in commercial and industrial applications.

1  $\frac{(47)}{(48)}$  For the period commencing on October 1, 2 2012, and ending May 30, 2022, unless extended by joint resolution, the gross receipts from the sale of parts, 3 components, and systems that become a part of a fixed or rotary wing military aircraft or certified transport category 6 aircraft that undergoes conversion, reconfiguration, or 7 general maintenance so long as the address of the aircraft for FAA registration is not in the state; provided, however, that this exemption shall not apply to a local sales tax unless previously exempted by local law or approved by resolution of 11 the local governing body.

> (b) Any violation of any provision of this section shall be punishable in a court of competent jurisdiction by a fine of not less than \$500 and no more than \$2,000 and imprisonment of not less than six months nor more than one year in the county jail.

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The storage, use or other consumption in this state of the following tangible personal property is hereby specifically exempted from the tax imposed by this article:

- (1) Property, on which the sales tax imposed by the provisions of Article 1 of this chapter is paid by the consumer to a person licensed under the provisions of Article 1 of this chapter.
- (2) Property, the storage, use or other consumption of which this state is prohibited from taxing under the

Constitution or laws of the United States of America or under the constitution of this state.

- (3) Tangible personal property, not to be used in the performance of a contract, brought into this state by a nonresident thereof for his own storage, use or consumption while temporarily within this state.
- (4) Lubricating oil and gasoline as defined in Sections 40-17-30 and 40-17-170, the storage, use or other consumption of which is otherwise taxed.
- (5) All fertilizer; provided, that the word "fertilizer" as used in this article shall not be construed to include cottonseed meal when not in combination with other material.
- (6) All seeds for planting purposes and baby chicks and poults; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to exempt plants, seedlings, nursery stock or floral products.
- (7) Insecticides and fungicides and feed for livestock and poultry, but not including prepared foods for dogs and cats.
- (8) The use, storage or consumption of all livestock by whomsoever sold; and also the gross proceeds of poultry and other products of the farm, dairy, grove or garden, when in the original state of production or condition of preparation for sale, when such sale or sales are made by the producer or members of his immediate family or for him by those employed by him to assist in the production thereof. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure or

- computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable hereunder, the gross proceeds of sales of poultry or poultry products when not products of the farm.
  - (9) Cottonseed meal exchanged for cottonseed at or by cotton gins.

- (10) Transportation, gas, water, or electricity, of the kinds and natures, the rates and charges for which when sold by public utilities, are customarily fixed and determined by the Public Service Commission of Alabama or like regulatory bodies.
- (11) Coal or coke to be stored, used or consumed by manufacturers, electric power companies and transportation companies for use or consumption in the production of by-products or the generation of heat or power used:
- 15 a. In manufacturing tangible personal property for sale;
  - b. For the generation of electric power or energy for use in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale or for resale; or
  - c. For the generation of motive power for transportation.
  - (12) Fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard ships, vessels, towing vessels, or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, or other watercraft (herein for purposes of this exemption being referred to as vessels) engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce; provided, that nothing in

this article shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure of the tax herein levied the gross proceeds of sale or sales of material and supplies to any person for use in fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair or reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships, other watercraft and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. For purposes of this subdivision, it shall be presumed that vessels engaged in the transportation of cargo between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries or possessions or territories of the United States or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states are engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce, as the case may be. For the purposes of this subdivision, the engaging in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce shall not require that the vessel involved deliver cargo to or receive cargo from a port in the State of Alabama. For purposes of this subdivision, vessels carrying passengers for hire, and no cargo, between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries or possessions or territories of the United States or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states shall be engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce, as the case may be, if, and only if, both of the following conditions are met: (i) The vessel in question is a vessel of at least 100 gross tons; and (ii) the vessel in

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question has an unexpired certificate of inspection issued by the United States Coast Guard or by the proper authority of a foreign country for a foreign vessel, which certificate is recognized as acceptable under the laws of the United States. Vessels which are engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce shall be deemed for the purposes of this subdivision to remain in such commerce while awaiting or under repair in a port of the State of Alabama if such vessel returns after such repairs are completed to engaging in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, seismic or geophysical vessels which are engaged either in seismic or geophysical tests or evaluations exclusively in offshore federal waters or in traveling to or from conducting such tests or evaluations shall be deemed to be engaged in international or foreign commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, proof that fuel and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce may be accomplished by the merchant or seller securing the duly signed certificate of the vessel owner, operator or captain or their respective agent on a form prescribed by the department that the fuel and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce. Any person filing a false certificate shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 for each offense. Each false

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certificate filed shall constitute a separate offense. Any person filing a false certificate shall be liable to the department for all taxes imposed by this division upon the merchant or seller, together with any interest or penalties thereon, by reason of the sale or sales of fuel and supplies applicable to such false certificate. If a merchant or seller of fuel and supplies secures the certificate herein mentioned, properly completed, such merchant or seller shall not be liable for the taxes imposed by this division, if such merchant or seller had no knowledge that such certificate was false when it was filed with such merchant or seller.

