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SENATE BILL NO. 346–SENATOR NEAL

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Referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development

SUMMARY—Imposes a tax on the retail sale of certain digital products. (BDR 32-9)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility. Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to taxation; providing for the imposition, administration, collection and enforcement of a tax on certain digital products electronically transferred to a purchaser; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Sections 24 and 33 of this bill impose a tax on a retail sale in this State of 1 specified digital products electronically transferred to a person and on the use of specified digital products electronically transferred to a person in a transaction in 23456789 this State for which the tax was not collected at the time of sale. Section 23 of this bill establishes requirements for determining the place where a sale of specified digital products takes place for the purpose of the tax. Under sections 24 and 33, the rate of the tax is the same as the sales and use tax rate imposed in the county determined pursuant to section 24. Under section 100 of this bill, the requirement to impose, collect and remit the tax is imposed on a retailer if, in the immediately 10 preceding calendar year or the current calendar year, the retailer had more than a 11 \$100,000 of gross revenue from certain transactions that took place in this State or 12 13 200 or more such transactions that took place in this State. Sections 1-22, 25-32, 34-99 and 101-117 of this bill provide for the administration, collection and 14 enforcement of the tax in the same manner as the sales and use tax. Section 152 of 15 this bill establishes January 1, 2022, as the effective date of this bill.

Section 94 of this bill requires a person who directly or indirectly facilitates retail sales of specified digital products to collect and remit the tax if, in the immediately preceding calendar year or the current calendar year, the facilitator had more than \$100,000 of gross receipts from certain transactions made to customers





20in this State or made or facilitated 200 or more transactions, on its own behalf or on behalf of a seller, unless the facilitator enters into an agreement with a seller whereby the seller agrees to assume responsibility for the collection and imposition of the tax. Section 95 of this bill provides that such a facilitator is not liable for the payment of the tax under certain circumstances.

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 Section 96 of this bill requires certain persons who receive a fee in exchange for listing or advertising a product for a seller but do not collect money or other consideration from a customer to impose, collect and remit the tax if 200 or more retail sales to customers in this State result from referrals made by the person or the cumulative gross receipts of sales resulting from such referrals exceed \$100,000, 30 unless the person complies with certain notice requirements and makes a monthly 31 report to the Department of Taxation.

32 Sections 139-149 of this bill make conforming changes.

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

1 **Section 1.** Title 32 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 2 thereto a new chapter to consist of the provisions set forth as 3 sections 2 to 117, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise 4 requires, the words and terms defined in sections 3 to 22, 5 inclusive, of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those 6 7 sections.

8 Sec. 3. "Business" includes any activity engaged in by any person or caused to be engaged in by any person with the object of 9 gain, benefit or advantage, either direct or indirect. 10

Sec. 4. "Computer software" means a set of coded 11 12 instructions designed to cause a computer or automatic data 13 processing equipment to perform a task.

"Digital audio works" means works that result from 14 Sec. 5. 15 the fixation of a series of musical, spoken or other sounds, including, without limitation, ringtones. 16

"Digital audio-visual works" means a series of 17 Sec. 6. 18 related images which, when shown in succession, impart an impression of motion, together with accompanying sounds, if any. 19

Sec. 7. "Digital books" means works that are generally 20 recognized in the ordinary and usual sense as "books." 21

22 Sec. 8. "Electronically transferred" means obtained by the 23 purchaser by means other than tangible storage media.

"End user" means any person who receives a 24 Sec. 9. specified digital product, other than a person who receives by 25 contract a specified digital product for further commercial 26 27 broadcast, rebroadcast, transmission, retransmission, licensing, 28 relicensing, distribution, redistribution or exhibition of the 29 specified digital product, in whole or in part, to another person or 30 persons.





"Gross receipts" means the total amount of the 1 Sec. 10. 1. 2 sales price or lease or rental price, as the case may be, of the retail 3 sales of specified digital products of retailers of specified digital products, valued in money, whether received in money or 4 5 otherwise, without any deduction on account of any of the 6 following:

7 (a) The cost of the specified digital products sold, except that, 8 in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Department may prescribe, a deduction may be taken if the retailer has 9 purchased specified digital products for some other purpose than 10 11 resale, has reimbursed the vendor of the specified digital products for tax which the vendor is required to pay to the State or has paid 12 13 the use tax with respect to the specified digital products, and has resold the specified digital products before making any use of the 14 specified digital products other than the broadcast, rebroadcast, 15 transmission, retransmission, licensing, relicensing, distributing, 16 redistributing or exhibition in the regular course of business. If 17 such a deduction is taken by the retailer, no refund or credit will 18 be allowed to the vendor of the specified digital products with 19 respect to the sale of the specified digital products. 20

21 (b) The cost of the materials used, labor or service cost, 22 interest paid, losses or any other expense.

23 The total amount of the sales or lease or rental price 2. 24 includes all of the following:

25 26 (a) Any services that are a part of the sale.

(b) All receipts, cash, credits and property of any kind.

27 (c) Any amount for which credit is allowed by the seller to the 28 purchaser.

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3. "Gross receipts" does not include any of the following: (a) Cash discounts allowed and taken on sales. 30

(b) The sales price of specified digital products returned by 31 32 customers when the full sales price is refunded either in cash or 33 credit, but this exclusion does not apply in any instance when the customer, in order to obtain the refund, is required to purchase 34 35 other specified digital products at a price greater than the amount charged for the specified digital products that are returned. 36

37 (c) The price received for labor or services used in installing or 38 applying the specified digital products sold.

(d) The amount of any tax imposed by the United States upon 39 or with respect to retail sales, whether imposed upon the retailer or 40 41 the end user.

42 4. For purposes of the tax imposed by section 24 of this act, if 43 a retailer establishes to the satisfaction of the Department that the 44 tax has been added to the total amount of the sales price and has 45 not been absorbed by the retailer, the total amount of the sales





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1 price shall be deemed to be the amount received exclusive of the 2 tax imposed.

3 Sec. 11. "In this State" or "in the State" means within the 4 exterior limits of the State of Nevada and includes all territory 5 within these limits owned by or ceded to the United States of 6 America.

7 Sec. 12. 1. "Occasional sale" includes:

8 (a) A sale of specified digital products not held or used by a 9 seller in the course of an activity for which the seller is required to 10 hold a seller's permit, if the sale is not one of a series of sales 11 sufficient in number, scope and character to constitute an activity 12 requiring the holding of a seller's permit.

13 (b) Any transfer of all or substantially all the specified digital 14 products held or used by a person in the course of such an activity 15 when after such transfer the real or ultimate ownership of such 16 property is substantially similar to that which existed before such 17 transfer.

18 2. For the purposes of this section, stockholders, 19 bondholders, partners or other persons holding an interest in a 20 corporation or other entity are regarded as having the "real or 21 ultimate ownership" of the specified digital products of the 22 corporation or other entity.

23 Sec. 13. "Other digital products":

Means greeting cards, digital images, video or electronic
 games or news and prewritten computer software, as defined in
 NRS 360B.470.

27 **2. Does not include:**

28 (a) Computer software that is not prewritten computer 29 software.

30 (b) The storage, management and dissemination of data and 31 information on a cloud network, server or other digital storage 32 medium.

(c) The provision of maintenance services for computer
software, provided that, if the purchase of the maintenance
services occurs at the same time as the purchase of the software,
the maintenance services are optional and are separately stated on
any invoice, billing or other document given to a purchaser.

(d) Internet service.

(e) Payment processing services, including, without limitation,
 services for processing payments from retail sales and peer-to-peer
 money transfers.

42 (f) Accounting, bookkeeping and check preparation services.

43 (g) Internet broadcasts of live entertainment or educational or 44 informational presentations.

(h) Website hosting, storage or backup.



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(i) The transmission of educational or

2 programming, including, without limitation, the transmission of courses by an elementary or secondary school, vocational or 3 technical school or institution of higher education or the 4 5 transmission of courses of professional development.

6 (*j*) The services of a travel agent.

7 (k) Cryptocurrency or digital currency, not including simulated currencies or in-game currencies which are not 8 9 intended to be convertible to legal tender.

10 (1) Gift cards.

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11 Sec. 14. "Purchase" means any transfer, exchange or barter, 12 conditional or otherwise, in any manner or by any means 13 whatsoever, of specified digital products for a consideration.

Sec. 15. "Retail sale" or "sale at retail" means a sale for any 14 15 purpose other than resale in the regular course of business of specified digital products. 16 17

Sec. 16. 1. "Retailer" includes:

18 (a) Every seller who makes any retail sale or sales of specified 19 digital products.

20 (b) Every person engaged in the business of making sales of 21 specified digital products for use.

22 (c) Every person making more than two retail sales of specified 23 digital products during any 12-month period, including sales made 24 in the capacity of assignee for the benefit of creditors or a receiver 25 or trustee in bankruptcy.

26 2. When the Nevada Tax Commission determines that it is 27 necessary for the efficient administration of this chapter to regard any salespersons, representatives, peddlers or canvassers as the 28 29 agents of the dealers, distributors, supervisors or employers under 30 whom they operate or from whom they obtain the specified digital products sold by them, irrespective of whether they are making 31 sales on their own behalf or on behalf of such dealers, 32 33 distributors, supervisors or employers, the Nevada Tax Commission may so regard them and may regard the dealers, 34 distributors, supervisors or employers as retailers for purposes of 35 36 this chapter.

"Ringtones" means digitized sound files that are Sec. 17. 37 downloaded onto a device and that may be used to alert the 38 39 customer with respect to a communication.

"Sale" means and includes any transfer of title or 40 Sec. 18. possession, exchange, barter, lease or rental, conditional or 41 42 otherwise, in any manner or by any means whatsoever, of 43 specified digital products for a consideration, including, without 44 limitation, any such transfer, exchange or barter on a subscription 45 basis.





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"Sales price" means the total amount for which 1 Sec. 19. 1. 2 specified digital products are sold, valued in money, whether paid 3 in money or otherwise, without any deduction on account of any 4 of the following: 5

(a) The cost of the specified digital products sold.

- 6 (b) The cost of materials used, labor or service cost, interest 7 charged, losses or any other expenses.
- 8 (c) The cost of transmitting the specified digital products 9 before purchase.
- 10 2. The total amount for which specified digital products are sold includes all of the following: 11
 - (a) Any services that are a part of the sale.
- 13 (b) Any amount for which credit is given to the purchaser by 14 the seller.
- 15 3. "Sales price" does not include any of the following:
- 16 (a) Cash discounts allowed and taken on sales.
- 17 (b) The amount charged for specified digital products returned by customers when the entire amount charged therefor is refunded 18 either in cash or credit, except that this exclusion does not apply in 19 20 any instance when the customer, in order to obtain the refund, is 21 required to purchase other specified digital products at a price 22 greater than the amount charged for the specified digital products 23 that are returned.
- 24 (c) The amount charged for labor or services rendered in installing or applying the specified digital products sold. 25
- 26 (d) The amount of any tax, not including any manufacturers' 27 or importers' excise tax, imposed by the United States upon or 28 with respect to retail sales, whether imposed upon the retailer or 29 the consumer.
- "Seller" includes every person engaged in the 30 Sec. 20. business of selling specified digital products of a kind, the gross 31 32 receipts from the retail sale of which are required to be included in 33 the measure of the tax imposed by section 24 of this act.
- 34 Sec. 21. 1. "Specified digital products" means 35 *electronically transferred:*
- (a) Digital audio works: 36
- 37 (b) Digital audio-visual works;
- 38 (c) Digital books;

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- (d) Digital codes; and 39
- 40 (e) Other digital products.
- 2. The term does not include: 41
- 42 (a) Direct-to-home satellite service, as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 43 152.
- 44 (b) Video service, the gross revenues of which may be used to 45 calculate a franchise fee imposed pursuant to NRS 711.670.





