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Committee:

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections
2 77-2701.02, 77-2701.36, 77-2701.41, 77-2704.26, 77-2704.45, 77-2713,
3 77-27,132, and 77-27,223, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and
4 sections 77-2701, 77-2701.04, 77-2701.16, 77-2701.32, 77-2703,
5 77-2703.01, and 77-2711, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019; to
6 change the sales tax rate; to define and redefine terms; to impose
7 sales and use taxes on additional services as prescribed; to
8 harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal
9 the original sections.
10 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 77-2701, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
2 amended to read:

3 77-2701 Sections 77-2701 to 77-27,135.01, 77-27,222, 77-27,235,
4 77-27,236, 77-27,238, and 77-27,239 and section 7 of this act shall be
5 known and may be cited as the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967.

6 Sec. 2. Section 77-2701.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
7 amended to read:

8 77-2701.02 Pursuant to section 77-2715.01:

9 (1) Until July 1, 1998, the rate of the sales tax levied pursuant to
10 section 77-2703 shall be five percent;

11 (2) Commencing July 1, 1998, and until July 1, 1999, the rate of the
12 sales tax levied pursuant to section 77-2703 shall be four and one-half
13 percent;

14 (3) Commencing July 1, 1999, and until the start of the first
15 calendar quarter after July 20, 2002, the rate of the sales tax levied
16 pursuant to section 77-2703 shall be five percent;~~and~~

17 (4) Commencing on the start of the first calendar quarter after July
18 20, 2002, and until October 1, 2021, the rate of the sales tax levied
19 pursuant to section 77-2703 shall be five and one-half percent; and -

20 (5) Commencing October 1, 2021, the rate of the sales tax levied
21 pursuant to section 77-2703 shall be four percent. At the beginning of
22 each of the next four calendar quarters thereafter, the Tax Commissioner
23 shall adjust the sales tax rate to a rate that is estimated to provide
24 approximately the same amount of sales and use tax revenue for the state
25 as would have been generated had the changes to the sales tax base made
26 by this legislative bill not gone into effect. The adjustments required
27 under this subdivision shall occur on the following schedule:

28 (a) On January 1, 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall determine the
29 adjusted rate, and such adjusted rate shall take effect on April 1, 2022;

30 (b) On April 1, 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall redetermine the
31 adjusted rate, and such adjusted rate shall take effect on July 1, 2022;

1 (c) On July 1, 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall again redetermine
2 the adjusted rate, and such adjusted rate shall take effect on October 1,
3 2022; and

4 (d) On October 1, 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall again redetermine
5 the adjusted rate, and such adjusted rate shall take effect on January 1,
6 2023.

7 Sec. 3. Section 77-2701.04, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
8 amended to read:

9 77-2701.04 For purposes of sections 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and
10 77-27,239 and section 7 of this act, unless the context otherwise
11 requires, the definitions found in sections 77-2701.05 to 77-2701.55 and
12 section 7 of this act shall be used.

13 Sec. 4. Section 77-2701.16, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
14 amended to read:

15 77-2701.16 (1) Gross receipts means the total amount of the sale or
16 lease or rental price, as the case may be, of the retail sales of
17 retailers.

18 (2) Gross receipts of every person engaged as a public utility
19 specified in this subsection, as a community antenna television service
20 operator, or as a satellite service operator or any person involved in
21 connecting and installing services defined in subdivision (2)(a), (b), or
22 (d) of this section means:

23 (a)(i) In the furnishing of telephone communication service, other
24 than mobile telecommunications service as described in section
25 77-2703.04, the gross income received from furnishing ancillary services,
26 except for conference bridging services, and intrastate
27 telecommunications services, except for value-added, nonvoice data
28 service.

29 (ii) In the furnishing of mobile telecommunications service as
30 described in section 77-2703.04, the gross income received from
31 furnishing mobile telecommunications service that originates and

1 terminates in the same state to a customer with a place of primary use in
2 Nebraska;

3 (b) In the furnishing of telegraph service, the gross income
4 received from the furnishing of intrastate telegraph services;

5 (c)(i) In the furnishing of gas, sewer, water, and electricity
6 service, other than electricity service to a customer-generator as
7 defined in section 70-2002, the gross income received from the furnishing
8 of such services upon billings or statements rendered to consumers for
9 such utility services.

10 (ii) In the furnishing of electricity service to a customer-
11 generator as defined in section 70-2002, the net energy use upon billings
12 or statements rendered to customer-generators for such electricity
13 service;

14 (d) In the furnishing of community antenna television service or
15 satellite service, the gross income received from the furnishing of such
16 community antenna television service as regulated under sections 18-2201
17 to 18-2205 or 23-383 to 23-388 or satellite service; and

18 (e) The gross income received from the provision, installation,
19 construction, servicing, or removal of property used in conjunction with
20 the furnishing, installing, or connecting of any public utility services
21 specified in subdivision (2)(a) or (b) of this section or community
22 antenna television service or satellite service specified in subdivision
23 (2)(d) of this section, except when acting as a subcontractor for a
24 public utility, this subdivision does not apply to the gross income
25 received by a contractor electing to be treated as a consumer of building
26 materials under subdivision (2) or (3) of section 77-2701.10 for any such
27 services performed on the customer's side of the utility demarcation
28 point. This subdivision also does not apply to the gross income received
29 by a political subdivision of the state for the lease or use of electric
30 generation, transmission, distribution, or street lighting structures or
31 facilities owned by a political subdivision of the state.

1 (3) Gross receipts of every person engaged in selling, leasing, or
2 otherwise providing intellectual or entertainment property means:

3 (a) In the furnishing of computer software, the gross income
4 received, including the charges for coding, punching, or otherwise
5 producing any computer software and the charges for the tapes, disks,
6 punched cards, or other properties furnished by the seller; and

7 (b) In the furnishing of videotapes, movie film, satellite
8 programming, satellite programming service, and satellite television
9 signal descrambling or decoding devices, the gross income received from
10 the license, franchise, or other method establishing the charge.

11 (4) Gross receipts includes the gross income received for providing
12 a service. Services shall be presumed taxable unless a specific sales tax
13 exemption applies. for providing a service means:

14 ~~(a) The gross income received for building cleaning and maintenance,~~
15 ~~pest control, and security;~~

16 ~~(b) The gross income received for motor vehicle washing, waxing,~~
17 ~~towing, and painting;~~

18 ~~(c) The gross income received for computer software training;~~

19 ~~(d) The gross income received for installing and applying tangible~~
20 ~~personal property if the sale of the property is subject to tax. If any~~
21 ~~or all of the charge for installation is free to the customer and is paid~~
22 ~~by a third-party service provider to the installer, any tax due on that~~
23 ~~part of the activation commission, finder's fee, installation charge, or~~
24 ~~similar payment made by the third-party service provider shall be paid~~
25 ~~and remitted by the third-party service provider;~~

26 ~~(e) The gross income received for services of recreational vehicle~~
27 ~~parks;~~

28 ~~(f) The gross income received for labor for repair or maintenance~~
29 ~~services performed with regard to tangible personal property the sale of~~
30 ~~which would be subject to sales and use taxes, excluding motor vehicles,~~
31 ~~except as otherwise provided in section 77-2704.26 or 77-2704.50;~~

1 ~~(g) The gross income received for animal specialty services except~~
2 ~~(i) veterinary services, (ii) specialty services performed on livestock~~
3 ~~as defined in section 54-183, and (iii) animal grooming performed by a~~
4 ~~licensed veterinarian or a licensed veterinary technician in conjunction~~
5 ~~with medical treatment; and~~

6 ~~(h) The gross income received for detective services.~~

7 (5) Gross receipts includes the sale of admissions. When an
8 admission to an activity or a membership constituting an admission is
9 combined with the solicitation of a contribution, the portion or the
10 amount charged representing the fair market price of the admission shall
11 be considered a retail sale subject to the tax imposed by section
12 77-2703. The organization conducting the activity shall determine the
13 amount properly attributable to the purchase of the privilege, benefit,
14 or other consideration in advance, and such amount shall be clearly
15 indicated on any ticket, receipt, or other evidence issued in connection
16 with the payment.