- (13) Property stored, used or consumed by the State of Alabama, by the counties within the state or by incorporated municipalities of the State of Alabama.
- equipment and machinery which, at any time, enter into and become a component part of ships, vessels, towing vessels or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, other watercraft and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Additionally, the use, storage, or consumption of lifeboats, personal flotation devices, ring life buoys, survival craft equipment, distress signals, EPIRB's, fire extinguishers, injury placards, waste management plans and logs, marine sanitation devices, navigation rulebooks, navigation lights, sound signals,

- navigation day shapes, oil placard cards, garbage placards,

  FCC SSL, stability instructions, first aid equipment,

  compasses, anchor and radar reflectors, general alarm systems,
- bilge pumps, piping, and discharge and electronic position
- 5 fixing devices on the aforementioned watercraft.

- (15) The use, storage, or consumption of fuel oil purchased as fuel for kilns used in manufacturing establishments.
- (16) Tangible personal property stored, used or consumed by county and city school boards, independent school boards and all educational institutions and agencies of the State of Alabama, the counties within the state or any incorporated municipality of the State of Alabama.
- (17) The storage, use, or consumption of railroad cars, vessels, and barges and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources when purchased from the manufacturers or builders thereof.
- or facilities, and all identifiable components thereof or materials for use therein, used or placed in operation primarily for the control, reduction or elimination of air or water pollution, and the storage, use, or consumption of all identifiable components of or materials used or intended for use in structures built primarily for the control, reduction or elimination of air or water pollution.

(19) When dealers or distributors use parts taken from stocks owned by them in making repairs without charge for such parts to the owner of the property required pursuant to warranty agreements entered into by manufacturers, such use shall not constitute taxable sales to the manufacturers, distributors or to the dealers, under this article, or under any county use tax law.

- (20) The storage, use, or other consumption in this state of religious magazines and publications. For the purpose of this subdivision the words "religious magazines and publications" shall be construed to mean printed or illustrated lessons, notes and explanations distributed by churches or other religious organizations free of charge to pupils or students in Sunday schools, Bible classes or other educational facilities established and maintained by churches or similar religious organizations in this state.
- wrapping paper and other wrapping materials when used in preparing poultry or poultry products for delivery, shipment or sale by the producer, processor, packer, or seller of such poultry or poultry products including pallets used in shipping poultry and egg products, paper or other materials used for lining boxes or other containers in which poultry or poultry products are packed together with any other materials placed in such containers for the delivery, shipment or sale of poultry or poultry products.

antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines or medications, vitamins, minerals, or other nutrients and all other feed ingredients including concentrates, supplements and other feed ingredients when such substances are used as ingredients in mixing and preparing feed for livestock and poultry. Such exemption herein granted shall be in addition to exemptions now provided by law for feed for livestock and poultry, but not including prepared foods for dogs and cats.

- (23) The use of seedlings, plants, shoots, and slips which are to be used for planting vegetable gardens or truck farms. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt, or exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the use of plants, seedlings, shoots, slips, nursery stock and floral products except as hereinabove exempted.
- and fabricated in this state by any person, firm, or corporation, for any vehicular tunnel for highway vehicular traffic, when sold by the manufacturer or fabricator thereof, and also steel which enters into and becomes a component part of such fabricated steel tube sections of said tunnel, shall be exempted from the provisions of this article and from the computation of the amount of the tax levied, assessed or payable under this article.
- (25) The storage, use or other consumption of herbicides for agricultural uses by whomsoever sold. The term

"herbicides" as used in this subdivision means any substance
or mixture of substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel,
or retard the growth of weeds or plants. It shall include
preemergence herbicides, postemergence herbicides, lay-by
herbicides, pasture herbicides, defoliant herbicides, and
desiccant herbicides.

- (26) The Alabama Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis
  Research Foundation, and the Jefferson Tuberculosis Sanatorium
  and any of their departments or agencies, heretofore or
  hereafter organized and existing in good faith in the State of
  Alabama for purposes other than for pecuniary gain and not for
  individual profit, shall be exempted from the payment of the
  state use tax levied under this article.
- (27) Fuel for use or consumption aboard commercial fishing vessels are hereby exempt from the payment of the state use tax levied under this article, or levied under any county or municipal use tax law.

The words commercial fishing vessels shall mean vessels whose masters and owners are regularly and exclusively engaged in fishing as their means of livelihood.

