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4	A BILL
5	TO BE ENTITLED
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8	To amend Sections 40-23-1 and 40-23-60, Code of
9	Alabama 1975, relating to sales and use tax definitions, to
10	clarify that prepaid wireless service that is evidenced by a
11	physical card and prepaid wireless service that is not
12	evidenced by a physical card, are subject to sales and use
13	tax.
14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
15	Section 1. Section 40-23-1, Code of Alabama 1975, is
16	hereby amended to read as follows:
17	"§40-23-1.
18	"(a) For the purpose of this division, the following
19	terms shall have the respective meanings ascribed by this
20	section:
21	"(1) PERSON or COMPANY. Used interchangeably,
22	includes any individual, firm, copartnership, association,
23	corporation, receiver, trustee, or any other group or
24	combination acting as a unit and the plural as well as the
25	singular number, unless the intention to give a more limited
26	meaning is disclosed by the context.

"(2) DEPARTMENT. The Department of Revenue of the
 State of Alabama.

3 "(3) COMMISSIONER. The Commissioner of Revenue of4 the State of Alabama.

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"(4) TAX YEAR or TAXABLE YEAR. The calendar year.

"(5) SALE or SALES. Installment and credit sales and 6 7 the exchange of properties as well as the sale thereof for money, every closed transaction constituting a sale. Provided, 8 however, a transaction shall not be closed or a sale completed 9 until the time and place when and where title is transferred 10 by the seller or seller's agent to the purchaser or 11 12 purchaser's agent, and for the purpose of determining transfer 13 of title, a common carrier or the U. S. Postal Service shall 14 be deemed to be the agent of the seller, regardless of any 15 F.O.B. point and regardless of who selects the method of transportation, and regardless of by whom or the method by 16 17 which freight, postage, or other transportation charge is paid. Provided further that, where billed as a separate item 18 to and paid by the purchaser, the freight, postage, or other 19 transportation charge paid to a common carrier or the U.S. 20 21 Postal Service is not a part of the selling price.

"(6) GROSS PROCEEDS OF SALES. The value proceeding or accruing from the sale of tangible personal property, and including the proceeds from the sale of any property handled on consignment by the taxpayer, including merchandise of any kind and character without any deduction on account of the cost of the property sold, the cost of the materials used,

1 labor or service cost, interest paid, any consumer excise 2 taxes that may be included within the sales price of the property sold, or any other expenses whatsoever, and without 3 4 any deductions on account of losses; provided, that cash discounts allowed and taken on sales shall not be included, 5 6 and "gross proceeds of sales" shall not include the sale price 7 of property returned by customers when the full sales price thereof is refunded either in cash or by credit. The term 8 "gross proceeds of sale" shall also mean and include the 9 10 reasonable and fair market value of any tangible personal property previously purchased at wholesale which is withdrawn 11 12 or used from the business or stock and used or consumed in connection with a business, and shall also mean and include 13 14 the reasonable and fair market value of any tangible personal property previously purchased at wholesale which is withdrawn 15 16 from the business or stock and used or consumed by any person 17 so withdrawing the same, except property which has been previously withdrawn from business or stock and so used or 18 consumed with respect to which property the tax has been paid 19 because of previous withdrawal, use, or consumption, except 20 21 property which enters into and becomes an ingredient or 22 component part of tangible personal property or products 23 manufactured or compounded for sale and not for the personal 24 and private use or consumption of any person so withdrawing, 25 using, or consuming the same, and except refinery, residue, or fuel gas, whether in a liquid or gaseous state, that has been 26 27 generated by, or is otherwise a by-product of, a

petroleum-refining process, which gas is then utilized in the process to generate heat or is otherwise utilized in the distillation or refining of petroleum products.

4 "In the case of the retail sale of equipment, accessories, fixtures, and other similar tangible personal 5 6 property used in connection with the sale of commercial mobile 7 services as defined herein, or in connection with satellite television services, at a price below cost, "gross proceeds of 8 sale" shall only include the stated sales price thereof and 9 10 shall not include any sales commission or rebate received by the seller as a result of the sale. As used herein, the term 11 12 "commercial mobile services" shall have the same meaning as 13 that term has in 47 U.S.C. Sections 153(n) and 332(d), as in 14 effect from time to time.

15 "(7) TAXPAYER. Any person liable for taxes16 hereunder.