17 (6) Gross receipts includes the sale of live plants incorporated
18 into real estate except when such incorporation is incidental to the
19 transfer of an improvement upon real estate or the real estate.

20 (7) Gross receipts includes the sale of any building materials
21 annexed to real estate by a person electing to be taxed as a retailer
22 pursuant to subdivision (1) of section 77-2701.10.

23 (8) Gross receipts includes the sale of and recharge of prepaid
24 calling service and prepaid wireless calling service.

25 (9) Gross receipts includes the retail sale of digital audio works,
26 digital audiovisual works, digital codes, and digital books delivered
27 electronically if the products are taxable when delivered on tangible
28 storage media. A sale includes the transfer of a permanent right of use,
29 the transfer of a right of use that terminates on some condition, and the
30 transfer of a right of use conditioned upon the receipt of continued
31 payments.

1 (10) Gross receipts includes any receipts from sales of tangible
2 personal property made over a multivendor marketplace platform that acts
3 as the intermediary by facilitating sales between a seller and the
4 purchaser and that, either directly or indirectly through agreements or
5 arrangements with third parties, collects payment from the purchaser and
6 transmits payment to the seller.

7 (11) Gross receipts does not include:

8 (a) The amount of any rebate granted by a motor vehicle or motorboat
9 manufacturer or dealer at the time of sale of the motor vehicle or
10 motorboat, which rebate functions as a discount from the sales price of
11 the motor vehicle or motorboat; or

12 (b) The price of property or services returned or rejected by
13 customers when the full sales price is refunded either in cash or credit.

14 Sec. 5. Section 77-2701.32, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
15 amended to read:

16 77-2701.32 (1) Retailer means any seller.

17 (2) To facilitate the proper administration of the Nebraska Revenue
18 Act of 1967, the following persons have the duties and responsibilities
19 of sellers for the purposes of sales and use taxes:

20 (a) Any person in the business of making sales subject to tax under
21 section 77-2703 at auction of property owned by the person or others;

22 (b) Any person collecting the proceeds of the auction, other than
23 the owner of the property, together with his or her principal, if any,
24 when the person collecting the proceeds of the auction is not the
25 auctioneer or an agent or employee of the auctioneer. The seller does not
26 include the auctioneer in such case;

27 (c) Every person who has elected to be considered a retailer
28 pursuant to subdivision (1) of section 77-2701.10;

29 (d) Every person operating, organizing, or promoting a flea market,
30 craft show, fair, or similar event; and

31 ~~(e) Every person engaged in the business of providing any service~~

1 ~~defined in subsection (4) of section 77-2701.16; and~~

2 (e) ~~(f)~~ Every person operating a multivendor marketplace platform
3 that (i) acts as the intermediary by facilitating sales between a seller
4 and the purchaser or that engages directly or indirectly through one or
5 more affiliated persons in transmitting or otherwise communicating the
6 offer or acceptance between the seller and purchaser and (ii) either
7 directly or indirectly through agreements or arrangements with third
8 parties, collects payment from the purchaser and transmits payment to the
9 seller.

10 (3) For the proper administration of the Nebraska Revenue Act of
11 1967, the following persons do not have the duties and responsibilities
12 of a seller for purposes of sales and use taxes:

13 (a) Any person who leases or rents films when an admission tax is
14 charged under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967;

15 (b) Any person who leases or rents railroad rolling stock
16 interchanged pursuant to the provisions of the federal Interstate
17 Commerce Act;

18 (c) Any person engaged in the business of furnishing rooms in a
19 facility licensed under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act in which
20 rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for a
21 consideration or a facility operated by an educational institution
22 established under Chapter 79 or Chapter 85 in which rooms are regularly
23 used to house students for a consideration for periods in excess of
24 thirty days;

25 (d) Any person making sales at a flea market, craft show, fair, or
26 similar event when such person does not have a sales tax permit and has
27 arranged to pay sales taxes collected to the person operating,
28 organizing, or promoting such event; or

29 (e) Any payment processor appointed by a retailer whose sole
30 activity with regard to a sale or lease transaction is to process the
31 payment made from the customer to the retailer.

1 Sec. 6. Section 77-2701.36, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 77-2701.36 Seller includes (1) every person engaged in the business
4 of selling, leasing, or renting property of a kind the gross receipts
5 from the retail sale, lease, or rental of which are required to be
6 included in the measure of the sales tax and (2) every person engaged in
7 the business of providing services the gross receipts from the retail
8 sale of which are required to be included in the measure of the sales
9 tax.

10 Sec. 7. Service includes all activities that are engaged in for
11 other persons for a consideration and that involve predominantly the
12 performance of a service as distinguished from selling or leasing
13 tangible personal property. The term does not include services rendered
14 by an employee to his or her employer. In determining what is a service,
15 the intended use, principal objective, or ultimate objective of the
16 contracting parties shall not be controlling.

17 Sec. 8. Section 77-2701.41, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
18 amended to read:

19 77-2701.41 Taxpayer means any person subject to a tax imposed by
20 sections 77-2701 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this act.

21 Sec. 9. Section 77-2703, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
22 amended to read:

23 77-2703 (1) There is hereby imposed a tax at the rate provided in
24 section 77-2701.02 upon the gross receipts from all sales of tangible
25 personal property sold at retail in this state; the gross receipts of
26 every person engaged as a public utility, as a community antenna
27 television service operator, or as a satellite service operator, any
28 person involved in the connecting and installing of the services defined
29 in subdivision (2)(a), (b), (d), or (e) of section 77-2701.16, or every
30 person engaged as a retailer of intellectual or entertainment properties
31 referred to in subsection (3) of section 77-2701.16; the gross receipts

1 from the sale of admissions in this state; the gross receipts from the
2 sale of warranties, guarantees, service agreements, or maintenance
3 agreements when the items covered are subject to tax under this section;
4 beginning January 1, 2008, the gross receipts from the sale of bundled
5 transactions when one or more of the products included in the bundle are
6 taxable; the gross receipts from the provision of services in this state
7 ~~defined in subsection (4) of section 77-2701.16~~; and the gross receipts
8 from the sale of products delivered electronically as described in
9 subsection (9) of section 77-2701.16. Except as provided in section
10 77-2701.03, when there is a sale, the tax shall be imposed at the rate in
11 effect at the time the gross receipts are realized under the accounting
12 basis used by the retailer to maintain his or her books and records.

13 (a) The tax imposed by this section shall be collected by the
14 retailer from the consumer. It shall constitute a part of the purchase
15 price and until collected shall be a debt from the consumer to the
16 retailer and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as other
17 debts. The tax required to be collected by the retailer from the consumer
18 constitutes a debt owed by the retailer to this state.

19 (b) It is unlawful for any retailer to advertise, hold out, or state
20 to the public or to any customer, directly or indirectly, that the tax or
21 part thereof will be assumed or absorbed by the retailer, that it will
22 not be added to the selling, renting, or leasing price of the property
23 sold, rented, or leased, or that, if added, it or any part thereof will
24 be refunded. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a
25 public utility.