1 3. As used in this section, "digital code":

2 (a) Means a method that permits a purchaser to obtain or 3 access at a later date specified digital products.

4 (b) Does not include public or private keys when used in a 5 transaction conducted on a blockchain. As used in this paragraph:

6 (1) "Blockchain" has the meaning ascribed to it in 7 NRS 719.045.

8 (2) "Private key" has the meaning ascribed to it in 9 NRS 720.100.

10 (3) "Public key" has the meaning ascribed to it in 11 NRS 720.110.

12 Sec. 22. "Subscription" means any arrangement in which a 13 person has the right or ability to access, receive, use, obtain, 14 purchase or otherwise acquire specified digital products on a 15 permanent or less than permanent basis, regardless of whether the 16 person actually accesses, receives, uses, obtains, purchases or 17 otherwise acquires such specified digital products.

18 Sec. 23. For the purposes of this chapter, a retail sale of 19 specified digital products shall be deemed to take place:

20 1. If the specified digital products are received by the 21 purchaser at a place of business of the seller, at that place of 22 business.

23 2. If the specified digital products are not received by the 24 purchaser at a place of business of the seller:

(a) At the location indicated to the seller pursuant to any
instructions provided for the delivery of the specified digital
products to the purchaser or to another recipient who is
designated by the purchaser as his or her donee; or

(b) If no such instructions are provided and if known by the
seller, at the location where the purchaser or another recipient
who is designated by the purchaser as his or her donee, receives
the specified digital products.

33 3. If subsections 1 and 2 do not apply, at the address of the
34 purchaser indicated in the business records of the seller that are
35 maintained in the ordinary course of the seller's business, unless
36 the use of that address would constitute bad faith.

4. If subsections 1, 2 and 3 do not apply, at the address of the purchaser obtained during the consummation of the sale, including, if no other address is available, the address of the purchaser's instrument of payment, unless the use of an address pursuant to this subsection would constitute bad faith.

42 5. In all other circumstances, at the address from which the 43 specified digital products were shipped.

44 Sec. 24. 1. An excise tax is hereby imposed upon the retail 45 sale of specified digital products to an end user in this State, in an





1 amount equal to the rate equal to the sum of the rates of all taxes 2 imposed upon sales at retail of tangible personal property in the

3 county in which the purchaser resides multiplied by the gross
4 receipts of the retailer of the specified digital products.

5 2. The tax imposed by subsection 1 applies whether the 6 purchaser obtains permanent use or less than permanent use of 7 the specified digital product, whether the sale is conditioned or not 8 conditioned upon continued payment from the purchaser and 9 whether the sale is on a subscription basis or is not on a 10 subscription basis.

11 Sec. 25. The tax imposed by section 24 of this act must be 12 collected by the retailer from the end user insofar as it can be 13 done.

14 Sec. 26. 1. It is unlawful for any retailer to advertise or 15 hold out or state to the public or to any customer, directly 16 or indirectly, that the tax or any part thereof will be assumed or 17 absorbed by the retailer or that it will not be added to the selling 18 price of the specified digital products sold or that, if added, it or 19 any part thereof will be refunded.

20 2. Any person violating any provision of this section is guilty 21 of a misdemeanor.

22 Sec. 27. 1. A person shall not engage in or conduct 23 business as a seller in this State unless the person has:

24 (a) Registered with the Department pursuant to NRS 25 360B.200; or

26 (b) Obtained a permit issued by the Department.

27 **2.** Every application for a permit must:

28 (a) Be made upon a form prescribed by the Department.

29 (b) Set forth the name under which the applicant transacts or 30 intends to transact business and the location of the applicant's 31 place or places of business.

32 (c) Set forth any other information which the Department may 33 require.

34 (d) Be accompanied by a fee of \$5.

35 (e) Be signed by:

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(1) The owner if he or she is a natural person;

37 (2) A member or partner if the seller is an association or 38 partnership; or

39 (3) An executive officer or some person specifically
40 authorized to sign the application if the seller is a corporation.
41 Written evidence of the signer's authority must be attached to the
42 application.

43 Sec. 28. 1. If the holder of a permit issued pursuant to this 44 chapter fails to comply with any provision of this chapter or any 45 regulation adopted pursuant thereto, the Department may revoke





or suspend any one or more of the permits held by the person.
 Before doing so, the Department must hold a hearing after giving
 10 days' written notice to the holder of the permit. The notice must
 specify the time and place of the hearing and require the holder of
 the permit to show cause why the permit should not be suspended
 or revoked.

7 2. If a permit is suspended or revoked, the Department must 8 give written notice of the action to the holder of the permit.

9 3. The notices required by this section may be served 10 personally or by mail in the manner prescribed for service of 11 notice of a deficiency determination.

12 4. The Department shall not issue a new permit after the 13 revocation of a permit unless the Department is satisfied that the 14 former holder of the permit will comply with the provisions of this 15 chapter and the regulations of the Department adopted pursuant 16 thereto.

17 5. A retailer whose permit has been suspended or revoked 18 must pay the Department a fee of \$5 for the reinstatement of the 19 permit or the issuance of a new permit.

20 **Sec. 29.** For the purpose of the proper administration of this 21 chapter and to prevent evasion of the tax imposed by section 24 of 22 this act, it is presumed that all gross receipts are subject to the tax until the contrary is established. The burden of proving that a sale 23 24 of specified digital products is not a sale at retail is upon the 25 person who makes the sale unless the person takes from the 26 purchaser a certificate to the effect that the specified digital 27 products were purchased by an end user and the purchaser:

I. Is engaged in the business of commercial broadcasting,
 rebroadcasting, transmitting, retransmitting, licensing,
 relicensing, distributing, redistributing or exhibiting specified
 digital products, in whole or in part, to another person or persons;
 Is registered pursuant to NRS 360B.200 or holds a permit
 issued pursuant to section 27 of this act, if required; and

34 3. At the time of purchasing the specified digital product, 35 intends to broadcast, rebroadcast, transmit, retransmit, license, 36 relicense, distribute, redistribute or exhibit the specified digital 37 product in the regular course of business or is unable to ascertain 38 at the time of purchase whether the specified digital product will 39 be used for such a purpose or will be used for some other purpose. 40 Sec. 30. A resale certificate must:

41 **1.** Be substantially in such form and include such 42 information as the Department may prescribe; and

43 2. Unless submitted in electronic form, be signed by the 44 purchaser.





1 Sec. 31. 1. If a purchaser who gives a resale certificate 2 makes any use of specified digital products other than the 3 commercial broadcasting, rebroadcasting, transmitting, 4 retransmitting, licensing, relicensing, distributing, redistributing 5 or exhibiting of the specified digital products, in whole or in part, 6 to another person or persons in the regular course of business:

7 (a) The use is taxable to the purchaser as of the time one of the
8 specified digital products is first so used by the purchaser, and
9 the sales price of the specified digital products to the purchaser is
10 the measure of the tax.

11 (b) The seller is liable for the tax with respect to the sale of the 12 specified digital products to the purchaser only if:

13 (1) There is an unsatisfied use tax liability pursuant to 14 paragraph (a); and

15 (2) The seller fraudulently failed to collect the tax or 16 solicited the purchaser to provide the resale certificate unlawfully.

17 2. As used in this section, "seller" includes a certified service 18 provider, as that term is defined in NRS 360B.060, acting on 19 behalf of a seller who is registered pursuant to NRS 360B.200.

20 Sec. 32. Any person who gives a resale certificate for 21 specified digital products which the person knows at the time of 22 purchase is not to be further broadcast, rebroadcast, transmitted, 23 retransmitted, licensed, relicensed, distributed, redistributed or 24 exhibited by the person in the regular course of business for the 25 purpose of evading payment to the seller of the amount of the tax 26 applicable to the transaction is guilty of a misdemeanor.

27 Sec. 33. 1. An excise tax is hereby imposed on the use in 28 this State of specified digital products purchased and 29 electronically transferred from any retailer on or after January 1, 30 2022, in a retail sale that takes place in this State, as set forth in section 23 of this act, for use in this State at a rate equal to the 31 32 sum of the rates of all taxes imposed upon the storage, use or 33 other consumption of tangible personal property in the county in 34 which the retail sale takes place, as set forth in section 23 of this 35 act.

2. The tax is imposed with respect to all specified digital
products which were electronically transferred in a transaction
that is taxable pursuant to this chapter but for which the tax
imposed by section 24 of this act was not collected.

40 Sec. 34. Every person storing, using or otherwise consuming 41 in this State specified digital products purchased from a retailer is 42 liable for the tax. The liability of a person pursuant to this section 43 is not extinguished until the tax has been paid to this State, except 44 that a receipt from a retailer given to the purchaser pursuant to





section 35 of this act is sufficient to relieve the purchaser from 1 further liability for the tax to which the receipt refers. 2

3 Sec. 35. Every retailer maintaining a place of business in this State and making sales of specified digital products for use in 4 5 this State, not exempted by this chapter, shall, at the time of making the sales or, if the use of the specified digital products is 6 7 not then taxable hereunder, at the time the use becomes taxable, 8 collect the tax from the purchaser and give to the purchaser a receipt therefor in the manner and form prescribed by the Nevada 9 10 Tax Commission.

11 Sec. 36. The tax required to be collected by the retailer 12 constitutes a debt owed by the retailer to this State.

13 Sec. 37. It is unlawful for any retailer to advertise or hold 14 out or state to the public or to any customer, directly or indirectly, that the tax or any part thereof will be assumed or absorbed by the 15 retailer or that it will not be added to the selling price of the 16 17 specified digital products sold or that, if added, it or any part 18 thereof will be refunded.

Sec. 38. The tax required pursuant to this chapter to be 19 20 collected by the retailer from the purchaser must be displayed 21 separately from the list price, the price advertised in the premises, 22 the marked price, or any other price on the sales check or other 23 proof of sale.

24 Sec. 39. Any person who violates section 35, 37 or 38 of this 25 act is guilty of a misdemeanor.

26 Sec. 40. 1. Every retailer who sells specified digital 27 products for use in this State shall register with the Department 28 and give:

29 (a) The name and address of all agents operating in this State.

30 (b) The location of all offices or other places of business in this State. 31 32

(c) Such other information as the Department may require.