"(8) GROSS RECEIPTS. The value proceeding or 17 accruing from the sale of tangible personal property, 18 including merchandise and commodities of any kind and 19 20 character, all receipts actual and accrued, by reason of any 21 business engaged in, not including, however, interest, 22 discounts, rentals of real estate or royalties, and without 23 any deduction on account of the cost of the property sold, the 24 cost of the materials used, labor or service cost, interest 25 paid, any consumer excise taxes that may be included in the sales price of the property sold, or any other expenses 26 27 whatsoever and without any deductions on account of losses.

1 The term "gross receipts" shall also mean and include the 2 reasonable and fair market value of any tangible personal property previously purchased at wholesale which is withdrawn 3 4 or used from the business or stock and used or consumed in connection with a business, and shall also mean and include 5 6 the reasonable and fair market value of any tangible personal 7 property previously purchased at wholesale which is withdrawn from the business or stock and used or consumed by any person 8 9 so withdrawing the same, except property which has been previously withdrawn from business or stock and so used or 10 11 consumed and with respect to which property the tax has been 12 paid because of previous withdrawal, use, or consumption, 13 except property which enters into and becomes an ingredient or 14 component part of tangible personal property or products 15 manufactured or compounded for sale as provided in subdivision (9) and not for the personal and private use or consumption of 16 any person so withdrawing, using, or consuming the same, and 17 except refinery, residue, or fuel gas, whether in a liquid or 18 gaseous state, that has been generated by, or is otherwise a 19 20 by-product of, a petroleum-refining process, which gas is then 21 utilized in the process to generate heat or is otherwise 22 utilized in the distillation or refining of petroleum 23 products.

24 "(9) WHOLESALE SALE or SALE AT WHOLESALE. Any one of 25 the following:

26 "a. A sale of tangible personal property by
27 wholesalers to licensed retail merchants, jobbers, dealers, or

other wholesalers for resale and does not include a sale by
 wholesalers to users or consumers, not for resale.

"b. A sale of tangible personal property or 3 4 products, including iron ore, and including the furnished container and label of such property or products, to a 5 6 manufacturer or compounder which enter into and become an 7 ingredient or component part of the tangible personal property or products which the manufacturer or compounder manufactures 8 9 or compounds for sale, whether or not such tangible personal 10 property or product used in manufacturing or compounding a finished product is used with the intent that it becomes a 11 12 component of the finished product; provided, however, that it 13 is the intent of this section that no sale of capital 14 equipment, machinery, tools, or product shall be included in 15 the term "wholesale sale." The term "capital equipment, machinery, tools, or product" shall mean property that is 16 17 subject to depreciation allowances for Alabama income tax 18 purposes.

"c. A sale of containers intended for one-time use only, and the labels thereof, when containers are sold without contents to persons who sell or furnish containers along with the contents placed therein for sale by persons.

"d. A sale of pallets intended for one-time use only when pallets are sold without contents to persons who sell or furnish pallets along with the contents placed thereon for sale by persons. "e. A sale to a manufacturer or compounder, of
 crowns, caps, and tops intended for one-time use employed and
 used upon the containers in which a manufacturer or compounder
 markets his products.

5 "f. A sale of containers to persons engaged in 6 selling or otherwise supplying or furnishing baby chicks to 7 growers thereof where containers are used for the delivery of 8 chicks or a sale of containers for use in the delivery of eggs 9 by the producer thereof to the distributor or packer of eggs 10 even though containers used for delivery of baby chicks or 11 eggs may be recovered for reuse.

"g. A sale of bagging and ties used in preparingcotton for market.

14 "h. A sale to meat packers, manufacturers,
15 compounders, or processors of meat products of all casings
16 used in molding or forming wieners and Vienna sausages even
17 though casings may be recovered for reuse.

18 "i. A sale of commercial fish feed including 19 concentrates, supplements, and other feed ingredients when 20 substances are used as ingredients in mixing and preparing 21 feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial basis.

"j. A sale of tangible personal property to any person engaging in the business of leasing or renting tangible personal property to others, if tangible personal property is purchased for the purpose of leasing or renting it to others under a transaction subject to the privilege or license tax levied in Article 4 of Chapter 12 of this title against any person engaging in the business of leasing or renting tangible personal property to others.

3 "k. A purchase or withdrawal of parts or materials 4 from stock by any person licensed under this division where 5 parts or materials are used in repairing or reconditioning the 6 tangible personal property of a licensed person, which 7 tangible personal property is a part of the stock of goods of 8 a licensed person, offered for sale by him, and not for use or 9 consumption of a licensed person.