26 (c) The tax required to be collected by the retailer from the
27 purchaser, unless otherwise provided by statute or by rule and regulation
28 of the Tax Commissioner, shall be displayed separately from the list
29 price, the price advertised in the premises, the marked price, or other
30 price on the sales check or other proof of sales, rentals, or leases.

31 (d) For the purpose of more efficiently securing the payment,

1 collection, and accounting for the sales tax and for the convenience of
2 the retailer in collecting the sales tax, it shall be the duty of the Tax
3 Commissioner to provide a schedule or schedules of the amounts to be
4 collected from the consumer or user to effectuate the computation and
5 collection of the tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. Such
6 schedule or schedules shall provide that the tax shall be collected from
7 the consumer or user uniformly on sales according to brackets based on
8 sales prices of the item or items. Retailers may compute the tax due on
9 any transaction on an item or an invoice basis. The rounding rule
10 provided in section 77-3,117 applies.

11 (e) The use of tokens or stamps for the purpose of collecting or
12 enforcing the collection of the taxes imposed in the Nebraska Revenue Act
13 of 1967 or for any other purpose in connection with such taxes is
14 prohibited.

15 (f) For the purpose of the proper administration of the provisions
16 of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 and to prevent evasion of the retail
17 sales tax, it shall be presumed that all gross receipts are subject to
18 the tax until the contrary is established. The burden of proving that a
19 sale of property is not a sale at retail is upon the person who makes the
20 sale unless he or she takes from the purchaser (i) a resale certificate
21 to the effect that the property is purchased for the purpose of
22 reselling, leasing, or renting it, (ii) an exemption certificate pursuant
23 to subsection (7) of section 77-2705, or (iii) a direct payment permit
24 pursuant to sections 77-2705.01 to 77-2705.03. Receipt of a resale
25 certificate, exemption certificate, or direct payment permit shall be
26 conclusive proof for the seller that the sale was made for resale or was
27 exempt or that the tax will be paid directly to the state.

28 (g) In the rental or lease of automobiles, trucks, trailers,
29 semitrailers, and truck-tractors as defined in the Motor Vehicle
30 Registration Act, the tax shall be collected by the lessor on the rental
31 or lease price, except as otherwise provided within this section.

1 (h) In the rental or lease of automobiles, trucks, trailers,
2 semitrailers, and truck-tractors as defined in the act, for periods of
3 one year or more, the lessor may elect not to collect and remit the sales
4 tax on the gross receipts and instead pay a sales tax on the cost of such
5 vehicle. If such election is made, it shall be made pursuant to the
6 following conditions:

7 (i) Notice of the desire to make such election shall be filed with
8 the Tax Commissioner and shall not become effective until the Tax
9 Commissioner is satisfied that the taxpayer has complied with all
10 conditions of this subsection and all rules and regulations of the Tax
11 Commissioner;

12 (ii) Such election when made shall continue in force and effect for
13 a period of not less than two years and thereafter until such time as the
14 lessor elects to terminate the election;

15 (iii) When such election is made, it shall apply to all vehicles of
16 the lessor rented or leased for periods of one year or more except
17 vehicles to be leased to common or contract carriers who provide to the
18 lessor a valid common or contract carrier exemption certificate. If the
19 lessor rents or leases other vehicles for periods of less than one year,
20 such lessor shall maintain his or her books and records and his or her
21 accounting procedure as the Tax Commissioner prescribes; and

22 (iv) The Tax Commissioner by rule and regulation shall prescribe the
23 contents and form of the notice of election, a procedure for the
24 determination of the tax base of vehicles which are under an existing
25 lease at the time such election becomes effective, the method and manner
26 for terminating such election, and such other rules and regulations as
27 may be necessary for the proper administration of this subdivision.

28 (i) The tax imposed by this section on the sales of motor vehicles,
29 semitrailers, and trailers as defined in sections 60-339, 60-348, and
30 60-354 shall be the liability of the purchaser and, with the exception of
31 motor vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers registered pursuant to section

1 60-3,198, the tax shall be collected by the county treasurer as provided
2 in the Motor Vehicle Registration Act or by an approved licensed dealer
3 participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to
4 section 60-1507 at the time the purchaser makes application for the
5 registration of the motor vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer for operation
6 upon the highways of this state. The tax imposed by this section on motor
7 vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers registered pursuant to section
8 60-3,198 shall be collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles at the
9 time the purchaser makes application for the registration of the motor
10 vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer for operation upon the highways of this
11 state. At the time of the sale of any motor vehicle, semitrailer, or
12 trailer, the seller shall (i) state on the sales invoice the dollar
13 amount of the tax imposed under this section and (ii) furnish to the
14 purchaser a certified statement of the transaction, in such form as the
15 Tax Commissioner prescribes, setting forth as a minimum the total sales
16 price, the allowance for any trade-in, and the difference between the
17 two. The sales tax due shall be computed on the difference between the
18 total sales price and the allowance for any trade-in as disclosed by such
19 certified statement. Any seller who willfully understates the amount upon
20 which the sales tax is due shall be subject to a penalty of one thousand
21 dollars. A copy of such certified statement shall also be furnished to
22 the Tax Commissioner. Any seller who fails or refuses to furnish such
23 certified statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon
24 conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five
25 dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. If the purchaser does not
26 register such motor vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer for operation on the
27 highways of this state within thirty days of the purchase thereof, the
28 tax imposed by this section shall immediately thereafter be paid by the
29 purchaser to the county treasurer or the Department of Motor Vehicles. If
30 the tax is not paid on or before the thirtieth day after its purchase,
31 the county treasurer or Department of Motor Vehicles shall also collect

1 from the purchaser interest from the thirtieth day through the date of
2 payment and sales tax penalties as provided in the Nebraska Revenue Act
3 of 1967. The county treasurer or Department of Motor Vehicles shall
4 report and remit the tax so collected to the Tax Commissioner by the
5 fifteenth day of the following month. The county treasurer, for his or
6 her collection fee, shall deduct and withhold, from all amounts required
7 to be collected under this subsection, the collection fee permitted to be
8 deducted by any retailer collecting the sales tax, all of which shall be
9 deposited in the county general fund, plus an additional amount equal to
10 one-half of one percent of all amounts in excess of six thousand dollars
11 remitted each month. Prior to January 1, 2023, fifty percent of such
12 additional amount shall be deposited in the county general fund and fifty
13 percent of such additional amount shall be deposited in the county road
14 fund. On and after January 1, 2023, seventy-five percent of such
15 additional amount shall be deposited in the county general fund and
16 twenty-five percent of such additional amount shall be deposited in the
17 county road fund. In any county with a population of one hundred fifty
18 thousand inhabitants or more, the county treasurer shall remit one dollar
19 of his or her collection fee for each of the first five thousand motor
20 vehicles, semitrailers, or trailers registered with such county treasurer
21 on or after January 1, 2020, to the State Treasurer for credit to the
22 Department of Revenue Enforcement Fund. The Department of Motor Vehicles,
23 for its collection fee, shall deduct, withhold, and deposit in the Motor
24 Carrier Division Cash Fund the collection fee permitted to be deducted by
25 any retailer collecting the sales tax. The collection fee for the county
26 treasurer or the Department of Motor Vehicles shall be forfeited if the
27 county treasurer or department violates any rule or regulation pertaining
28 to the collection of the use tax.