33 *Every business that purchases specified digital products for* 2. use in this State shall, at the time the business obtains a state 34 35 business license pursuant to chapter 76 of NRS, register with the Department on a form prescribed by the Department. As used in 36 this subsection, "business" has the meaning ascribed to it in 37 NRS 76.020. 38

Sec. 41. For the purpose of the proper administration of this 39 chapter and to prevent evasion of the use tax and the duty to 40 collect the use tax, it is presumed that specified digital products 41 42 sold by any person for delivery in this State are sold for use in this 43 State until the contrary is established. The burden of proving that 44 a sale of specified digital products is not a sale at retail is upon the 45 person who makes the sale unless the person takes from the





purchaser a certificate to the effect that the specified digital 1 2 products were purchased by an end user and the purchaser:

3 1. Is engaged in the business of commercial broadcasting, 4 rebroadcasting, transmitting, retransmitting, licensing, 5 relicensing, distributing, redistributing or exhibiting specified 6 digital products, in whole or in part, to another person or persons;

7 2. Is registered pursuant to NRS 360B.200 or holds a permit 8 issued pursuant to section 27 of this act, if required; and

At the time of purchasing the specified digital products, 9 3. intends to broadcast, rebroadcast, transmit, retransmit, license, 10 relicense, distribute, redistribute or exhibit the specified digital 11 12 products in the regular course of business or is unable to ascertain 13 at the time of purchase whether the specified digital products will 14 be used for such a purpose or will be used for some other purpose. 15

Sec. 42. A resale certificate must:

16 1. Be substantially in such form and include such 17 information as the Department may prescribe; and

18 Unless submitted in electronic form, be signed by the 2. purchaser. 19

20 Sec. 43. If a purchaser who gives a resale certificate makes any use of the specified digital products other than the commercial 21 22 broadcasting, rebroadcasting, transmitting, retransmitting, 23 licensing, relicensing, distributing, redistributing or exhibiting of the specified digital products, in whole or in part, to another 24 25 person or persons in the regular course of business, the use is 26 taxable as of the time any of the specified digital products is first 27 so stored or used.

28 Sec. 44. As used in sections 44 to 56, inclusive, of this act, "exempted from the taxes imposed by this chapter" means 29 exempted from the computation of the amount of taxes imposed. 30

Sec. 45. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this 31 32 chapter the gross receipts from the sale of, and the use in this State of, specified digital products the gross receipts from the sale 33 of which, or the use of which, this State is prohibited from taxing 34 under the Constitution or laws of the United States or under the 35 36 Constitution of this State.

37 **Sec. 46.** There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this chapter the gross receipts from the sale of specified digital 38 products that are textbooks sold within the Nevada System of 39 40 Higher Education.

Sec. 47. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this 41 42 chapter the gross receipts from the sale of, and the use in this 43 State of, specified digital products which is a newspaper regularly 44 issued at average intervals not exceeding 1 week and any such 45 newspaper.





1 Sec. 48. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this 2 chapter the gross receipts from occasional sales of specified digital 3 products and the use in this State of specified digital products, the

4 transfer of which to the purchaser is an occasional sale.

5 Sec. 49. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this 6 chapter the gross receipts from the sale of any specified digital 7 products to:

8 1. The United States, its unincorporated agencies and 9 instrumentalities.

10 2. Any incorporated agency or instrumentality of the United 11 States wholly owned by the United States or by a corporation 12 wholly owned by the United States.

13 3. The State of Nevada, its unincorporated agencies and 14 instrumentalities.

15 4. Any county, city, district or other political subdivision of 16 this State.

17 Sec. 50. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this 18 chapter the gross receipts from the sale of, and the use in this 19 State of, any specified digital products sold by or to a nonprofit 20 organization created for religious, charitable or educational 21 purposes. The Legislature shall establish:

22 1. Standards for determining whether an organization is 23 created for religious, charitable or educational purposes.

24 2. Procedures for administering the provisions of this section.
 25 Sec. 51. 1. For the purposes of section 50 of this act, an
 26 organization is created for religious, charitable or educational
 27 purposes if it complies with the provisions of this section.

2. An organization is created for religious purposes if:

(a) It complies with the requirements set forth in subsection 5;
and

(b) The sole or primary purpose of the organization is the 31 32 operation of a church, synagogue or other place of religious worship at which nonprofit religious services and activities are 33 regularly conducted. Such an organization includes, without 34 limitation, an integrated auxiliary or affiliate of the organization, 35 men's, women's or youth groups established by the organization, a 36 37 school or mission society operated by the organization, an organization of local units of a church and a convention or 38 39 association of churches.

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3. An organization is created for charitable purposes if:

(a) It complies with the requirements set forth in subsection 5;

(b) The sole or primary purpose of the organization is to:

43 (1) Advance a public purpose, donate or render gratuitously 44 or at a reduced rate a substantial portion of its services to the 45 persons who are the subjects of its charitable services, and benefit





a substantial and indefinite class of persons who are the legitimate 1 2 subjects of charity:

3 (2) Provide services that are otherwise required to be provided by a local government, this State or the Federal 4 5 Government; or

6 (3) Operate a hospital or medical facility licensed pursuant 7 to chapter 449 or 450 of NRS; and 8

(c) The organization is operating in this State.

An organization is created for educational purposes if: 4.

(a) It complies with the requirements set forth in subsection 5: 10 11 and

(b) The sole or primary purpose of the organization is to:

13 (1) Provide athletic, cultural or social activities for 14 children:

(2) Provide displays or performances of the visual or 15 16 performing arts to members of the general public;

17 (3) Provide instruction and disseminate information on 18 subjects beneficial to the community;

(4) Operate a school, college or university located in this 19 20 State that conducts regular classes and provides courses of study 21 required for accreditation or licensing by the State Board of 22 Education or the Commission on Postsecondary Education, or for membership in the Northwest Accreditation Commission or 23 24 accreditation by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and 25 Universities;

26 (5) Serve as a local or state apprenticeship committee to 27 advance programs of apprenticeship in this State; or

(6) Sponsor programs of apprenticeship in this State 28 29 through a trust created pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 186.

30 5. In addition to the requirements set forth in subsection 2, 3 or 4, an organization is created for religious, charitable or 31 32 educational purposes if:

33 (a) No part of the net earnings of any such organization inures to the benefit of a private shareholder, individual or entity; 34

35 (b) The business of the organization is not conducted for 36 profit;

37 (c) No substantial part of the business of the organization is 38 devoted to the advocacy of any political principle or the defeat or passage of any state or federal legislation; 39

40 (d) The organization does not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate 41 42 for public office; and

(e) Any property sold to the organization for which an 43 44 exemption is claimed is used by the organization in this State in



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1 furtherance of the religious, charitable or educational purposes of 2 the organization.

3 Sec. 52. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this 4 chapter on the use of specified digital products any such products 5 loaned or donated to:

6 1. The United States, its unincorporated agencies and 7 instrumentalities.

8 2. Any incorporated agency or instrumentality of the United 9 States wholly owned by the United States or by a corporation 10 wholly owned by the United States.

11 3. The State of Nevada, its unincorporated agencies and 12 instrumentalities.

13 4. Any county, city, district or other political subdivision of 14 this State.

15 5. Any organization created for religious, charitable or 16 eleemosynary purposes, provided that no part of the net earnings 17 of any such organization inures to the benefit of any private 18 shareholder or individual.

19 Sec. 53. The use in this State of specified digital products, 20 the gross receipts from the sale of which are required to be 21 included in the measure of the tax imposed by section 24 of this 22 act, is exempted from the tax imposed by section 33 of this act.

23 Sec. 54. 1. If a purchaser wishes to claim an exemption 24 from the taxes imposed by this chapter, the retailer shall obtain 25 such information from the purchaser as is required by the 26 Department.

27 2. The Department shall, to the extent feasible, establish an
28 electronic system for submitting a request for an exemption. A
29 purchaser is not required to provide a signature to claim an
30 exemption if the request is submitted electronically.

31 3. The Department may establish a system whereby a 32 purchaser who is exempt from the payment of the taxes imposed 33 by this chapter is issued an identification number that can be 34 presented to the retailer at the time of sale.

4. A retailer shall maintain such records of exempt
transactions as are required by the Department and provide those
records to the Department upon request.

5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a retailer who complies with the provisions of this section is not liable for the payment of any tax imposed by this chapter if the purchaser improperly claims an exemption. If the purchaser improperly claims an exemption, the purchaser is liable for the payment of the tax. The provisions of this subsection do not apply if the retailer:

44 (a) Fraudulently fails to collect the tax;





1 (b) Solicits a purchaser to participate in an unlawful claim of 2 an exemption; or

3 (c) Accepts a certificate of exemption from a purchaser who claims an entity-based exemption, the subject of the transaction 4 5 sought to be covered by the certificate is actually received by the purchaser at a location operated by the seller, and the Department 6 7 provides, and posts on a website or other Internet site that is 8 operated or administered by or on behalf of the Department, a certificate of exemption which clearly and affirmatively indicates 9 that the claimed exemption is not available. 10

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6. As used in this section:

(a) "Entity-based exemption" means an exemption based on
who purchases the product or who sells the product, and which is
not available to all.

(b) "Retailer" includes a certified service provider, as that term
is defined in NRS 360B.060, acting on behalf of a retailer who is
registered pursuant to NRS 360B.200.

18 Sec. 55. 1. Any nonprofit organization created for 19 religious, charitable or educational purposes that wishes to claim 20 an exemption pursuant to section 50 of this act, must file an 21 application with the Department to obtain a letter of exemption. 22 The application must be on a form and contain such information 23 as is required by the Department.

If the Department determines that the organization is 24 2. 25 created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, it shall 26 issue a letter of exemption to the organization. The letter of 27 exemption expires 5 years after the date on which it is issued by 28 the Department. At least 90 days before the expiration of the letter 29 of exemption, the Department shall notify the organization to 30 whom the letter was issued of the date on which the letter will expire. The organization may renew its letter of exemption for an 31 32 additional 5 years by filing an application for renewal with the 33 Department. The application for renewal must be on a form and 34 contain such information as is required by the Department.

35 3. To claim an exemption pursuant to section 50 of this act 36 for the sale of specified digital products to such an organization:

(a) The organization must give a copy of its letter of exemption
to the retailer from whom the organization purchases the product;
and

40 (b) The retailer must retain and present upon request a copy of 41 the letter of exemption.

42 **4.** The Department shall adopt such regulations as are 43 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

44 Sec. 56. If a purchaser certifies in writing to a seller that the 45 specified digital products purchased will be used in a manner or





for a purpose entitling the seller to regard the gross receipts from 1 the sale as exempted by this chapter from the computation of the 2 3 amount of the taxes imposed by this chapter, and uses the specified digital products in some other manner or for some other 4 5 purpose, the purchaser shall be liable for payment of the tax as if the purchaser were a retailer making a retail sale of the specified 6 7 digital products at the time of such use, and the cost of the 8 specified digital products to the purchaser shall be deemed the 9 gross receipts from such retail sale.