10 "(10) SALE AT RETAIL or RETAIL SALE. All sales of tangible personal property except those above defined as 11 12 wholesale sales. The quantities of goods sold or prices at 13 which sold are immaterial in determining whether or not a sale 14 is at retail. Sales of building materials to contractors, 15 builders, or landowners for resale or use in the form of real estate are retail sales in whatever quantity sold. Sales of 16 17 building materials, fixtures, or other equipment to a manufacturer or builder of modular buildings for use in 18 manufacturing, building, or equipping a modular building 19 ultimately becoming a part of real estate situated in the 20 21 State of Alabama are retail sales, and the use, sale, or 22 resale of building shall not be subject to the tax. Sales of 23 tangible personal property to undertakers and morticians are 24 retail sales and subject to the tax at the time of purchase, 25 but are not subject to the tax on resale to the consumer. 26 Sales of tangible personal property or products to 27 manufacturers, quarry operators, mine operators, or

1 compounders, which are used or consumed by them in 2 manufacturing, mining, guarrying, or compounding and do not become an ingredient or component part of the tangible 3 4 personal property manufactured or compounded as provided in subdivision (9) are retail sales. The term "sale at retail" or 5 6 "retail sale" shall also mean and include the withdrawal, use, 7 or consumption of any tangible personal property by any one who purchases same at wholesale, except property which has 8 been previously withdrawn from the business or stock and so 9 10 used or consumed and with respect to which property tax has been paid because of previous withdrawal, use, or consumption, 11 12 except property which enters into and becomes an ingredient or 13 component part of tangible personal property or products 14 manufactured or compounded for sale as provided in subdivision 15 (9) and not for the personal and private use or consumption of any person so withdrawing, using, or consuming the same; and 16 17 wholesale purchaser shall report and pay the taxes thereon. In the case of the sale of equipment, accessories, fixtures, and 18 other similar tangible personal property used in connection 19 with the sale of commercial mobile services as defined in 20 21 subdivision (6) above, or in connection with satellite 22 television services, at a price below cost, the term "sale at retail" and "retail sale" shall include those sales, and those 23 24 sales shall not also be taxable as a withdrawal, use, or 25 consumption of such tangible personal property.

26 "(11) BUSINESS. All activities engaged in, or caused
27 to be engaged in, with the object of gain, profit, benefit, or

1 advantage, either direct or indirect, and not excepting
2 subactivities producing marketable commodities used or
3 consumed in the main business activity, each of which
4 subactivities shall be considered business engaged in, taxable
5 in the class in which it falls.

"(12) AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE. A power shovel, dragline,
crawler, crawler crane, ditcher, or any similar machine which
is self-propelled, in addition to self-propelled machines
which are used primarily as instruments of conveyance.

10 "(13) PREPAID TELEPHONE CALLING CARD. A sale of a prepaid telephone calling card or a prepaid authorization 11 12 number, or both, shall be deemed the sale of tangible personal 13 property subject to the tax imposed on the sale of tangible 14 personal property pursuant to this chapter. For purposes of this subdivision (13), the sale of prepaid wireless service 15 that is evidenced by a physical card constitutes the sale of a 16 17 prepaid telephone calling card, and the sale of prepaid wireless service that is not evidenced by a physical card 18 constitutes the sale of a prepaid authorization number. 19

"(b) The use within this state of tangible personal 20 21 property by the manufacturer thereof, as building materials in 22 the performance of a construction contract, shall, for the purposes of this division, be considered as a retail sale 23 24 thereof by manufacturer, who shall also be construed as the 25 ultimate consumer of materials or property, and who shall be 26 required to report transaction and pay the sales tax thereon, 27 based upon the reasonable and fair market price thereof at the

1 time and place where same are used or consumed by him or it. 2 Where the contractor is the manufacturer or compounder of ready-mix concrete or asphalt plant mix used in the 3 4 performance of a contract, whether the ready-mix concrete or asphalt plant mix is manufactured or compounded at the job 5 6 site or at a fixed or permanent plant location, the tax 7 applies only to the cost of the ingredients that become a component part of the ready-mix concrete or the asphalt plant 8 mix. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any 9 10 tangible personal property which is specifically exempted from 11 the tax levied in this division.

