Assembly Bill No. 439–Assemblymen Araujo, Brooks, Diaz; Bustamante Adams and Oscarson

Joint Sponsors: Senators Kieckhefer, Cannizzaro, Parks, Manendo; Atkinson, Ford, Hammond and Woodhouse

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to taxes on retail sales; revising provisions governing taxation of the sale, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property by a licensed veterinarian; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

The Sales and Use Tax Act and the Local School Support Tax Law impose certain taxes on the sale, storage, use or other consumption in this State of tangible personal property. The taxes must be paid by the consumer of the property. (Chapters 372 and 374 of NRS)

This bill requires the Department of Taxation, in administering the provisions of the Sales and Use Tax Act and the Local School Support Tax Law, to consider a licensed veterinarian to be a consumer and not a retailer of the tangible personal property used, furnished or dispensed by him or her in providing medical care or treatment to animals as part of the performance of his or her professional services in the practice of veterinary medicine.

Any amendment to the Local School Support Tax Law also applies to other sales and use taxes imposed under existing law. (NRS 354.705, 374A.020, 376A.060, 377.040, 377A.030, 377B.110, 377C.100 and various special and local acts)

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets [fomitted material] is material to be omitted.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 372 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. In administering the provisions of this chapter, the Department shall consider a licensed veterinarian to be a consumer and not a retailer of the tangible personal property used, furnished or dispensed by him or her in providing medical care or treatment to animals as part of the performance of his or her professional services in the practice of veterinary medicine.
 - 2. As used in this section:
 - (a) "Licensed veterinarian" means:
- (1) A person who holds a license to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine issued pursuant to chapter 638 of NRS; and



- (2) An office, clinic or facility through which a licensed veterinarian engages in his or her practice.
- (b) "Practice of veterinary medicine" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 638.008.
- **Sec. 2.** Chapter 374 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. In administering the provisions of this chapter, the Department shall consider a licensed veterinarian to be a consumer and not a retailer of the tangible personal property used, furnished or dispensed by him or her in providing medical care or treatment to animals as part of the performance of his or her professional services in the practice of veterinary medicine.
 - 2. As used in this section:
 - (a) "Licensed veterinarian" means:
- (1) A person who holds a license to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine issued pursuant to chapter 638 of NRS; and
- (2) An office, clinic or facility through which a licensed veterinarian engages in his or her practice.
- (b) "Practice of veterinary medicine" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 638.008.

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Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