29 (j)(i) The tax imposed by this section on the sale of a motorboat as
30 defined in section 37-1204 shall be the liability of the purchaser. The
31 tax shall be collected by the county treasurer at the time the purchaser

1 makes application for the registration of the motorboat. At the time of
2 the sale of a motorboat, the seller shall (A) state on the sales invoice
3 the dollar amount of the tax imposed under this section and (B) furnish
4 to the purchaser a certified statement of the transaction, in such form
5 as the Tax Commissioner prescribes, setting forth as a minimum the total
6 sales price, the allowance for any trade-in, and the difference between
7 the two. The sales tax due shall be computed on the difference between
8 the total sales price and the allowance for any trade-in as disclosed by
9 such certified statement. Any seller who willfully understates the amount
10 upon which the sales tax is due shall be subject to a penalty of one
11 thousand dollars. A copy of such certified statement shall also be
12 furnished to the Tax Commissioner. Any seller who fails or refuses to
13 furnish such certified statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and
14 shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than
15 twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. If the purchaser
16 does not register such motorboat within thirty days of the purchase
17 thereof, the tax imposed by this section shall immediately thereafter be
18 paid by the purchaser to the county treasurer. If the tax is not paid on
19 or before the thirtieth day after its purchase, the county treasurer
20 shall also collect from the purchaser interest from the thirtieth day
21 through the date of payment and sales tax penalties as provided in the
22 Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. The county treasurer shall report and remit
23 the tax so collected to the Tax Commissioner by the fifteenth day of the
24 following month. The county treasurer, for his or her collection fee,
25 shall deduct and withhold for the use of the county general fund, from
26 all amounts required to be collected under this subsection, the
27 collection fee permitted to be deducted by any retailer collecting the
28 sales tax. The collection fee shall be forfeited if the county treasurer
29 violates any rule or regulation pertaining to the collection of the use
30 tax.

31 (ii) In the rental or lease of motorboats, the tax shall be

1 collected by the lessor on the rental or lease price.

2 (k)(i) The tax imposed by this section on the sale of an all-terrain
3 vehicle as defined in section 60-103 or a utility-type vehicle as defined
4 in section 60-135.01 shall be the liability of the purchaser. The tax
5 shall be collected by the county treasurer or by an approved licensed
6 dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to
7 section 60-1507 at the time the purchaser makes application for the
8 certificate of title for the all-terrain vehicle or utility-type vehicle.
9 At the time of the sale of an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type
10 vehicle, the seller shall (A) state on the sales invoice the dollar
11 amount of the tax imposed under this section and (B) furnish to the
12 purchaser a certified statement of the transaction, in such form as the
13 Tax Commissioner prescribes, setting forth as a minimum the total sales
14 price, the allowance for any trade-in, and the difference between the
15 two. The sales tax due shall be computed on the difference between the
16 total sales price and the allowance for any trade-in as disclosed by such
17 certified statement. Any seller who willfully understates the amount upon
18 which the sales tax is due shall be subject to a penalty of one thousand
19 dollars. A copy of such certified statement shall also be furnished to
20 the Tax Commissioner. Any seller who fails or refuses to furnish such
21 certified statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon
22 conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five
23 dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. If the purchaser does not
24 obtain a certificate of title for such all-terrain vehicle or utility-
25 type vehicle within thirty days of the purchase thereof, the tax imposed
26 by this section shall immediately thereafter be paid by the purchaser to
27 the county treasurer. If the tax is not paid on or before the thirtieth
28 day after its purchase, the county treasurer shall also collect from the
29 purchaser interest from the thirtieth day through the date of payment and
30 sales tax penalties as provided in the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. The
31 county treasurer shall report and remit the tax so collected to the Tax

1 Commissioner by the fifteenth day of the following month. The county
2 treasurer, for his or her collection fee, shall deduct and withhold for
3 the use of the county general fund, from all amounts required to be
4 collected under this subsection, the collection fee permitted to be
5 deducted by any retailer collecting the sales tax. The collection fee
6 shall be forfeited if the county treasurer violates any rule or
7 regulation pertaining to the collection of the use tax.

8 (ii) In the rental or lease of an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-
9 type vehicle, the tax shall be collected by the lessor on the rental or
10 lease price.

11 (iii) County treasurers are appointed as sales and use tax
12 collectors for all sales of all-terrain vehicles or utility-type vehicles
13 made outside of this state to purchasers or users of all-terrain vehicles
14 or utility-type vehicles which are required to have a certificate of
15 title in this state. The county treasurer shall collect the applicable
16 use tax from the purchaser of an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type
17 vehicle purchased outside of this state at the time application for a
18 certificate of title is made. The full use tax on the purchase price
19 shall be collected by the county treasurer if a sales or occupation tax
20 was not paid by the purchaser in the state of purchase. If a sales or
21 occupation tax was lawfully paid in the state of purchase at a rate less
22 than the tax imposed in this state, use tax must be collected on the
23 difference as a condition for obtaining a certificate of title in this
24 state.

25 (1) The Tax Commissioner shall adopt and promulgate necessary rules
26 and regulations for determining the amount subject to the taxes imposed
27 by this section so as to insure that the full amount of any applicable
28 tax is paid in cases in which a sale is made of which a part is subject
29 to the taxes imposed by this section and a part of which is not so
30 subject and a separate accounting is not practical or economical.

31 (2) A use tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use, or other

1 consumption in this state of property purchased, leased, or rented from
2 any retailer and on any transaction the gross receipts of which are
3 subject to tax under subsection (1) of this section on or after June 1,
4 1967, for storage, use, or other consumption in this state at the rate
5 set as provided in subsection (1) of this section on the sales price of
6 the property or, in the case of leases or rentals, of the lease or rental
7 prices.

8 (a) Every person storing, using, or otherwise consuming in this
9 state property purchased from a retailer or leased or rented from another
10 person for such purpose shall be liable for the use tax at the rate in
11 effect when his or her liability for the use tax becomes certain under
12 the accounting basis used to maintain his or her books and records. His
13 or her liability shall not be extinguished until the use tax has been
14 paid to this state, except that a receipt from a retailer engaged in
15 business in this state or from a retailer who is authorized by the Tax
16 Commissioner, under such rules and regulations as he or she may
17 prescribe, to collect the sales tax and who is, for the purposes of the
18 Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 relating to the sales tax, regarded as a
19 retailer engaged in business in this state, which receipt is given to the
20 purchaser pursuant to subdivision (b) of this subsection, shall be
21 sufficient to relieve the purchaser from further liability for the tax to
22 which the receipt refers.

23 (b) Every retailer engaged in business in this state and selling,
24 leasing, or renting property for storage, use, or other consumption in
25 this state shall, at the time of making any sale, collect any tax which
26 may be due from the purchaser and shall give to the purchaser, upon
27 request, a receipt therefor in the manner and form prescribed by the Tax
28 Commissioner.

29 (c) The Tax Commissioner, in order to facilitate the proper
30 administration of the use tax, may designate such person or persons as he
31 or she may deem necessary to be use tax collectors and delegate to such

1 persons such authority as is necessary to collect any use tax which is
2 due and payable to the State of Nebraska. The Tax Commissioner may
3 require of all persons so designated a surety bond in favor of the State
4 of Nebraska to insure against any misappropriation of state funds so
5 collected. The Tax Commissioner may require any tax official, city,
6 county, or state, to collect the use tax on behalf of the state. All
7 persons designated to or required to collect the use tax shall account
8 for such collections in the manner prescribed by the Tax Commissioner.
9 Nothing in this subdivision shall be so construed as to prevent the Tax
10 Commissioner or his or her employees from collecting any use taxes due
11 and payable to the State of Nebraska.