12 "(c) The sale of lumber by a lumber manufacturer to a trucker for resale is a sale at wholesale as sales are 13 defined herein where the trucker is either a licensed dealer 14 in lumber or, if a resident of Alabama, has registered with 15 the Department of Revenue, and has received therefrom a 16 17 certificate of registration or, if a nonresident of this state purchasing lumber for resale outside the State of Alabama, has 18 furnished to the lumber manufacturer his name, address and the 19 vehicle license number of the truck in which the lumber is to 20 21 be transported, which name, address, and vehicle license 22 number shall be shown on the sales invoice rendered by the 23 lumber manufacturer. The certificate provided for herein shall 24 be valid for the calendar year of its issuance and may be 25 renewed from year to year on application to the Department of 26 Revenue on or before January 31 of each succeeding year;

provided, that if not renewed the certificate shall become
 invalid for the purpose of this division on February 1.

"(d) The dispensing or transferring of ophthalmic 3 4 materials, including lenses, frames, eyeglasses, contact lenses, and other therapeutic optic devices, to a patient by a 5 licensed ophthalmologist, as a part of his or her professional 6 7 service, shall, for purposes of this division, constitute a sale, subject to the state sales tax. The licensed 8 ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist shall collect the 9 10 state sales tax. In no event shall the providing of professional services in connection with the dispensing or 11 12 transferring of ophthalmic materials, including dispensing 13 fees or fitting fees, by a licensed ophthalmologist or 14 licensed optometrist be considered a sale subject to the state 15 sales tax. When the ophthalmic materials are purchased by a consumer covered by a third party benefit plan, including 16 17 Medicare, the sales tax shall be applicable to the amount that the ophthalmologist, optometrist, or optician is reimbursed by 18 the third party benefit plan plus the amount that the consumer 19 pays to the ophthalmologist, optometrist, or optician at the 20 21 time of the sale. All transfers of ophthalmic materials by opticians or optometrists shall be considered retail sales 22 23 subject to the state sales tax. The term supplier shall 24 include but not be limited to optical laboratories, ophthalmic 25 material wholesalers, or anyone selling ophthalmic materials 26 to ophthalmologists.

1 "(e) Notwithstanding the above, the withdrawal, use, 2 or consumption of a manufactured product by the manufacturer thereof in quality control testing performed by employees or 3 4 independent contractors of the taxpayer, for purposes of this division, shall not be deemed or considered to constitute a 5 6 transaction subject to sales tax, nor shall a gift by the 7 manufacturer of a manufactured product, withdrawn from the manufacturer's inventory, to an entity listed in 26 U.S.C. 8 Sections 170(b) or (c), be considered a transaction subject to 9 10 sales tax.

"(f) Notwithstanding the foregoing, a gift by a retailer of a product or products where the aggregate retail value of any single gift is equal to or less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), withdrawn from the retailer's inventory, to an entity listed in 26 U.S.C. Sections 170(b) or (c) shall not be deemed or considered to constitute a transaction subject to sales and use tax.

"(14) PREPAID WIRELESS SERVICE. The right to use 18 mobile telecommunications service, which must be paid for in 19 20 advance and that is sold in predetermined units or dollars of 21 which the number declines with use in a known amount, and 22 which may include rights to use non-telecommunications 23 services or to download digital products or digital content. 24 For purposes of this subdivision (14), "mobile 25 telecommunications service" has the meaning ascribed by 26 Section 40-21-120."

Section 2. Section 40-23-60, Code of Alabama 1975,
 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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"§40-23-60.

For the purpose of this article, the following terms shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in this section:

7 (1) PERSON or COMPANY. Any individual, firm,
8 company, partnership, association, corporation, receiver or
9 trustee, or any other group or combination acting as a unit,
10 and the plural as well as the singular number, unless the
11 intention to give a more limited meaning is disclosed by the
12 context.

13 (2) DEPARTMENT. The Department of Revenue of the14 State of Alabama.

15 (3) COMMISSIONER. The Commissioner of Revenue of the
16 State of Alabama.

17 (4) WHOLESALE SALE or SALE AT WHOLESALE. Any one of18 the following:

a. A sale of tangible personal property by
wholesaler to licensed retail merchants, jobbers, dealers or
other wholesalers for resale and does not include a sale by
wholesalers to users or consumers, not for resale.

23 b. A sale of tangible personal property or products, 24 including iron ore, and including the furnished container and 25 label of such property or products, to a manufacturer or 26 compounder which enter into and become an ingredient or 27 component part of the tangible personal property or products

1 which the manufacturer or compounder manufactures or compounds 2 for sale, whether or not such tangible personal property or product used in manufacturing or compounding a finished 3 4 product is used with the intent that it become a component of the finished product; provided, however, that it is the intent 5 6 of this section that no sale of capital equipment, machinery, 7 tools, or product shall be included in the term "wholesale sale." The term "capital equipment, machinery, tools, or 8 product" shall mean property that is subject to depreciation 9 10 allowances for Alabama income tax purposes.