10 Sec. 57. A retailer shall hold the amount of all taxes 11 collected pursuant to this chapter in a separate account in trust for 12 the State.

13 Sec. 58. Except as otherwise provided in section 65 of this act 14 or required by the Department pursuant to NRS 360B.200, the 15 taxes imposed by this chapter are due and payable to the 16 Department monthly on or before the last day of the month next 17 succeeding each month.

18 Sec. 59. Except as otherwise required by the Department 19 pursuant to NRS 360B.200:

1. On or before the last day of the month following each reporting period, a return for the preceding period must be filed with the Department in such form and manner as the Department may prescribe. Any return required to be filed by this section must be combined with any return required to be filed pursuant to the provisions of chapters 372 and 374 of NRS.

26 **2.** For purposes of:

(a) The tax imposed by section 24 of this act, a return must be
filed by each seller.

(b) The tax imposed by section 33 of this act, a return must be
filed by each retailer maintaining a place of business in the State
and by each person purchasing specified digital products, the use
of which is subject to the use tax, who has not paid the use tax
due.

34 3. Unless filed electronically, returns must be signed by the 35 person required to file the return or by his or her authorized agent 36 but need not be verified by oath.

37 Sec. 60. 1. Except as otherwise required by the Department 38 pursuant to NRS 360B.200:

39 (a) For the purposes of the tax imposed by section 24 of this 40 act:

41 (1) The return must show the gross receipts of the seller 42 during the preceding reporting period.

43 (2) The gross receipts must be segregated and reported 44 separately for each county to which a sale of specified digital 45 products pertains.





(3) A sale pertains to the county in this State in which the 1 2 retail sale of specified digital products takes place as determined pursuant to section 23 of this act. 3 4

(b) For purposes of the tax imposed by section 33 of this act:

5 (1) In the case of a return filed by a retailer, the return must show the total sales price of the specified digital products 6 7 purchased by the retailer, the use of which specified digital 8 products became subject to the use tax during the preceding 9 reporting period.

10 (2) The sales price must be segregated and reported separately for each county to which a purchase of specified digital 11 12 products pertains.

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(3) If the specified digital products were:

14 (I) Brought into this State by the purchaser or his or her 15 agent or designee, the sale pertains to the county in this State in which the property is or will be first used, stored or otherwise 16 17 consumed.

18 (II) Not brought into this State by the purchaser or his or her agent or designee, the sale pertains to the county in this 19 State in which the property was delivered to the purchaser or his 20 21 or her agent or designee.

22 2. In case of a return filed by a purchaser, the return must 23 show the total sales price of the specified digital products 24 purchased by the purchaser, the use of which became subject to the tax imposed by section 24 of this act during the preceding 25 26 reporting period and indicate the county in this State in which the 27 specified digital products were first used, stored or consumed.

28 3. The return must also show the amount of the taxes for the period covered by the return and such other information as the 29 30 Department deems necessary for the proper administration of this chapter. 31

32 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, upon 4. determining that a retailer has filed a return which contains one 33 or more violations of the provisions of this section, the Department 34 35 shall:

(a) For the first return of any retailer which contains one or 36 more violations, issue a letter of warning to the retailer which 37 provides an explanation of the violation or violations contained in 38 39 the return.

40 (b) For the first or second return, other than a return described in paragraph (a), in any calendar year which contains 41 42 one or more violations, assess a penalty equal to the amount of the 43 tax which was not reported or was reported for the wrong county 44 or \$1,000, whichever is less.





(c) For the third and each subsequent return in any calendar
year which contains one or more violations, assess a penalty of
three times the amount of the tax which was not reported or was
reported for the wrong county or \$3,000, whichever is less.

5 5. For the purposes of subsection 4, if the first violation of 6 this section by any retailer was determined by the Department 7 through an audit which covered more than one return of the 8 retailer, the Department shall treat all returns which were 9 determined through the same audit to contain a violation or 10 violations in the manner provided in paragraph (a) of 11 subsection 4.

12 Sec. 61. In determining the amount of taxes due pursuant to 13 this chapter:

14 1. The amount due must be computed to the third decimal 15 place and rounded to a whole cent using a method that rounds up 16 to the next cent if the numeral in the third decimal place is greater 17 than 4.

18 2. A retailer may compute the amount due on a transaction
19 on the basis of each item involved in the transaction or a single
20 invoice for the entire transaction.

21 Sec. 62. 1. If a retailer is unable to collect all or part of the 22 sales price of a sale, the retailer is entitled to receive a deduction 23 from his or her taxable sales for that bad debt.

24 **2.** Any deduction that is claimed pursuant to this section may 25 not include interest.

26 3. The amount of any deduction claimed must equal the 27 amount of a deduction that may be claimed pursuant to section 28 166 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 166, for that sale 29 minus:

30 (a) Any finance charge or interest charged as part of the sale;

31 (b) Any tax imposed by this chapter charged on the sales price;

32 (c) Any amount not paid on the sales price because the 33 specified digital product that was sold was not delivered until the 34 full sales price is paid; and

35 (d) Any expense incurred in attempting to collect the bad debt.

36 A bad debt may be claimed as a deduction on the return 4. 37 that covers the period during which the bad debt is written off in the business records of the retailer that are maintained in the 38 ordinary course of the retailer's business and is eligible to be 39 claimed as a deduction pursuant to section 166 of the Internal 40 Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 166, or if the retailer is not required to 41 42 file a federal income tax return, would be eligible to be claimed as 43 a deduction pursuant to section 166 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 166. 44





If a bad debt for which a deduction has been claimed is
 subsequently collected in whole or in part, the tax on the amount
 so collected must be reported on the return that covers the period
 in which the collection is made.

5 6. If the amount of the bad debt is greater than the amount of 6 the taxable sales reported for the period during which the bad debt 7 is claimed as a deduction, a claim for a refund may be filed 8 pursuant to NRS 372.630 to 372.720, inclusive, except that the 9 time within which the claim may be filed begins on the date on 10 which the return that included the deduction was filed.

11 7. If the retailer has contracted with a certified service 12 provider for the remittance of the tax due under this chapter, the 13 service provider may, on behalf of the retailer, claim any 14 deduction to which the retailer is entitled pursuant to this section. 15 The service provider shall credit or refund the full amount of any 16 deduction or refund received pursuant to this section to the 17 retailer.

18 8. For the purposes of reporting a payment received on a bad 19 debt for which a deduction has been claimed, the payment must 20 first be applied to the sales price of the specified digital products 21 sold and the tax due thereon, and then to any interest, service 22 charge or other charge that was charged as part of the sale.

9. If the records of a retailer indicate that a bad debt may be
allocated among other states that are members of the Streamlined
Sales and Use Tax Agreement, the retailer may allocate the bad
debt among those states.

10. A retailer who assigns a debt to an entity which is part of
an affiliated group that includes the retailer may claim any
deduction or refund to which the retailer would otherwise be
entitled pursuant to this section, notwithstanding:

(a) The assignment of the debt to the entity;

(b) That the debt is written off as a bad debt in the business
records of the entity which are maintained in the ordinary course
of the entity's business; and

(c) That the bad debt is or would be eligible to be claimed by
the entity as a deduction pursuant to section 166 of the Internal
Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 166.

11. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 12, upon
determining that a retailer has filed a return which contains one
or more violations of the provisions of this section, the Department
shall:

(a) For the first return of any retailer which contains one or
more violations, issue a letter of warning to the retailer which
provides an explanation of the violation or violations contained in
the return.



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(b) For the first or second return, other than a return
described in paragraph (a), in any calendar year which contains
one or more violations, assess a penalty equal to the amount of the
deduction claimed or \$1,000, whichever is less.

5 (c) For the third and each subsequent return in any calendar 6 year which contains one or more violations, assess a penalty of 7 three times the amount of the deduction claimed or \$3,000, 8 whichever is less.

9 12. For the purposes of subsection 11, if the first violation of 10 this section by any retailer was determined by the Department 11 through an audit which covered more than one return of the 12 retailer, the Department shall treat all returns which were 13 determined through the same audit to contain a violation or 14 violations in the manner provided in paragraph (a) of 15 subsection 11.

16 13. As used in this section:

17 (a) "Affiliated group" means:

18 (1) An affiliated group as defined in section 1504(a) of the
19 Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 1504(a); or

20 (2) A controlled group of corporations as described in 21 section 1563(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 22 1563(a)(2).

(b) "Bad debt" means a debt that may be deducted pursuant to
section 166 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 166.

25 (c) "Certified service provider" has the meaning ascribed to it 26 in NRS 360B.060.

27 Sec. 63. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if 28 the taxes imposed by this chapter are paid in accordance with 29 section 58 of this act, a taxpayer may deduct and withhold from 30 the taxes otherwise due from the taxpayer 0.25 percent of those 31 taxes as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax.

2. The regulations adopted by the Nevada Tax Commission pursuant to NRS 360B.110 may authorize the deduction and withholding from the taxes otherwise due from a taxpayer such other amounts as are required to carry out the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement.

37 Sec. 64. 1. Except as otherwise authorized or required by 38 the Department, the person required to file a return shall deliver 39 the return together with a remittance of the amount of the tax due 40 to the Department.

2. The Department shall provide for the acceptance of credit
cards, debit cards or electronic transfers of money for the payment
of the tax due in the manner prescribed pursuant to NRS 360.092.





1 Sec. 65. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section or 2 required by the Department pursuant to NRS 360B.200, the 3 reporting and payment period of:

4 (a) A taxpayer whose taxable sales do not exceed \$10,000 per 5 month is a calendar quarter.

6 (b) A taxpayer who files reports on a quarterly basis in 7 accordance with paragraph (a) and:

8 (1) From whom no tax is due pursuant to this chapter for 9 the immediately preceding three quarterly reporting periods; or

10 (2) Whose taxable sales do not exceed a total amount of 11 \$1,500 for the immediately preceding four quarterly reporting 12 periods,

13 ⇒ is 12 calendar months, unless the taxable sales of the taxpayer
14 exceed a total amount of \$1,500 for such a 12-month reporting
15 and payment period or \$10,000 for a calendar month.

16 2. The Department, if it deems this action necessary to ensure 17 payment to or facilitate the collection by the State of the amount of 18 taxes, may require returns and payment of the amount of taxes for 19 periods other than calendar months or quarters, depending upon 20 the principal place of business of the seller, retailer or purchaser, 21 as the case may be, or for other than monthly, quarterly or annual 22 periods.

23 Sec. 66. For the purposes of the tax imposed by section 24 of 24 this act, gross receipts from rentals or leases of specified digital 25 products must be reported and the tax paid in accordance with 26 such regulations as the Department may prescribe.

27 Sec. 67. The Department for good cause may extend for not 28 to exceed 1 month the time for making any return or paying any 29 amount required to be paid under this chapter.

30 Sec. 68. 1. The Department, whenever it deems it necessary to ensure compliance with this chapter, may require any person 31 32 subject to the chapter to place with it such security as the Department may determine. The Department shall fix the amount 33 of the security which, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, 34 may not be greater than twice the estimated average tax due 35 quarterly of persons filing returns for quarterly periods, three 36 37 times the estimated average tax due monthly of persons filing returns for monthly periods or four times the estimated average 38 tax due annually of persons filing returns for annual periods, 39 40 determined in such a manner as the Department deems proper.