12 (d) All persons designated to collect the use tax and all persons
13 required to collect the use tax shall forward the total of such
14 collections to the Tax Commissioner at such time and in such manner as
15 the Tax Commissioner may prescribe. For all use taxes collected prior to
16 October 1, 2002, such collectors of the use tax shall deduct and withhold
17 from the amount of taxes collected two and one-half percent of the first
18 three thousand dollars remitted each month and one-half of one percent of
19 all amounts in excess of three thousand dollars remitted each month as
20 reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax. For use taxes collected
21 on and after October 1, 2002, such collectors of the use tax shall deduct
22 and withhold from the amount of taxes collected two and one-half percent
23 of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement
24 for the cost of collecting the tax. Any such deduction shall be forfeited
25 to the State of Nebraska if such collector violates any rule, regulation,
26 or directive of the Tax Commissioner.

27 (e) For the purpose of the proper administration of the Nebraska
28 Revenue Act of 1967 and to prevent evasion of the use tax, it shall be
29 presumed that property sold, leased, or rented by any person for delivery
30 in this state is sold, leased, or rented for storage, use, or other
31 consumption in this state until the contrary is established. The burden

1 of proving the contrary is upon the person who purchases, leases, or
2 rents the property.

3 (f) For the purpose of the proper administration of the Nebraska
4 Revenue Act of 1967 and to prevent evasion of the use tax, for the sale
5 of property to an advertising agency which purchases the property as an
6 agent for a disclosed or undisclosed principal, the advertising agency is
7 and remains liable for the sales and use tax on the purchase the same as
8 if the principal had made the purchase directly.

9 Sec. 10. Section 77-2703.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
10 amended to read:

11 77-2703.01 (1) The determination of whether a sale or use of
12 property or the provision of services is in this state, in a municipality
13 that has adopted a tax under the Local Option Revenue Act, or in a county
14 that has adopted a tax under section 13-319 or 77-6403 shall be governed
15 by the sourcing rules in sections 77-2703.01 to 77-2703.04.

16 (2) When the property or service is received by the purchaser at a
17 business location of the retailer, the sale is sourced to that business
18 location.

19 (3) When the property or service is not received by the purchaser at
20 a business location of the retailer, the sale is sourced to the location
21 where receipt by the purchaser or the purchaser's donee, designated as
22 such by the purchaser, occurs, including the location indicated by
23 instructions for delivery to the purchaser or donee, known to the
24 retailer.

25 (4) When subsection (2) or (3) of this section does not apply, the
26 sale is sourced to the location indicated by an address or other
27 information for the purchaser that is available from the business records
28 of the retailer that are maintained in the ordinary course of the
29 retailer's business when use of this address does not constitute bad
30 faith.

31 (5) When subsection (2), (3), or (4) of this section does not apply,

1 the sale is sourced to the location indicated by an address for the
2 purchaser obtained during the consummation of the sale, including the
3 address of a purchaser's payment instrument, if no other address is
4 available, when use of this address does not constitute bad faith.

5 (6) When subsection (2), (3), (4), or (5) of this section does not
6 apply, including the circumstance in which the retailer is without
7 sufficient information to apply the rules in any such subsection, then
8 the location will be determined by the address from which property was
9 shipped, from which the digital good was first available for transmission
10 by the retailer, or from which the service was provided disregarding for
11 these purposes any location that merely provided the digital transfer of
12 the product sold.

13 (7) The lease or rental of tangible personal property, other than
14 property identified in subsection (8) or (9) of this section, shall be
15 sourced as follows:

16 (a) For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic payments,
17 the first periodic payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in
18 accordance with the provisions of subsections (2) through (6) of this
19 section. Periodic payments made subsequent to the first payment are
20 sourced to the primary property location for each period covered by the
21 payment. The primary property location shall be as indicated by an
22 address for the property provided by the lessee that is available to the
23 lessor from its records maintained in the ordinary course of business
24 when use of this address does not constitute bad faith. The property
25 location shall not be altered by intermittent use at different locations,
26 such as use of business property that accompanies employees on business
27 trips and service calls; and

28 (b) For a lease or rental that does not require recurring periodic
29 payments, the payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in accordance
30 with the provisions of subsections (2) through (6) of this section.

31 This subsection does not affect the imposition or computation of

1 sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a lump-sum or accelerated
2 basis or on the acquisition of property for lease.

3 (8) The lease or rental of motor vehicles, trailers, semitrailers,
4 or aircraft that do not qualify as transportation equipment under
5 subsection (9) of this section shall be sourced as follows:

6 (a) For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic payments,
7 each periodic payment is sourced to the primary property location. The
8 primary property location shall be as indicated by an address for the
9 property provided by the lessee that is available to the lessor from its
10 records maintained in the ordinary course of business when use of this
11 address does not constitute bad faith. This location shall not be altered
12 by intermittent use at different locations; and

13 (b) For a lease or rental that does not require recurring periodic
14 payments, the payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in accordance
15 with the provisions of subsections (2) through (6) of this section.

16 This subsection does not affect the imposition or computation of
17 sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a lump-sum or accelerated
18 basis or on the acquisition of property for lease.

19 (9) The retail sale, including lease or rental, of transportation
20 equipment shall be sourced the same as a retail sale in accordance with
21 subsections (2) through (6) of this section. Transportation equipment
22 means any of the following:

23 (a) Locomotives and railcars that are utilized for the carriage of
24 persons or property in interstate commerce;

25 (b) Trucks and truck-tractors with a gross vehicle weight rating of
26 ten thousand one pounds or greater, trailers, semitrailers, or passenger
27 buses that are (i) registered through the International Registration Plan
28 and (ii) operated under authority of a carrier authorized and
29 certificated by the United States Department of Transportation or another
30 federal authority to engage in the carriage of persons or property in
31 interstate commerce;

1 (c) Aircraft operated by air carriers authorized and certificated by
2 the United States Department of Transportation or another federal
3 authority or a foreign authority to engage in the carriage of persons or
4 property in interstate or foreign commerce; and

5 (d) Containers designed for use on and component parts attached or
6 secured on the items set forth in subdivisions (9)(a) through (c) of this
7 section.

8 (10) For purposes of this section, receive and receipt mean taking
9 possession of tangible personal property, making first use of services,
10 or taking possession or making first use of digital goods, whichever
11 comes first. The terms receive and receipt do not include possession by a
12 shipping company on behalf of the purchaser. For purposes of sourcing
13 ~~detective services subject to tax under subdivision (4)(h) of section~~
14 ~~77-2701.16~~, making first use of a service shall be deemed to be at the
15 individual's residence, in the case of a customer who is an individual,
16 or at the principal place of business, in the case of a business
17 customer.

18 (11) The sale, not including lease or rental, of a motor vehicle,
19 semitrailer, or trailer as defined in the Motor Vehicle Registration Act
20 shall be sourced to the place of registration of the motor vehicle,
21 semitrailer, or trailer for operation upon the highways of this state or,
22 if no such registration has occurred, the place where such motor vehicle,
23 semitrailer, or trailer is required to be registered, except that
24 beginning January 1, 2021, the sale of any motor vehicle or trailer
25 operated by a public power district and registered under section 60-3,228
26 shall be sourced to the place where the motor vehicle or trailer has
27 situs as defined in section 60-349.

28 (12) The sale or lease for one year or more of motorboats shall be
29 sourced to the place of registration of the motorboat. The lease of
30 motorboats for less than one year shall be sourced to the point of
31 delivery.