11 c. A sale of containers intended for one-time use 12 only, and the labels thereof, when such containers are sold 13 without contents to persons who sell or furnish such 14 containers along with the contents placed therein for sale by 15 such persons.

d. A sale of pallets intended for one-time use only
when such pallets are sold without contents to persons who
sell or furnish such pallets along with the contents placed
thereon for sale by such persons.

e. A sale to a manufacturer or compounder, of
crowns, caps and tops intended for one-time use employed and
used upon the containers in which such manufacturer or
compounder markets his products.

f. A sale of containers to persons engaged in
selling or otherwise supplying or furnishing baby chicks to
growers thereof where such containers are used for the
delivery of such chicks or a sale of containers for use in the

delivery of eggs by the producer thereof to the distributor or
 packer of such eggs even though such containers used for
 delivery of baby chicks or eggs may be recovered for reuse.

4 g. A sale of bagging and ties used in preparing5 cotton for market.

h. A sale of commercial fish feed 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.

10 i. A sale of tangible personal property to any person engaging in the business of leasing or renting such 11 12 tangible personal property to others, if such tangible 13 personal property is purchased for the purpose of leasing or 14 renting it to others under a transaction subject to the 15 privilege or license tax levied in Article 4 of Chapter 12 of this title against any person engaging in the business of 16 17 leasing or renting tangible personal property to others.

j. A purchase or withdrawal of parts or materials
from stock by any person licensed under this article where
such parts or materials are used in repairing or
reconditioning the tangible personal property of such licensed
person which tangible personal property is a part of the stock
of goods of such licensed person, offered for sale by him and
not for use or consumption of such licensed person.

k. A sale to meat packers, manufacturers,
 compounders or processors of meat products of all casings used

in moulding or forming wieners and Vienna sausages, even
 though such casings may be recovered for reuse.

(5) SALE AT RETAIL OF RETAIL SALE. All sales of 3 4 tangible personal property except those above defined as wholesale sales. The quantities of goods sold or prices at 5 6 which sold are immaterial in determining whether or not a sale 7 is at retail. Sales of building materials to contractors, builders or landowners for resale or use in the form of real 8 estate are retail sales in whatever quantity sold. Sales of 9 10 building materials, fixtures or other equipment to a manufacturer or builder of modular buildings for use in 11 12 manufacturing, building or equipping a modular building 13 ultimately becoming a part of real estate situated in the 14 State of Alabama are retail sales, and the use, sale or resale 15 of such building shall not be subject to the tax. Sales of 16 tangible personal property to undertakers and morticians are 17 retail sales and subject to the tax at the time of purchase, but are not subject to the tax on resale to the consumer. 18 Sales of tangible personal property or products to 19 20 manufacturers, quarry operators, mine operators or 21 compounders, which are used or consumed by them in manufacturing, mining, quarrying or compounding and do not 22 23 become an ingredient or component part of the tangible 24 personal property manufactured or compounded as provided in 25 subdivision (4) are retail sales. The term "sale at retail" or 26 "retail sale" shall also mean and include the withdrawal, use 27 or consumption of any tangible personal property by anyone who

purchases same at wholesale, except property which has been 1 2 previously withdrawn from the business or stock and so used or consumed and with respect to which property the tax has been 3 4 paid because of such previous withdrawal, use or consumption, except property which enters into and becomes an ingredient or 5 6 component part of tangible personal property or products 7 manufactured or compounded for sale as provided in subdivision (4); and not for the personal and private use or consumption 8 of any person so withdrawing, using or consuming the same, and 9 10 such wholesale purchaser shall report and pay the taxes thereon; and except refinery, residue, or fuel gas, whether in 11 12 a liquid or gaseous state, that has been generated by, or is 13 otherwise a by-product of, a petroleum-refining process, which 14 gas is then utilized in the process to generate heat or is 15 otherwise utilized in the distillation or refining of petroleum products. The term "retail sale" or "sale at retail" 16 17 shall also mean and include the sale of tangible personal property previously purchased at wholesale for the purpose of 18 leasing or renting under a transaction subject to the 19 privilege or license tax levied in Article 4 of Chapter 12 of 20 21 this title, regardless of whether such sale is to the person 22 who theretofore leased or rented the said tangible personal 23 property or to some other person.