41 2. In the case of persons who are habitually delinquent in 42 their obligations under this chapter, the amount of the security 43 may not be greater than three times the average actual tax due 44 quarterly of persons filing returns for quarterly periods, five times 45 the average actual tax due monthly of persons filing returns for





1 monthly periods or seven times the average actual tax due 2 annually of persons filing returns for annual periods.

3 3. The limitations provided in this section apply regardless of 4 the type of security placed with the Department.

5 4. The amount of the security may be increased or decreased 6 by the Department subject to the limitations provided in this 7 section.

8 5. The Department may sell the security at public auction if it 9 becomes necessary to recover any tax or any amount required to be collected, or interest or penalty due. Notice of the sale may be 10 served upon the person who placed the security personally or by 11 12 mail. If the notice is served by mail, service must be made in the 13 manner prescribed for service of a notice of a deficiency 14 determination and must be addressed to the person at his or her 15 address as it appears in the records of the Department. Security in the form of a bearer bond issued by the United States or the State 16 17 of Nevada which has a prevailing market price may be sold by the Department at a private sale at a price not lower than the 18 19 prevailing market price.

20 6. Upon any sale any surplus above the amounts due must be 21 returned to the person who placed the security.

22 Sec. 69. 1. If the Department determines that any amount, 23 penalty or interest has been paid more than once or has been 24 erroneously or illegally collected or computed, the Department shall set forth that fact in the records of the Department and 25 26 certify to the State Board of Examiners the amount collected in 27 excess of the amount legally due and the person from whom it was collected or by whom paid. If approved by the State Board of 28 29 Examiners, the excess amount collected or paid must, after being credited against any amount then due from the person in 30 accordance with NRS 360.236, be refunded to the person, or his or 31 32 her successors, administrators or executors.

2. Any overpayment of the tax imposed by section 33 of this act by a purchaser to a retailer who is required to collect the tax and who gives the purchaser a receipt therefor pursuant to sections 33 to 43, inclusive, of this act must be credited or refunded by the State to the purchaser, subject to the requirements of NRS 360.236.

39 Sec. 70. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.235 and 40 360.395 and section 62 of this act:

41 1. No refund may be allowed unless a claim for it is filed with 42 the Department within 3 years after the last day of the month 43 following the close of the period for which the overpayment was 44 made.





1 2. No credit may be allowed after the expiration of the period 2 specified for filing claims for refund unless a claim for credit is 3 filed with the Department within that period, or unless the credit 4 relates to a period for which a waiver is given pursuant to 5 NRS 360.355.

Sec. 71. No credit or refund of any amount paid pursuant to 6 7 sections 33 to 43, inclusive, of this act may be allowed on the 8 ground that the use of the specified digital products is exempted pursuant to section 53 of this act, unless the person who paid the 9 amount reimburses the vendor of the specified digital products for 10 the amount of the tax imposed by section 24 of this act upon the 11 12 vendor of the specified digital products with respect to the sale of 13 the specified digital products and paid by the vendor to the State.

14 Sec. 72. Every claim must be in writing and state the specific 15 grounds upon which the claim is founded.

16 Sec. 73. Failure to file a claim within the time prescribed in 17 section 70 of this act constitutes a waiver of any demand against 18 the State on account of overpayment.

19 Sec. 74. Within 30 days after disallowing any claim in whole 20 or in part, the Department shall serve notice of its action on the 21 claimant in the manner prescribed for service of notice of a 22 deficiency determination.

23 Sec. 75. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.320 or any 24 other specific statute, interest must be paid upon any overpayment 25 of any amount of tax at the rate set forth in, and in accordance 26 with the provisions of, NRS 360.2937.

27 Sec. 76. If the Department determines that any overpayment 28 has been made intentionally or by reason of carelessness, it shall 29 not allow any interest thereon.

30 Sec. 77. No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or 31 equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in 32 any court against the State, a county or any officer thereof to 33 prevent or enjoin the collection under this chapter of any tax or 34 any amount of tax required to be collected.

35 Sec. 78. No suit or proceeding shall be maintained in any 36 court for the recovery of any amount alleged to have been 37 erroneously or illegally determined or collected unless a claim for 38 refund or credit has been duly filed.

Sec. 79. 1. Within 90 days after a final decision upon a claim filed pursuant to this chapter is rendered by the Nevada Tax Commission, the claimant may bring an action against the Department on the grounds set forth in the claim in a court of competent jurisdiction in Carson City, the county of this State where the claimant resides or maintains his or her principal place of business or a county in which any relevant proceedings were





1 conducted by the Department, for the recovery of the whole or any

2 part of the amount with respect to which the claim has been 3 disallowed.

4 2. Failure to bring an action within the time specified 5 constitutes a waiver of any demand against the State on account of 6 alleged overpayments.

7 Sec. 80. If the Department fails to mail notice of action on a 8 claim within 6 months after the claim is filed, the claimant may consider the claim disallowed and file an appeal with a hearing 9 officer within 45 days after the last day of the 6-month period. If 10 the claimant is aggrieved by the decision of the hearing officer on 11 12 appeal, the claimant may, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 13 360.245, appeal the decision to the Nevada Tax Commission. If the claimant is aggrieved by the decision of the Commission on 14 15 appeal, the claimant may, within 45 days after the decision is rendered, bring an action against the Department on the grounds 16 17 set forth in the claim for the recovery of the whole or any part of 18 the amount claimed as an overpayment.

19 Sec. 81. 1. If judgment is rendered for the plaintiff, the 20 amount of the judgment must first be credited as follows:

(a) If the judgment is for a refund of tax imposed by section 24
of this act, it must be credited on any amount of tax due from the
plaintiff pursuant to this chapter.

(b) If the judgment is for a refund of the tax imposed by
section 33 of this act, it must be credited on any amount of that tax
due from the plaintiff pursuant to this chapter.

27 2. The balance of the judgment must be refunded to the 28 plaintiff.

Sec. 82. In any judgment, interest shall be allowed at the rate of 3 percent per annum upon the amount found to have been illegally collected from the date of payment of the amount to the date of allowance of credit on account of the judgment, or to a date preceding the date of the refund warrant by not more than 30 days, the date to be determined by the Department.

Sec. 83. A judgment shall not be rendered in favor of the plaintiff in any action brought against the Department to recover any amount paid when the action is brought by or in the name of an assignee of the person paying the amount or by any person other than the person who paid the amount.

40 Sec. 84. The Department may recover any refund or part of it 41 which is erroneously made and any credit or part of it which is 42 erroneously allowed in an action brought in a court of competent 43 jurisdiction in Carson City or Clark County in the name of the 44 State of Nevada.





Sec. 85. The action must be tried in Carson City or Clark 1 2 County unless the court, with the consent of the Attorney General, orders a change of place of trial. 3

Sec. 86. The Attorney General shall prosecute the action, 4 5 and the provisions of NRS, the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure 6 and the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure relating to service of 7 summons, pleadings, proofs, trials and appeals are applicable to 8 the proceedings.

9 Sec. 87. 1. If any amount in excess of \$25 has been illegally determined, either by the person filing the return or by the 10 Department, the Department shall certify this fact to the State 11 12 Board of Examiners, and the latter shall authorize the 13 cancellation of the amount upon the records of the Department.

2. If an amount not exceeding \$25 has been illegally 14 determined, either by the person filing a return or by the 15 Department, the Department, without certifying this fact to 16 the State Board of Examiners, shall authorize the cancellation of 17 the amount upon the records of the Department. 18

19 Sec. 88. This chapter must be administered in accordance 20 with the provisions of chapter 360B of NRS. 21

Sec. 89. 1. The provisions of this chapter relating to:

22 (a) The imposition, collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 24 of this act apply to every retailer whose 23 24 activities have a sufficient nexus with this State to satisfy the 25 requirements of the United States Constitution.

26 (b) The collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 27 33 of this act apply to every retailer whose activities have a 28 sufficient nexus with this State to satisfy the requirements of the 29 United States Constitution.

In administering the provisions of this chapter, the 30 2. Department shall construe the terms "seller," "retailer" and 31 32 "retailer maintaining a place of business in this State" in 33 accordance with the provisions of subsection 1.

Sec. 90. As used in sections 90 to 97, inclusive, of this act, 34 35 unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 91, 92 and 93 of this act have the meanings ascribed to 36 37 them in those sections.

38 Sec. 91. "Affiliate" means a person who directly or indirectly owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common 39 40 ownership or control with, another person. For the purposes of this section, control shall be presumed to exist if any person 41 42 directly or indirectly owns, controls, holds with the power to vote or holds proxies representing 10 percent or more of the voting 43 securities of any other person. This presumption may be rebutted 44 45 by a showing that control does not exist in fact.





1 Sec. 92. 1. "Marketplace facilitator" means a person, 2 including any affiliate of the person, who:

3 (a) Directly or indirectly, does one or more of the following to 4 facilitate a retail sale:

5 (1) Lists, makes available or advertises specified digital 6 products for sale by a marketplace seller in a marketplace owned, 7 operated or controlled by the person;

8 (2) Facilitates the sale of a marketplace seller's product 9 a marketplace by transmitting through or otherwise communicating an offer or acceptance of a retail sale of specified 10 digital products between a marketplace seller and a purchaser in a 11 forum including a shop, store, booth, catalog, Internet site or 12 13 similar forum;

14 (3) Owns, rents, licenses, makes available or operates any 15 electronic or physical infrastructure or any property, process, 16 method, copyright, trademark or patent that connects marketplace 17 sellers to purchasers for the purpose of making retail sales of 18 specified digital products;

19 (4) Provides a marketplace for making retail sales of 20 specified digital products, or otherwise facilitates retail sales 21 of specified digital products, regardless of ownership or control of 22 the specified digital products that are the subject of the retail sale;

23 (5) Provides software development or research and 24 development activities related to any activity described in this 25 subsection, if such software development or research and 26 development activities are directly related to the physical or 27 electronic marketplace provided by a marketplace provider;

(6) Provides or offers fulfillment or storage services for a
 marketplace seller;

30 (7) Sets prices for the sale of specified digital products by a
 31 marketplace seller;

32 (8) Provides or offers customer service to a marketplace 33 seller or the customers of a marketplace seller, or accepts or 34 assists with taking orders, returns or exchanges of specified digital 35 products sold by a marketplace seller; or

36 (9) Brands or otherwise identifies sales as those of the 37 marketplace facilitator; and

(b) Directly or indirectly, does one or more of the following to
 facilitate a retail sale:

40 (1) Collects the sales price or purchase price of a retail sale 41 of specified digital products;

42 (2) Provides payment processing services for a retail sale of 43 specified digital products;

44 (3) Charges, collects or otherwise receives selling fees, 45 listing fees, referral fees, closing fees, fees for inserting or making



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1 available specified digital products on a marketplace or other 2 consideration from the facilitation of a retail sale of specified 3 digital products, regardless of ownership or control of the 4 specified digital products that are the subject of the retail sale;

5 (4) Through terms and conditions, agreements or arrangements with a third party, collects payment in connection 6 7 with a retail sale of specified digital products from a purchaser 8 and transmits that payment to the marketplace seller, regardless of whether the person collecting and transmitting such payment 9 receives compensation or other consideration in exchange for the 10 11 service: or

12 (5) Provides a virtual currency that purchasers are allowed 13 or required to use to purchase specified digital products.