- (28) The storage, use, or withdrawal of sawdust, wood shavings, wood chips, and other like materials purchased for use as chicken litter by poultry producers and poultry processors shall be exempt under this article.
- (29) The storage, use or other consumption of all antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines and other medications including serums and vaccines,

vitamins, minerals or other nutrients for use in the production and growing of fish, livestock, and poultry are hereby specifically exempted from the payment of the state use tax levied by this article. Such exemption as herein granted shall be in addition to the exemptions now provided by law for feed for fish, livestock, and poultry, and in addition to the exemptions now provided by law for the above-enumerated substances and products when mixed and used as ingredients in fish, livestock and poultry feeds.

(30) All medicines prescribed by physicians for persons who are 65 years of age or older, and when said prescriptions are filled by licensed pharmacists, shall be exempted from the operation of the state use tax law levied by this article, or by any county or municipal use tax law. The exemptions provided in this subdivision shall not apply to any medicine purchased in any manner other than as is herein provided.

For the purposes of this subdivision, proof of age may be accomplished by filing with the dispensing pharmacist any one or more of the following documents:

- a. The name and claim number as shown on a "Medicare" card issued by the United States Social Security Administration.
- b. A certificate executed by any adult person having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.

c. An affidavit executed by any adult person having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.

For the purposes of this subdivision any person filing a false proof of age shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of \$100.

(31) All diesel fuel used for off-highway agricultural purposes.

- aircraft and replacement parts, components, systems, supplies and sundries affixed or used on said aircraft and ground support equipment and vehicles used by or for the aircraft by a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state, for use in conducting intrastate, interstate or foreign commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to have all of the following criteria:
- a. There originates from the location 15 or more flight departures and five or more different first-stop destinations five days per week for six or more months during the calendar year; and
- b. Passengers and/or property are regularly exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a different certificated or licensed air carrier.

Τ	(33) The storage, use or other consumption of any
2	aviation jet fuel used by an aircraft operated by a
3	certificated or licensed air carrier that purchases jet fuel
4	for use in scheduled all-cargo operations being conducted on
5	international flights or in international commerce. For
6	purposes of this subdivision, the following words or terms
7	shall be defined and interpreted as follows:
8	a. Air Carrier. Any person, firm, corporation, or
9	entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to
10	provide air transportation.
11	b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by an
12	air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger
13	carrying flight, except passengers as specified in 14 C.F.R.
14	§121.583(a) or 14 C.F.R. §135.85, as amended.
15	c. International Commerce. Any air carrier engaged
16	in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or
17	hire on international flights.
18	d. International Flights. Any air carrier conducting
19	scheduled all-cargo operations between any point within the 50
20	states of the United States and the District of Columbia and
21	any point outside the 50 states of the United States and the
22	District of Columbia, including any interim stops within the
23	United States so long as the ultimate origin or destination of
24	the aircraft is outside the United States and the District of
25	Columbia.
26	(33) (34) The storage, use, or other consumption of
27	hot or cold food and beverage products by a certificated or

licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state,
for use in conducting intrastate, interstate, or foreign

commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the
purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation within
this state" shall be construed to have all of the following

criteria:

- a. There originates from the location 15 or more flight departures and five or more different first-stop destinations five days per week for six or more months during the calendar year; and
  - b. Passengers and/or property are regularly exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a different certificated or licensed air carrier.
- $\frac{(34)}{(35)}$  The storage, use, or other consumption of the following:
  - a. Drill pipe, casing, tubing, and other pipe used for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.
  - b. Tangible personal property exclusively used for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.
  - c. Fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard boats, ships, aircraft, and towing vessels when used exclusively in transporting persons or property between a point in Alabama and a point or points in offshore federal waters for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.

1 d. Drilling equipment that is used for the 2 exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals, that is built for exclusive use outside this state and that is, on completion, removed forthwith from this state.

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e. All domestically mined or produced coal, coke, and coke by-products used in cogeneration plants in Alabama.

The delivery of items exempted by this subdivision to the purchaser or lessee in this state does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if the property is removed from the state by any means, including by the use of the purchaser's or lessee's own facilities.

The shipment to a place in this state of equipment exempted by this subdivision for further assembly or fabrication does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if on completion of the further assembly or fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this state. This subdivision applies to a sale that may occur when the equipment exempted is further assembled or fabricated if on completion the equipment is removed forthwith from this state.

(35) (36) The storage or use of metal, other than gold or silver, when such metal is held by an investment trust the shares or other units in the trust's net assets of which have been issued in exchange for such metal and are publicly traded, including metal stored in warehouses located in this state. For purposes of this subdivision, the term metals includes, but is not limited to, copper, aluminum, nickel,

zinc, tin, lead, and other similar metals typically used in commercial and industrial applications.

Section 2. The provisions of this act are retroactive to October 1, 2012.

Section 3. This act shall become effective immediately following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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