(6) BUSINESS. All activities engaged in, or caused
to be engaged in, with the object of gain, profit, benefit or
advantage, either direct or indirect, and not excepting
subactivities producing marketable commodities used or

consumed in the main business activity, each of which
 subactivities shall be considered business engaged in, taxable
 in the class in which it falls.

4 (7) STORAGE. Any keeping or retention in this state
5 for any purpose except sale in the regular course of business
6 or subsequent use solely outside this state of tangible
7 personal property purchased at retail.

8 (8) USE. The exercise of any right or power over 9 tangible personal property incident to the ownership of that 10 property, or by any transaction where possession is given, 11 except that it shall not include the sale of that property in 12 the regular course of business.

(9) PURCHASE. Acquired for a consideration, whether such acquisition was effected by a transfer of title, or of possession or of both, or a license to use or consume; whether such transfer shall have been absolute or conditional, and by whatsoever means the same shall have been effected; and whether such consideration be a price or rental in money, or by way of exchange or barter.

(10) SALES PRICE. The total amount for which 20 21 tangible personal property is sold, including any services, 22 including transportation, that are a part of the sale, valued 23 in money, whether paid in money or otherwise, and includes any 24 amount for which credit is given to the purchaser by the 25 seller, without any deduction therefrom on account of the cost of the property sold, the cost of the materials used, labor or 26 27 service cost, interest charged, losses or any other expenses

whatsoever; provided, that cash discounts allowed and taken on sales shall not be included and sales price shall not include the amount charged for property returned by customers when the entire amount charged therefor is refunded either in cash or by credit.

6 (11) IN THIS STATE or IN THE STATE. Within the 7 exterior limits of the State of Alabama, and includes all 8 territory within such limits owned by or ceded to the United 9 States of America.

(12) AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE. A power shovel, dragline,
 crawler, crawler crane, ditcher or any similar machine which
 is self-propelled, in addition to self-propelled machines
 which are used primarily as instruments of conveyance.

14 (13) PREPAID TELEPHONE CALLING CARD. A sale of a 15 prepaid telephone calling card or a prepaid authorization 16 number, or both, shall be deemed the sale of tangible personal 17 property subject to the tax imposed pursuant to this chapter. For purposes of this subdivision (13), the sale of prepaid 18 wireless service that is evidenced by a physical card 19 constitutes the sale of a prepaid telephone calling card, and 20 21 the sale of prepaid wireless service that is not evidenced by 22 a physical card constitutes the sale of a prepaid 23 authorization number.

24 (14) PREPAID WIRELESS SERVICE. The right to use
 25 mobile telecommunications service, which must be paid for in
 26 advance and that is sold in predetermined units or dollars of
 27 which the number declines with use or the expiration of time

1 in a known amount, and which may include rights to use 2 non-telecommunications services or to download digital products or digital content. For purposes of this subdivision 3 4 (14), "mobile telecommunications service" has the meaning ascribed by Section 40-21-120. 5 (14) (15) REMOTE USE TAX. Amounts collected from out 6 7 of state vendors who, on October 1, 2012, were or would have been remote sellers as defined in Section 40-23-171; and 8 amounts remitted by consumers on the individual tax return. 9 10 Section 3. The provisions of this act are severable. If any part of this act is declared invalid or 11 12 unconstitutional, that declaration shall not affect the part which remains. 13 Section 4. All laws or parts of laws which conflict 14 15 with this act are repealed. Section 5. The amendments in this act are intended 16 17 to clarify existing law and are not substantive changes to the tax law. For that reason, the amendments should be applied to 18 all open tax periods. 19 Section 6. For transactions that occurred prior to 20 21 the effective date of this act in which the consumer did not 22 receive from the retailer either an authorization number or a 23 physical card, neither the Department of Revenue nor local tax 24 officials may seek payment for sales tax not collected. This 25 limitation on the authority of the department or local officials shall not apply to audits that began or assessments 26 27 that were entered prior to the effective date of this act.

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6 first day of the third month following its passage and
7 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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3	House of Representatives
4 5 6 7 8	Read for the first time and re- ferred to the House of Representa- tives committee on Ways and Means Education
9 10 11	Read for the second time and placed on the calendar
12 13 14	Read for the third time and passed as amended 20-FEB-14 Yeas 100, Nays 0, Abstains 1

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