14 2. The term does not include a person who provides Internet 15 advertising services, including, without limitation, the listing of 16 products for sale, if the person does not directly or indirectly or 17 through an affiliate:

(a) Transmit or otherwise communicate an offer or acceptance
of a retail sale of specified digital products between a marketplace
seller and a purchaser; and

21 (b) Do one or more of the activities listed in paragraph (b) of 22 subsection 1.

23 The term includes a provider of direct broadcast satellite *3*. 24 service as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 335(b)(5)(A) or a cable operator as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 522(5) who meets the definition of "marketplace facilitator" provided in subsection 1, including, 25 26 without limitation, by facilitating the retail sale of a software 27 28 application of a marketplace seller which may be accessed 29 through the digital platform owned, operated or controlled by the provider of direct broadcast satellite service or cable operator. A 30 provider of direct broadcast satellite service or cable operator is 31 32 not a marketplace facilitator with respect to a software application 33 of a marketplace seller which may be accessed through the digital platform owned, operated or controlled by the provider of direct 34 broadcast satellite service or cable operator for no additional 35 36 charge.

Sec. 93. "Marketplace seller" means:

38 1. A seller who makes retail sales through any physical or 39 electronic marketplace owned, operated or controlled by a 40 marketplace facilitator, even if such seller would not have been 41 required to collect and remit the sales tax or use tax had the sale 42 not been made through such marketplace; or

43 2. A seller who makes retail sales resulting from a referral by 44 a referrer, even if such seller would not have been required to



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collect and remit the sales tax or use tax had the sale not been
 made through such referrer.

3 Sec. 94. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and 4 section 95 of this act, the provisions of this chapter relating to the 5 imposition, collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 6 24 of this act, and the collection and remittance of the tax imposed 7 by section 33 of this act, apply to a marketplace facilitator during 8 a calendar year in which or during a calendar year immediately 9 following any calendar year in which:

10 (a) The cumulative gross receipts from retail sales of tangible 11 personal property and specified digital products made or 12 facilitated by the marketplace facilitator on its own behalf or for 13 one or more marketplace sellers to customers in this State exceed 14 \$100,000; or

15 (b) The marketplace facilitator makes or facilitates 200 or 16 more separate retail sales transactions of tangible personal 17 property or specified digital products on his or her own behalf or 18 for one or more marketplace sellers to customers in this State.

19 2. The provisions of this chapter relating to the imposition, 20 collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 24 of this 21 act and the collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 22 33 of this act do not apply to a marketplace facilitator described in 23 subsection 1 if:

(a) The marketplace facilitator and the marketplace seller have
entered into a written agreement whereby the marketplace seller
assumes responsibility for the collection and remittance of the tax
imposed by section 24 of this act, and the collection and
remittance of the tax imposed by section 33 of this act, for retail
sales made by the marketplace seller through the marketplace
facilitator; and

31 (b) The marketplace seller has obtained a permit pursuant to 32 section 27 of this act or registered pursuant to NRS 360B.200.

Upon request of the Department, a marketplace facilitator shall 33 34 provide to the Department a report containing the name of each marketplace seller with whom the marketplace facilitator has 35 entered into an agreement pursuant to this subsection and such 36 37 other information as the Department determines is necessary to ensure that each marketplace seller with whom the marketplace 38 facilitator has entered into an agreement pursuant to this 39 40 subsection has obtained a permit pursuant to section 27 of this act or registered pursuant to NRS 360B.200. 41

42 3. Except as otherwise provided in this section and section 95 43 of this act, the provisions of subsection 1 apply regardless of 44 whether:





(a) The marketplace seller for whom a marketplace facilitator 1 2 makes or facilitates a retail sale would not have been reauired to 3 collect and remit the sales tax or the use tax had the retail sale not been facilitated by the marketplace facilitator; 4

5 (b) The marketplace seller for whom a marketplace facilitator makes or facilitates a retail sale was required to register with the 6 Department pursuant to NRS 360B.200 or obtain a permit 7 8 pursuant to section 27 of this act; or

(c) The amount of the sales price of a retail sale will ultimately 9 accrue to or benefit the marketplace facilitator, the marketplace 10 11 seller or any other person.

12 4. In administering the provisions of this chapter, the Department shall construe the terms "seller," "retailer" and 13 "retailer maintaining a place of business in this State" in 14 15 accordance with the provisions of this section.

Sec. 95. 1. In administering the provisions of this chapter, 16 the Department shall not hold a marketplace facilitator liable for 17 the payment of any tax imposed by this chapter which is 18 attributable to a retail sale made or facilitated on behalf of a 19 20 marketplace seller who is not an affiliate of the marketplace 21 facilitator if:

22 (a) The marketplace facilitator provides proof satisfactory to 23 the Department that the marketplace facilitator has made a 24 reasonable effort to obtain accurate information from the 25 marketplace seller about the retail sale; and

26 (b) The failure to collect and remit the correct tax on the retail 27 sale was due to incorrect information provided to the marketplace 28 facilitator by the marketplace seller.

29 *2*. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, in administering the provisions of this chapter, the Department shall 30 not hold a marketplace facilitator liable for the payment of any tax 31 32 imposed by this chapter which is attributable to a retail sale made 33 or facilitated on behalf of a marketplace seller who is not an 34 affiliate of the marketplace facilitator if the marketplace facilitator provides proof satisfactory to the Department that: 35 36

(a) The retail sale was made before January 1, 2022;

37 (b) The retail sale was made through a marketplace of the 38 *marketplace facilitator; and*

(c) The failure to collect the tax imposed by section 24 of this 39 40 act and the tax imposed by section 33 of this act was due to an 41 error other than an error in sourcing the retail sale.

42 3. The relief from liability provided pursuant to subsection 2 for the 2022 and 2023 calendar years, respectively, must not 43 44 exceed 5 percent of the total tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of 45 this act owed for the calendar year on the cumulative gross



1 receipts of the marketplace facilitator from retail sales made or 2 facilitated by the marketplace facilitator for one or more 3 marketplace sellers to customers in this State.

4 4. If a marketplace facilitator is relieved of liability for the 5 collection and remittance of any amount of the tax imposed by 6 section 24 of this act or the tax imposed by section 33 of this act 7 pursuant to subsection 1, the marketplace seller or purchaser, as 8 applicable, is liable for the payment of such uncollected, unpaid or 9 unremitted tax.

10 5. To the extent that a marketplace facilitator is relieved of 11 liability for the collection and remittance of any tax pursuant to 12 subsections 2 and 3, the marketplace seller for whom the 13 marketplace facilitator made or facilitated the retail sale giving 14 rise to the tax is also relieved of such liability.

15 6. Nothing in this section shall be construed to relieve any 16 person of liability for collecting but failing to remit to the 17 Department any tax imposed by this chapter.

Sec. 96. 1. The Department may provide by regulation that, except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of this chapter relating to the imposition, collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 24 of this act and the collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 33 of this act apply to a referrer during a calendar year in which, or during a calendar year immediately following any calendar year in which:

(a) The cumulative gross receipts from retail sales of tangible
personal property and specified digital products to customers in
this State resulting from referrals from a platform of the referrer
are in excess of \$100,000; or

(b) There are 200 or more separate retail sales transactions
involving sales of tangible personal property or specified digital
products to customers in this State resulting from referrals from a
platform of the referrer.

2. Any regulations adopted by the Department pursuant to
subsection 1 must provide that the provisions of this chapter
relating to the imposition, collection and remittance of the tax
imposed by section 24 of this act, and the collection and
remittance of the tax imposed by section 33 of this act do not apply
to a referrer described in subsection 1 if the referrer:

39 (a) Posts a conspicuous notice on each platform of the referrer
 40 that includes all of the following:

41 (1) A statement that tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of 42 this act is due on certain purchases;

43 (2) A statement that the marketplace seller from whom the 44 person is purchasing on the platform may or may not collect and





remit the tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act on a purchase:

3 (3) A statement that Nevada requires the purchaser to pay 4 the tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act and file a return 5 for such taxes if the tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act 6 is not collected at the time of the sale by the marketplace seller;

7 (4) Information informing the purchaser that the notice is 8 provided under the requirements of this section; and

9 (5) Instructions for obtaining additional information from 10 the Department regarding whether and how to remit the tax 11 imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act;

12 (b) The referrer provides a monthly notice to each marketplace 13 seller to whom the referrer made a referral of a potential customer 14 located in this State during the previous calendar year, which 15 monthly notice shall contain all of the following:

16 (1) A statement that Nevada imposes the tax imposed by 17 sections 24 and 33 of this act on retail sales in this State;

18 (2) A statement that a marketplace facilitator or other 19 retailer making retail sales in this State must collect and remit the 20 tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act; and

(3) Instructions for obtaining additional information from
 the Department regarding the collection and remittance of the tax
 imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act; and

(c) The referrer provides the Department with periodic reports
in an electronic format and in the manner prescribed by the
Department, which reports contain all of the following:

27 (1) A list of marketplace sellers who received a notice from
28 the referrer pursuant to paragraph (b);

29 (2) A list of marketplace sellers that collect and remit the 30 tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act and that list or 31 advertise the marketplace seller's products for sale on a platform 32 of the referrer; and

33 (3) An affidavit signed under penalty of perjury from an
34 officer of the referrer affirming that the referrer made reasonable
35 efforts to comply with the applicable notice and reporting
36 requirements of this subsection.

37 3. Any regulations adopted by the Department pursuant to 38 subsection 1 must provide that in administering the provisions of 39 this chapter, the Department shall construe the terms "seller," 40 "retailer" and "retailer maintaining a place of business in this 41 State" in accordance with the provisions of this section.

42 **4.** Any regulations adopted by the Department pursuant to 43 subsection 1 must apply only to referrals by a referrer and shall 44 not preclude the applicability of other provisions of this chapter to



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a person who is a referrer and is also a retailer, a marketplace facilitator or a marketplace seller.

