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HOUSE BILL NO. 429

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BY REPRESENTATIVE MAGEE

TAX/SALES & USE: (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes a commission for remote sellers to remit local sales and use taxes to local tax collectors

A JOINT RESOLUTION

2	Proposing to add Article VII, Section 3(C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to
3	remittance of local sales and use tax; to authorize a commission for remote sellers
4	to remit local sales and use tax on behalf of dealers; to provide for definitions; to
5	provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide
6	for related matters.
7	Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members
8	elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of
9	Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add
10	Article VII, Section 3(C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:
11	§3. Collection of Taxes
12	Section 3.
13	* * *
14	(C) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this constitution, any dealer,
15	as defined by law, that owes sales and use tax may allow a commission for remote
16	sellers to remit local sales and use tax to local single collectors or central collection
17	commissions on its behalf. For the purposes of this Section "commission for remote
18	sellers" means a commission established by law within the Department of Revenue
19	or its successor for the purpose of administration and collection of sales and use tax
20	imposed by the state and political subdivisions with respect to remote sales.

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1 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 3, 2 3 2020. 4 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election, 5 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted 6 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as 7 follows: 8 Do you support an amendment to authorize dealers owing local sales and use 9 taxes to remit the taxes owed to local sales and use tax collectors through a 10 commission that administers and collects sales and use taxes related to 11 remote sales? (Adds Article VII, Section 3(C))

## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes dealers to remit local sales and use tax to local sales and use tax collectors through a commission for remote sellers.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that the legislature shall prohibit any process to restrain the collection of any tax.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that the legislature, by local law enacted by 2/3 of the legislature, may establish an alternate method of providing for a single collector or a central collection commission in each parish.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that local sales and use tax is to be collected by a local single collector or central collections commission.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> retains <u>present constitution</u> but allows dealers owing local sales and use taxes to remit the taxes owed to local sales and use tax collectors through a commission for remote sellers.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> defines a "commission for remote sellers" as a commission established by law within the Department of Revenue or its successor for the purpose of administration and collection of sales and use tax imposed by the state and political subdivisions with respect to remote sales.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 3, 2020.

(Adds Const. Art. VII, § 3(C))

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