1 Sec. 11. Section 77-2704.26, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
2 is amended to read:

3 77-2704.26 Sales and use taxes shall not be imposed on the gross
4 receipts from the sale, lease, or rental of and the storage, use, or
5 other consumption in this state of an aircraft delivered in this state to
6 an individual who is a resident of another state or any other person who
7 has a business location in another state when the aircraft is not to be
8 registered or based in this state and it will not remain in this state
9 more than ten days. Sales and use taxes shall not be imposed on the gross
10 receipts from a service ~~listed in subsection (4) of section 77-2701.16~~
11 that is rendered to an aircraft brought into this state by an individual
12 who is a resident of another state or any other person who has a business
13 location in another state when the aircraft is not to be registered or
14 based in this state and it will not remain in this state more than ten
15 days after the service is completed.

16 Sec. 12. Section 77-2704.45, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
17 is amended to read:

18 77-2704.45 Sales and use taxes shall not be imposed on the gross
19 receipts from the sale, lease, or rental of and the storage, use, or
20 other consumption in this state of property ~~:(1) Property~~ which will
21 enter into and become an ingredient or component part of property
22 manufactured, processed, or fabricated for ultimate sale at retail. ~~;~~ ~~or~~
23 ~~(2) A service listed in subsection (4) of section 77-2701.16 which~~
24 ~~will become an ingredient or component part of a service listed in~~
25 ~~subsection (4) of section 77-2701.16 for ultimate sale at retail.~~

26 Sec. 13. Section 77-2711, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
27 amended to read:

28 77-2711 (1)(a) The Tax Commissioner shall enforce sections
29 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this act and may prescribe, adopt,
30 and enforce rules and regulations relating to the administration and
31 enforcement of such sections.

1 (b) The Tax Commissioner may prescribe the extent to which any
2 ruling or regulation shall be applied without retroactive effect.

3 (2) The Tax Commissioner may employ accountants, auditors,
4 investigators, assistants, and clerks necessary for the efficient
5 administration of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 and may delegate
6 authority to his or her representatives to conduct hearings, prescribe
7 regulations, or perform any other duties imposed by such act.

8 (3)(a) Every seller, every retailer, and every person storing,
9 using, or otherwise consuming in this state property purchased from a
10 retailer shall keep such records, receipts, invoices, and other pertinent
11 papers in such form as the Tax Commissioner may reasonably require.

12 (b) Every such seller, retailer, or person shall keep such records
13 for not less than three years from the making of such records unless the
14 Tax Commissioner in writing sooner authorized their destruction.

15 (4) The Tax Commissioner or any person authorized in writing by him
16 or her may examine the books, papers, records, and equipment of any
17 person selling property and any person liable for the use tax and may
18 investigate the character of the business of the person in order to
19 verify the accuracy of any return made or, if no return is made by the
20 person, to ascertain and determine the amount required to be paid. In the
21 examination of any person selling property or of any person liable for
22 the use tax, an inquiry shall be made as to the accuracy of the reporting
23 of city and county sales and use taxes for which the person is liable
24 under the Local Option Revenue Act or sections 13-319, 13-324, 13-2813,
25 and 77-6403 and the accuracy of the allocation made between the various
26 counties, cities, villages, and municipal counties of the tax due. The
27 Tax Commissioner may make or cause to be made copies of resale or
28 exemption certificates and may pay a reasonable amount to the person
29 having custody of the records for providing such copies.

30 (5) The taxpayer shall have the right to keep or store his or her
31 records at a point outside this state and shall make his or her records

1 available to the Tax Commissioner at all times.

2 (6) In administration of the use tax, the Tax Commissioner may
3 require the filing of reports by any person or class of persons having in
4 his, her, or their possession or custody information relating to sales of
5 property, the storage, use, or other consumption of which is subject to
6 the tax. The report shall be filed when the Tax Commissioner requires and
7 shall set forth the names and addresses of purchasers of the property,
8 the sales price of the property, the date of sale, and such other
9 information as the Tax Commissioner may require.

10 (7) It shall be a Class I misdemeanor for the Tax Commissioner or
11 any official or employee of the Tax Commissioner, the State Treasurer, or
12 the Department of Administrative Services to make known in any manner
13 whatever the business affairs, operations, or information obtained by an
14 investigation of records and activities of any retailer or any other
15 person visited or examined in the discharge of official duty or the
16 amount or source of income, profits, losses, expenditures, or any
17 particular thereof, set forth or disclosed in any return, or to permit
18 any return or copy thereof, or any book containing any abstract or
19 particulars thereof to be seen or examined by any person not connected
20 with the Tax Commissioner. Nothing in this section shall be construed to
21 prohibit (a) the delivery to a taxpayer, his or her duly authorized
22 representative, or his or her successors, receivers, trustees, executors,
23 administrators, assignees, or guarantors, if directly interested, of a
24 certified copy of any return or report in connection with his or her tax,
25 (b) the publication of statistics so classified as to prevent the
26 identification of particular reports or returns and the items thereof,
27 (c) the inspection by the Attorney General, other legal representative of
28 the state, or county attorney of the reports or returns of any taxpayer
29 when either (i) information on the reports or returns is considered by
30 the Attorney General to be relevant to any action or proceeding
31 instituted by the taxpayer or against whom an action or proceeding is

1 being considered or has been commenced by any state agency or the county
2 or (ii) the taxpayer has instituted an action to review the tax based
3 thereon or an action or proceeding against the taxpayer for collection of
4 tax or failure to comply with the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 is being
5 considered or has been commenced, (d) the furnishing of any information
6 to the United States Government or to states allowing similar privileges
7 to the Tax Commissioner, (e) the disclosure of information and records to
8 a collection agency contracting with the Tax Commissioner pursuant to
9 sections 77-377.01 to 77-377.04, (f) the disclosure to another party to a
10 transaction of information and records concerning the transaction between
11 the taxpayer and the other party, (g) the disclosure of information
12 pursuant to section 77-27,195 or 77-5731, or (h) the disclosure of
13 information to the Department of Labor necessary for the administration
14 of the Employment Security Law, the Contractor Registration Act, or the
15 Employee Classification Act.

16 (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) of this
17 section, the Tax Commissioner may permit the Postal Inspector of the
18 United States Postal Service or his or her delegates to inspect the
19 reports or returns of any person filed pursuant to the Nebraska Revenue
20 Act of 1967 when information on the reports or returns is relevant to any
21 action or proceeding instituted or being considered by the United States
22 Postal Service against such person for the fraudulent use of the mails to
23 carry and deliver false and fraudulent tax returns to the Tax
24 Commissioner with the intent to defraud the State of Nebraska or to evade
25 the payment of Nebraska state taxes.

26 (9) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) of this
27 section, the Tax Commissioner may permit other tax officials of this
28 state to inspect the tax returns, reports, and applications filed under
29 sections 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this act, but such
30 inspection shall be permitted only for purposes of enforcing a tax law
31 and only to the extent and under the conditions prescribed by the rules

1 and regulations of the Tax Commissioner.

2 (10) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) of this
3 section, the Tax Commissioner may, upon request, provide the county board
4 of any county which has exercised the authority granted by section
5 81-3716 with a list of the names and addresses of the hotels located
6 within the county for which lodging sales tax returns have been filed or
7 for which lodging sales taxes have been remitted for the county's County
8 Visitors Promotion Fund under the Nebraska Visitors Development Act.