2 5. 3 As used in this section:

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(a) "Platform" means an electronic or physical medium, 4 5 including, without limitation, an Internet site or catalog, that is owned, operated or controlled by a referrer. 6

7 (b) "Referral" means the transfer through telephone, Internet 8 link or other means by a referrer of a potential customer to a retailer or seller who advertises or lists specified digital products 9 for sale on a platform of the referrer. 10

(c) "Referrer":

(1) Means a person who does all of the following:

13 (I) Contracts or otherwise agrees with a retailer, seller or marketplace facilitator to list or advertise for sale specified 14 15 digital products of the retailer, seller or marketplace facilitator on a platform, provided such listing or advertisement identifies 16 whether or not the retailer, seller or marketplace facilitator 17 collects the tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act; 18

(II) Receives a commission, fee or other consideration 19 20 from the retailer, seller or marketplace facilitator for the listing or 21 advertisement:

22 (III) Provides referrals to a retailer, seller or marketplace facilitator, or an affiliate of a retailer, seller or 23 24 marketplace facilitator: and

25 (IV) Does not collect money or other consideration from 26 the customer for the transaction. 27

(2) Does not include:

28 (I) A person primarily engaged in the business of 29 printing or publishing a newspaper; or

30 (II) A person who does not provide the retailer's, seller's or marketplace facilitator's shipping terms and who does not 31 advertise whether a retailer, seller or marketplace facilitator 32 collects the tax imposed by sections 24 and 33 of this act. 33

Sec. 97. 1. Nothing in sections 90 to 97, inclusive, of this 34 35 act shall be construed to create any remedy or private right of 36 action against a marketplace facilitator.

37 2. A marketplace facilitator that is required to collect taxes imposed by this chapter is immune from civil liability for claims 38 arising from or related to the overpayment of taxes imposed by this 39 chapter if the marketplace facilitator acted in good faith and 40 without malicious intent. 41

42 3. Nothing in this section applies to or otherwise limits:

43 (a) Any claim, action, mandate, power, remedy or discretion of 44 the Department, or an agent or designee of the Department.





1 (b) The right of a taxpayer to seek a refund pursuant to 2 sections 69 to 87, inclusive, of this act.

3 Sec. 98. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is 4 presumed that the provisions of this chapter relating to the 5 imposition, collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 6 24 of this act, and the collection and remittance of the tax imposed 7 by section 33 of this act, apply to a retailer if:

8 (a) The retailer is part of a controlled group of corporations 9 that has a component member, other than a common carrier 10 acting in its capacity as such, that has physical presence in this 11 State; and

12 (b) The component member with physical presence in this 13 State:

14 (1) Sells a similar line of products or services as the retailer 15 and does so under a business name that is the same or similar to 16 that of the retailer;

17 (2) Maintains an office, distribution facility, warehouse or 18 storage place or similar place of business in this State to facilitate 19 the delivery of products or services sold by the retailer to the 20 retailer's customers;

(3) Uses trademarks, service marks or trade names in this
State that are the same or substantially similar to those used by the
retailer;

24 (4) Delivers, installs, assembles or performs maintenance
 25 services for the retailer's customers within this State;

(5) Facilitates the retailer's delivery of products or services
to customers in this State by allowing the retailer's customers to
pick up or receive products or services sold by the retailer at an
office, distribution facility, warehouse, storage place or similar
place of business maintained by the component member in this
State; or

32 (6) Conducts any other activities in this State that are 33 significantly associated with the retailer's ability to establish and 34 maintain a market in this State for the retailer's products or 35 services.

36 2. A retailer may rebut the presumption set forth in 37 subsection 1 by providing proof satisfactory to the Department 38 that, during the calendar year in question, the activities of the 39 component member with physical presence in this State are not 40 significantly associated with the retailer's ability to establish or 41 maintain a market in this State for the retailer's products or 42 services.

43 3. In administering the provisions of this chapter, the 44 Department shall construe the terms "seller," "retailer" and





1 *"retailer maintaining a place of business in this State" in* 2 accordance with the provisions of this section.

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4. As used in this section:

4 (a) "Component member" has the meaning ascribed to it in 5 section 1563(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 6 1563(b), and includes any entity that, notwithstanding its form of 7 organization, bears the same ownership relationship to the retailer 8 as a corporation that would qualify as a component member of the 9 same controlled group of corporations as the retailer.

10 (b) "Controlled group of corporations" has the meaning 11 ascribed to it in section 1563(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 12 U.S.C. § 1563(a), and includes any entity that, notwithstanding its 13 form of organization, bears the same ownership relationship to the 14 retailer as a corporation that would qualify as a component 15 member of the same controlled group of corporations as the 16 retailer.

17 Sec. 99. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is 18 presumed that the provisions of this chapter relating to:

19 (a) The imposition, collection and remittance of the tax 20 imposed by section 24 of this act; and

(b) The collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section
33 of this act,

23 → apply to every retailer who enters into an agreement with a 24 resident of this State under which the resident, for a commission 25 or other consideration based upon the sale of specified digital 26 products by the retailer, directly or indirectly refers potential 27 customers, whether by a link on an Internet website or otherwise, 28 to the retailer, if the cumulative gross receipts from sales by the 29 retailer to customers in this State who are referred to the retailer 30 by all residents with this type of an agreement with the retailer is in excess of \$10,000 during the preceding four quarterly periods 31 32 ending on the last day of March, June, September and December.

A retailer may rebut the presumption set forth in 33 2. subsection 1 by providing proof satisfactory to the Department that 34 35 each resident with whom the retailer has an agreement did not engage in any activity in this State that was significantly 36 37 associated with the retailer's ability to establish or maintain a market in this State for the retailer's products or services during 38 the preceding four quarterly periods ending on the last day of 39 March, June, September and December. Such proof may consist 40 of the sworn written statements of each resident with whom the 41 42 retailer has an agreement stating that the resident did not engage 43 in any solicitation in this State on behalf of the retailer during the preceding four quarterly periods ending on the last day of March, 44





June, September and December, if the statements were obtained
 from each resident and provided to the Department in good faith.

3 3. In administering the provisions of this chapter, the 4 Department shall construe the terms "seller," "retailer" and 5 "retailer maintaining a place of business in this State" in 6 accordance with the provisions of this section.

7 Sec. 100. 1. The provisions of this chapter relating to the 8 imposition, collection and remittance of the tax imposed by section 9 24 of this act, and the collection and remittance of the tax imposed 10 by section 33 of this act apply to a retailer if, in the immediately 11 preceding calendar year or the current calendar year:

(a) The gross revenue of the retailer from the retail sale of tangible personal property or specified digital products, or the total gross revenue of the retailer from the retail sale of tangible personal property and specified digital products, in transactions that took place in this State, as determined pursuant to NRS 360B.350 to 360B.375, inclusive, or section 23 of this act, as applicable, is greater than \$100,000.

19 (b) The retailer had 200 or more transactions that took place 20 in this State, as determined pursuant to NRS 360B.350 to 21 360B.375, inclusive, or section 23 of this act, as applicable, in 22 which tangible personal property or specified digital products were 23 sold at retail.

24 2. In administering the provisions of this chapter, the 25 Department shall construe the terms "seller," "retailer" and 26 "retailer maintaining a place of business in this State" in 27 accordance with the provisions of subsection 1.

28 Sec. 101. 1. The Department shall enforce the provisions of 29 this chapter and may adopt regulations relating to the 30 administration and enforcement of this chapter.

31 2. The Department may prescribe the extent to which any 32 regulation may be applied without retroactive effect.

33 Sec. 102. In administering the provisions of section 49 of this 34 act, the Department shall apply the exemption for the sale of 35 specified digital products to the State of Nevada, its 36 unincorporated agencies and instrumentalities to include all 37 specified digital products that are sold to:

1. A member of the Nevada National Guard who is engaged
in full-time National Guard duty, as defined in 10 U.S.C. §
101(d)(5) and has been called into active service.

41 2. A relative of a member of the Nevada National Guard 42 eligible for the exemption pursuant to subsection 1 who:

43 (a) Resides in the same home or dwelling in this State as the 44 member; and




1 (b) Is related by blood, adoption or marriage within the first 2 degree of consanguinity or affinity to the member.

3 3. A relative of a deceased member of the Nevada National 4 Guard who was engaged in full-time National Guard duty, as 5 defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101(d)(5), and who was killed while 6 performing his or her duties as a member of the Nevada National 7 Guard during a period when the member was called into active 8 service. To be eligible under this subsection, the relative must be a 9 person who:

10 (a) Resided in the same house or dwelling in this State as the 11 deceased member; and

(b) Was related by blood, adoption or marriage within the first
 degree of consanguinity or affinity to the deceased member.

14 Sec. 103. 1. A person who wishes to claim an exemption 15 pursuant to section 102 of this act must file an application with the 16 Department to obtain a letter of exemption. The application must 17 be on a form and contain such information as is required by the 18 Department.

2. If the Department determines that a person is eligible for 19 20 the exemption provided pursuant to section 102 of this act, the 21 Department shall issue a letter of exemption to the person. A letter 22 of exemption issued to a member of the Nevada National Guard 23 described in subsection 1 of section 102 of this act or a relative of 24 a member described in subsection 2 of section 102 of this act 25 expires on the date on which the person no longer meets the 26 qualifications for eligibility. A letter of exemption issued to a 27 relative of a deceased member of the Nevada National Guard 28 described in subsection 3 of section 102 of this act expires on the 29 date 3 years after the date of the death of the member.

30 3. To claim an exemption pursuant to section 102 of this act 31 for the sale of specified digital products to such a person:

(a) The person must provide a copy of the letter of exemption
to the retailer from whom the person purchases the specified
digital products; and

(b) The retailer must retain and present upon request a copy of
 the letter of exemption to the Department.

4. The Department shall adopt such regulations as are
necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 104. The Department may employ accountants, auditors, investigators, assistants and clerks necessary for the efficient administration of this chapter, and may delegate authority to its representatives to conduct hearings, adopt regulations or perform any other duties imposed by this chapter.

44 Sec. 105. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, 45 any broadcaster, printer, outdoor advertising firm, advertising



distributor or publisher which broadcasts, publishes, displays or 1 distributes paid commercial advertising in this State which is 2 3 intended to be disseminated primarily to persons located in this State and is only secondarily disseminated to bordering 4 5 jurisdictions, including advertising appearing exclusively in a Nevada edition or section of a national publication, must be 6 7 regarded, for the purposes set forth in subsection 2 only, as the 8 agent of the person or entity placing the advertisement, and as a retailer maintaining a place of business in this State. 9

10 The agency created by this section is solely for the purpose 2. 11 of the proper administration of this chapter, to prevent evasion of 12 the tax imposed by section 33 of this act and the duty to collect that 13 tax, and to provide a presence in Nevada for the collection of the tax imposed by section 33 of this act by and from advertisers and 14 15 sellers who do not otherwise maintain a place of business in this State. The agent has no responsibility to report, or liability to pay, 16 17 any tax imposed under this chapter and is not restricted by the provisions of this chapter from accepting advertisements from 18 advertisers or sellers who do not otherwise maintain a place of 19 20 business in this State.

21 Sec. 106. 1. Every seller, every retailer, and every person 22 storing, using or otherwise consuming in this State specified 23 digital products purchased from a retailer shall keep records, 24 receipts, invoices and other pertinent papers in such form as the 25 Department may require.

26 2. Every seller, retailer or person who files the returns
27 required under this chapter shall keep the records for not less than
28 4 years from their making unless the Department in writing
29 sooner authorizes their destruction.

30 3. Every seller, retailer or person who fails to file the returns 31 required under this chapter shall keep the records for not less than 32 8 years from their making unless the Department in writing 33 sooner authorizes their destruction.