9 The information provided by the Tax Commissioner shall indicate only
10 the names and addresses of the hotels located within the requesting
11 county for which lodging sales tax returns have been filed for a
12 specified period and the fact that lodging sales taxes remitted by or on
13 behalf of the hotel have constituted a portion of the total sum remitted
14 by the state to the county for a specified period under the provisions of
15 the Nebraska Visitors Development Act. No additional information shall be
16 revealed.

17 (11)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) of this
18 section, the Tax Commissioner shall, upon written request by the Auditor
19 of Public Accounts or the office of Legislative Audit, make tax returns
20 and tax return information open to inspection by or disclosure to the
21 Auditor of Public Accounts or employees of the office of Legislative
22 Audit for the purpose of and to the extent necessary in making an audit
23 of the Department of Revenue pursuant to section 50-1205 or 84-304.
24 Confidential tax returns and tax return information shall be audited only
25 upon the premises of the Department of Revenue. All audit workpapers
26 pertaining to the audit of the Department of Revenue shall be stored in a
27 secure place in the Department of Revenue.

28 (b) No employee of the Auditor of Public Accounts or the office of
29 Legislative Audit shall disclose to any person, other than another
30 Auditor of Public Accounts or office employee whose official duties
31 require such disclosure, any return or return information described in

1 the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 in a form which can be associated with
2 or otherwise identify, directly or indirectly, a particular taxpayer.

3 (c) Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall
4 be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. For purposes of this subsection,
5 employee includes a former Auditor of Public Accounts or office of
6 Legislative Audit employee.

7 (12) For purposes of this subsection and subsections (11) and (14)
8 of this section:

9 (a) Disclosure means the making known to any person in any manner a
10 tax return or return information;

11 (b) Return information means:

12 (i) A taxpayer's identification number and (A) the nature, source,
13 or amount of his or her income, payments, receipts, deductions,
14 exemptions, credits, assets, liabilities, net worth, tax liability, tax
15 withheld, deficiencies, overassessments, or tax payments, whether the
16 taxpayer's return was, is being, or will be examined or subject to other
17 investigation or processing or (B) any other data received by, recorded
18 by, prepared by, furnished to, or collected by the Tax Commissioner with
19 respect to a return or the determination of the existence or possible
20 existence of liability or the amount of liability of any person for any
21 tax, penalty, interest, fine, forfeiture, or other imposition or offense;
22 and

23 (ii) Any part of any written determination or any background file
24 document relating to such written determination; and

25 (c) Tax return or return means any tax or information return or
26 claim for refund required by, provided for, or permitted under sections
27 77-2701 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this act which is filed with the Tax
28 Commissioner by, on behalf of, or with respect to any person and any
29 amendment or supplement thereto, including supporting schedules,
30 attachments, or lists which are supplemental to or part of the filed
31 return.

1 (13) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) of this
2 section, the Tax Commissioner shall, upon request, provide any
3 municipality which has adopted the local option sales tax under the Local
4 Option Revenue Act with a list of the names and addresses of the
5 retailers which have collected the local option sales tax for the
6 municipality. The request may be made annually and shall be submitted to
7 the Tax Commissioner on or before June 30 of each year. The information
8 provided by the Tax Commissioner shall indicate only the names and
9 addresses of the retailers. The Tax Commissioner may provide additional
10 information to a municipality so long as the information does not include
11 any data detailing the specific revenue, expenses, or operations of any
12 particular business.

13 (14)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) of this
14 section, the Tax Commissioner shall, upon written request, provide an
15 individual certified under subdivision (b) of this subsection
16 representing a municipality which has adopted the local option sales and
17 use tax under the Local Option Revenue Act with confidential sales and
18 use tax returns and sales and use tax return information regarding
19 taxpayers that possess a sales tax permit and the amounts remitted by
20 such permitholders at locations within the boundaries of the requesting
21 municipality or with confidential business use tax returns and business
22 use tax return information regarding taxpayers that file a Nebraska and
23 Local Business Use Tax Return and the amounts remitted by such taxpayers
24 at locations within the boundaries of the requesting municipality. Any
25 written request pursuant to this subsection shall provide the Department
26 of Revenue with no less than ten business days to prepare the sales and
27 use tax returns and sales and use tax return information requested. Such
28 returns and return information shall be viewed only upon the premises of
29 the department.

30 (b) Each municipality that seeks to request information under
31 subdivision (a) of this subsection shall certify to the Department of

1 Revenue one individual who is authorized by such municipality to make
2 such request and review the documents described in subdivision (a) of
3 this subsection. The individual may be a municipal employee or an
4 individual who contracts with the requesting municipality to provide
5 financial, accounting, or other administrative services.

6 (c) No individual certified by a municipality pursuant to
7 subdivision (b) of this subsection shall disclose to any person any
8 information obtained pursuant to a review under this subsection. An
9 individual certified by a municipality pursuant to subdivision (b) of
10 this subsection shall remain subject to this subsection after he or she
11 (i) is no longer certified or (ii) is no longer in the employment of or
12 under contract with the certifying municipality.

13 (d) Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall
14 be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.

15 (e) The Department of Revenue shall not be held liable by any person
16 for an impermissible disclosure by a municipality or any agent or
17 employee thereof of any information obtained pursuant to a review under
18 this subsection.

19 (15) In all proceedings under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, the
20 Tax Commissioner may act for and on behalf of the people of the State of
21 Nebraska. The Tax Commissioner in his or her discretion may waive all or
22 part of any penalties provided by the provisions of such act or interest
23 on delinquent taxes specified in section 45-104.02, as such rate may from
24 time to time be adjusted.

25 (16)(a) The purpose of this subsection is to set forth the state's
26 policy for the protection of the confidentiality rights of all
27 participants in the system operated pursuant to the streamlined sales and
28 use tax agreement and of the privacy interests of consumers who deal with
29 model 1 sellers.

30 (b) For purposes of this subsection:

31 (i) Anonymous data means information that does not identify a

1 person;

2 (ii) Confidential taxpayer information means all information that is
3 protected under a member state's laws, regulations, and privileges; and

4 (iii) Personally identifiable information means information that
5 identifies a person.

6 (c) The state agrees that a fundamental precept for model 1 sellers
7 is to preserve the privacy of consumers by protecting their anonymity.
8 With very limited exceptions, a certified service provider shall perform
9 its tax calculation, remittance, and reporting functions without
10 retaining the personally identifiable information of consumers.

11 (d) The governing board of the member states in the streamlined
12 sales and use tax agreement may certify a certified service provider only
13 if that certified service provider certifies that:

14 (i) Its system has been designed and tested to ensure that the
15 fundamental precept of anonymity is respected;

16 (ii) Personally identifiable information is only used and retained
17 to the extent necessary for the administration of model 1 with respect to
18 exempt purchasers;

19 (iii) It provides consumers clear and conspicuous notice of its
20 information practices, including what information it collects, how it
21 collects the information, how it uses the information, how long, if at
22 all, it retains the information, and whether it discloses the information
23 to member states. Such notice shall be satisfied by a written privacy
24 policy statement accessible by the public on the web site of the
25 certified service provider;

26 (iv) Its collection, use, and retention of personally identifiable
27 information is limited to that required by the member states to ensure
28 the validity of exemptions from taxation that are claimed by reason of a
29 consumer's status or the intended use of the goods or services purchased;
30 and

31 (v) It provides adequate technical, physical, and administrative

1 safeguards so as to protect personally identifiable information from
2 unauthorized access and disclosure.

3 (e) The state shall provide public notification to consumers,
4 including exempt purchasers, of the state's practices relating to the
5 collection, use, and retention of personally identifiable information.

6 (f) When any personally identifiable information that has been
7 collected and retained is no longer required for the purposes set forth
8 in subdivision (16)(d)(iv) of this section, such information shall no
9 longer be retained by the member states.

10 (g) When personally identifiable information regarding an individual
11 is retained by or on behalf of the state, it shall provide reasonable
12 access by such individual to his or her own information in the state's
13 possession and a right to correct any inaccurately recorded information.

14 (h) If anyone other than a member state, or a person authorized by
15 that state's law or the agreement, seeks to discover personally
16 identifiable information, the state from whom the information is sought
17 should make a reasonable and timely effort to notify the individual of
18 such request.

19 (i) This privacy policy is subject to enforcement by the Attorney
20 General.

21 (j) All other laws and regulations regarding the collection, use,
22 and maintenance of confidential taxpayer information remain fully
23 applicable and binding. Without limitation, this subsection does not
24 enlarge or limit the state's authority to:

25 (i) Conduct audits or other reviews as provided under the agreement
26 and state law;

27 (ii) Provide records pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information
28 Act, disclosure laws with governmental agencies, or other regulations;

29 (iii) Prevent, consistent with state law, disclosure of confidential
30 taxpayer information;

31 (iv) Prevent, consistent with federal law, disclosure or misuse of

1 federal return information obtained under a disclosure agreement with the
2 Internal Revenue Service; and

3 (v) Collect, disclose, disseminate, or otherwise use anonymous data
4 for governmental purposes.

5 Sec. 14. Section 77-2713, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
6 amended to read:

7 77-2713 (1) Any person required under the provisions of sections
8 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this act to collect, account for,
9 or pay over any tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 who
10 willfully fails to collect or truthfully account for or pay over such tax
11 and any person who willfully attempts in any manner to evade any tax
12 imposed by such provisions of such act or the payment thereof shall, in
13 addition to other penalties provided by law, be guilty of a Class IV
14 felony.

15 (2) Any person who willfully aids or assists in, procures, counsels,
16 or advises the preparation or presentation of a false or fraudulent
17 return, affidavit, claim, or document under or in connection with any
18 matter arising under sections 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this
19 act shall, whether or not such falsity or fraud is with the knowledge or
20 consent of the person authorized or required to present such return,
21 affidavit, claim, or document, be guilty of a Class IV felony.

22 (3) A person who engages in business as a retailer in this state
23 without a permit or permits or after a permit has been suspended and each
24 officer of any corporation which so engages in business shall be guilty
25 of a Class IV misdemeanor. Each day of such operation shall constitute a
26 separate offense.

27 (4) Any person who gives a resale certificate to the seller for
28 property which he or she knows, at the time of purchase, is purchased for
29 the purpose of use rather than for the purpose of resale, lease, or
30 rental by him or her in the regular course of business shall be guilty of
31 a Class IV misdemeanor.

1 (5) Any violation of the provisions of sections 77-2701.04 to
2 77-2713 and section 7 of this act, except as otherwise provided, shall be
3 a Class IV misdemeanor.

4 (6) Any prosecution under sections 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and section
5 7 of this act shall be instituted within three years after the commission
6 of the offense. If such offense is the failure to do an act required by
7 any of such sections to be done before a certain date, a prosecution for
8 such offense may be commenced not later than three years after such date.
9 The failure to do any act required by sections 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and
10 section 7 of this act shall be deemed an act committed in part at the
11 principal office of the Tax Commissioner. Any prosecution under the
12 provisions of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 may be conducted in any
13 county where the person or corporation to whose liability the proceeding
14 relates resides or has a place of business or in any county in which such
15 criminal act is committed. The Attorney General shall have concurrent
16 jurisdiction with the county attorney in the prosecution of any offenses
17 under the provisions of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967.

18 Sec. 15. Section 77-27,132, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
19 amended to read:

20 77-27,132 (1) There is hereby created a fund to be designated the
21 Revenue Distribution Fund which shall be set apart and maintained by the
22 Tax Commissioner. Revenue not required to be credited to the General Fund
23 or any other specified fund may be credited to the Revenue Distribution
24 Fund. Credits and refunds of such revenue shall be paid from the Revenue
25 Distribution Fund. The balance of the amount credited, after credits and
26 refunds, shall be allocated as provided by the statutes creating such
27 revenue.

28 (2) The Tax Commissioner shall pay to a depository bank designated
29 by the State Treasurer all amounts collected under the Nebraska Revenue
30 Act of 1967. The Tax Commissioner shall present to the State Treasurer
31 bank receipts showing amounts so deposited in the bank, and of the

1 amounts so deposited the State Treasurer shall:

2 (a) For transactions occurring on or after October 1, 2014, and
3 before October 1, 2022, credit to the Game and Parks Commission Capital
4 Maintenance Fund all of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes imposed
5 pursuant to section 77-2703 on the sale or lease of motorboats as defined
6 in section 37-1204, personal watercraft as defined in section 37-1204.01,
7 all-terrain vehicles as defined in section 60-103, and utility-type
8 vehicles as defined in section 60-135.01;

9 (b) Credit to the Highway Trust Fund all of the proceeds of the
10 sales and use taxes derived from the sale or lease for periods of more
11 than thirty-one days of motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers,
12 except that the proceeds equal to a any sales tax rate of one-half of one
13 ~~provided for in section 77-2701.02 that is in excess of five percent~~
14 derived from the sale or lease for periods of more than thirty-one days
15 of motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers shall be credited to the
16 Highway Allocation Fund;

17 (c) For transactions occurring on or after July 1, 2013, and before
18 July 1, 2033, of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes derived from
19 transactions other than those listed in subdivisions (2)(a) and (b) of
20 this section from a sales tax rate of one-quarter of one percent, credit
21 monthly eighty-five percent to the State Highway Capital Improvement Fund
22 and fifteen percent to the Highway Allocation Fund; and

23 (d) Of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes derived from
24 transactions other than those listed in subdivisions (2)(a) and (b) of
25 this section, credit to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund the amount
26 certified under section 77-27,237, if any such certification is made.

27 The balance of all amounts collected under the Nebraska Revenue Act
28 of 1967 shall be credited to the General Fund.

29 Sec. 16. Section 77-27,223, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
30 amended to read:

31 77-27,223 A county may raise revenue by levying and collecting a

1 license or occupation tax on any person, partnership, limited liability
2 company, corporation, or business engaged in the sale of admissions to
3 recreational, cultural, entertainment, or concert events that are subject
4 to sales tax under sections 77-2701.04 to 77-2713 and section 7 of this
5 act that occur outside any incorporated municipality, but within the
6 boundary limits of the county. The tax shall be uniform in respect to the
7 class upon which it is imposed. The tax shall be based upon a certain
8 percentage of gross receipts from sales in the county of the person,
9 partnership, limited liability company, corporation, or business, and may
10 include sales of other goods and services at such locations and events,
11 not to exceed one and one-half percent. A county may not impose the tax
12 on sales that are within an incorporated city or village. No county shall
13 levy and collect a license or occupation tax under this section unless
14 approved by a majority of those voting on the question at a special,
15 primary, or general election.

16 Sec. 17. This act becomes operative on October 1, 2021.

17 Sec. 18. Original sections 77-2701.02, 77-2701.36, 77-2701.41,
18 77-2704.26, 77-2704.45, 77-2713, 77-27,132, and 77-27,223, Reissue
19 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-2701, 77-2701.04,
20 77-2701.16, 77-2701.32, 77-2703, 77-2703.01, and 77-2711, Revised
21 Statutes Supplement, 2019, are repealed.