Sec. 107. 1. The Department, or any person authorized in 34 35 writing by it, may examine the books, papers, records and equipment of any person selling specified digital products and any 36 person liable for the tax imposed by section 33 of this act and may 37 investigate the character of the business of the person to verify the 38 accuracy of any return made, or, if no return is made by the 39 person, to ascertain and determine the amount required to be paid. 40 Any person selling or purchasing specified digital products 41 *2*. 42 in this State who:

43 (a) Is required to:

44 (1) Obtain a permit pursuant to section 27 of this act or 45 register pursuant to NRS 360B.200; or





1 (2) File a return pursuant to subsection 2 of section 59 of 2 this act; and

3 (b) Keeps outside of this State his or her records, receipts,
4 invoices and other documents relating to sales the person has
5 made or the tax imposed by section 33 of this act due this State,

6 → shall pay to the Department an amount equal to the allowance 7 provided for state officers and employees generally while traveling 8 outside of the State for each day or fraction thereof during which 9 an employee of the Department is engaged in examining those 10 documents, plus any other actual expenses incurred by the 11 employee while he or she is absent from his or her regular place of 12 employment to examine those documents.

13 Sec. 108. In its administration of the tax imposed by section 14 33 of this act, the Department may require the filing of reports by 15 any person or class of persons having in their possession or 16 custody information relating to sales of specified digital products, 17 the use of which is subject to the tax. The report must:

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1. Be filed when the Department requires.

19 2. Set forth the names and addresses of purchasers of the 20 specified digital products, the sales price of the specified digital 21 products, the date of sale, and such other information as the 22 Department may require.

23 Sec. 109. Any retailer or other person who fails or refuses to 24 furnish any return required to be made, or who fails or refuses to 25 furnish a supplemental return or other data required by the 26 Department, or who renders a false or fraudulent return shall be 27 fined not more than \$500 for each offense.

Sec. 110. Any person required to make, render, sign or verify any report who makes any false or fraudulent return, with intent to defeat or evade the determination of an amount due required by law to be made, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall for each offense be fined not less than \$300 nor more than \$5,000, or be imprisoned for not more than 364 days in the county jail, or be punished by both fine and imprisonment.

35 Sec. 111. Any violation of this chapter, except as otherwise 36 provided, is a misdemeanor.

37 Sec. 112. Any prosecution for violation of any of the penal 38 provisions of this chapter must be instituted within 3 years after 39 the commission of the offense.

40 Sec. 113. In the determination of any case arising under this 41 chapter, the rule of res judicata is applicable only if the liability 42 involved is for the same period as was involved in another case 43 previously determined.

44 Sec. 114. 1. All fees, taxes, interest and penalties imposed 45 and all amounts of tax required to be paid to the State under this





chapter must be paid to the Department in the form of remittances
 payable to the Department.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the 3 Department shall deposit the payments in the State Treasury to the 4 5 credit of each account in the State General Fund to which is 6 credited a tax imposed upon sales at retail of tangible personal 7 property and use tax due on the purchase of tangible personal 8 property for use in this State, in the proportion that would be credited to each account if the fees, taxes, interest and penalties 9 imposed or required to be paid to the State under this chapter were 10 a tax upon sales at retail of tangible personal property or use tax 11 12 due on the purchase of tangible personal property for use in this 13 State.

14 3. The payments pursuant to this chapter which, in the 15 absence of this subsection, would be allocated pursuant to NRS 16 377.055 and 377.057 must instead be distributed to the county to 17 which the underlying retail sale of specified digital products is 18 deemed to take place pursuant to section 23 of this act.

19 Sec. 115. The money in the accounts described in subsection 20 2 of section 114 of this act may, upon order of the State 21 Controller, be used for refunds under this chapter.

22 Sec. 116. The remedies of the State provided for in this 23 chapter are cumulative, and no action taken by the Department or 24 the Attorney General constitutes an election by the State to pursue 25 any remedy to the exclusion of any other remedy for which 26 provision is made in this chapter.

27 Sec. 117. The imposition of taxes by this chapter, the 28 categories of transactions upon which taxes are imposed and the 29 specification of exemptions are exclusive. The Nevada Tax 30 Commission and the Department shall not construe any provision 31 of this chapter to authorize the imposition of a tax imposed by this 32 chapter upon any transaction not expressly made taxable by this 33 chapter.

- 34 Sec. 118. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 35 Sec. 119. (Deleted by amendment.)
 36 Sec. 120. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 36 Sec. 120. (Deleted by amendment.)
 37 Sec. 121. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 38 Sec. 121. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 39 Sec. 123. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 40 Sec. 124. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 41 Sec. 125. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 41 Sec. 125. (Deleted by amendment.) 42 Sec. 126. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 42 Sec. 120. (Deleted by amendment.) 43 Sec. 127. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 44 Sec. 128. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 45 **Sec. 129.** (Deleted by amendment.)





- 1 Sec. 130. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 2 Sec. 131. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 3 Sec. 132. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 4 Sec. 133. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 5 Sec. 134. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 6 Sec. 135. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 7 Sec. 136. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 8 Sec. 137. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 9 Sec. 138. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 10 Sec. 139. NRS 360.261 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 360.261 Not later than 30 days after the Department or the 12 Nevada Tax Commission makes a finding or ruling, or enters into an 13 agreement with a retailer providing, that the provisions of chapters 14 372 and 374 of NRS and sections 2 to 117, inclusive, of this act relating to the imposition, collection and remittance of [the sales] a 15 16 tax [, and the collection and remittance of the use tax,] do not apply 17 to the retailer, despite the presence in this State of an office, 18 distribution facility, warehouse or storage place or similar place of 19 business which is owned or operated by the retailer or an affiliate of 20 the retailer, whether the finding, ruling or agreement is written or 21 oral and whether the finding, ruling or agreement is express or 22 implied, the Department shall submit a report of the finding, ruling 23 or agreement to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for 24 transmittal to:

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1. If the Legislature is in session, the Legislature; or

26 2. If the Legislature is not in session, the Legislative 27 Commission.

28 Sec. 140. NRS 360.2937 is hereby amended to read as 29 follows:

30 360.2937 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, NRS 360.320 or any other specific statute, and notwithstanding the 31 32 provisions of NRS 360.2935, interest must be paid upon an 33 overpayment of any tax provided for in chapter 362, 363A, 363B, 363C, 369, 370, 372, 372B, 374, 377, 377A, 377C or 377D of NRS 34 H or sections 2 to 117, inclusive, of this act, any of the taxes 35 provided for in NRS 372A.290, any fee provided for in NRS 36 444A.090 or 482.313, or any assessment provided for in NRS 37 38 585.497, at the rate of 0.25 percent per month from the last day of the calendar month following the period for which the overpayment 39 40 was made.

2. No refund or credit may be made of any interest imposed onthe person making the overpayment with respect to the amountbeing refunded or credited.

44 3. The interest must be paid:





1 (a) In the case of a refund, to the last day of the calendar month 2 following the date upon which the person making the overpayment, 3 if the person has not already filed a claim, is notified by the 4 Department that a claim may be filed or the date upon which the 5 claim is certified to the State Board of Examiners, whichever is 6 earlier.

7 (b) In the case of a credit, to the same date as that to which 8 interest is computed on the tax or the amount against which the 9 credit is applied.

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Sec. 141. NRS 360.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. If a person fails to file a return or the Department 11 360.300 12 is not satisfied with the return or returns of any tax, contribution or 13 premium or amount of tax, contribution or premium required to be 14 paid to the State by any person, in accordance with the applicable provisions of this chapter, chapter 360B, 362, 363A, 363B, 363C, 15 369, 370, 372, 372A, 372B, 374, 377, 377A, 377C, 377D or 444A 16 17 of NRS, NRS 482.313, or chapter 585 or 680B of NRS [] or 18 sections 2 to 117, inclusive, of this act, as administered or audited by the Department, it may compute and determine the amount 19 20 required to be paid upon the basis of: 21

(a) The facts contained in the return;

(c) Reasonable estimates of the amount.

22 (b) Any information within its possession or that may come into 23 its possession; or

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25 2. One or more deficiency determinations may be made with 26 respect to the amount due for one or for more than one period.

27 3. In making its determination of the amount required to be 28 paid, the Department shall impose interest on the amount of tax 29 determined to be due, calculated at the rate and in the manner set 30 forth in NRS 360.417, unless a different rate of interest is 31 specifically provided by statute.

32 The Department shall impose a penalty of 10 percent in 4. 33 addition to the amount of a determination that is made in the case of the failure of a person to file a return with the Department. 34

35 5. When a business is discontinued, a determination may be 36 made at any time thereafter within the time prescribed in NRS 37 360.355 as to liability arising out of that business, irrespective of whether the determination is issued before the due date of the 38 39 liability.

40 **Sec. 142.** NRS 360.417 is hereby amended to read as follows:

41 360.417 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.232 and 360.320, and unless a different penalty or rate of interest is 42 43 specifically provided by statute, any person who fails to pay any tax provided for in chapter 362, 363A, 363B, 363C, 369, 370, 372, 44 45 372B, 374, 377, 377A, 377C, 377D, 444A or 585 of NRS H or





sections 2 to 117, inclusive, of this act, any of the taxes provided 1 2 for in NRS 372A.290, or any fee provided for in NRS 482.313, and any person or governmental entity that fails to pay any fee provided 3 for in NRS 360.787, to the State or a county within the time 4 5 required, shall pay a penalty of not more than 10 percent of the 6 amount of the tax or fee which is owed, as determined by the Department, in addition to the tax or fee, plus interest at the rate of 7 8 0.75 percent per month, or fraction of a month, from the last day of 9 the month following the period for which the amount or any portion of the amount should have been reported until the date of payment. 10 The amount of any penalty imposed must be based on a graduated 11 12 schedule adopted by the Nevada Tax Commission which takes into 13 consideration the length of time the tax or fee remained unpaid.

14 Sec. 143. NRS 360.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 360.510 1. If any person is delinquent in the payment of any 16 tax or fee administered by the Department or if a determination has 17 been made against the person which remains unpaid, the 18 Department may:

(a) Not later than 3 years after the payment became delinquentor the determination became final; or

(b) Not later than 6 years after the last recording of an abstractof judgment or of a certificate constituting a lien for tax owed,

23 \rightarrow give a notice of the delinquency and a demand to transmit 24 personally or by registered or certified mail to any person, 25 including, without limitation, any officer or department of this State 26 or any political subdivision or agency of this State, who has in his or 27 her possession or under his or her control any credits or other 28 personal property belonging to the delinquent, or owing any debts to 29 the delinquent or person against whom a determination has been 30 made which remains unpaid, or owing any debts to the delinquent or 31 that person. In the case of any state officer, department or agency, 32 the notice must be given to the officer, department or agency before 33 the Department presents the claim of the delinquent taxpayer to the 34 State Controller.

2. A state officer, department or agency which receives such a
notice may satisfy any debt owed to it by that person before it
honors the notice of the Department.

38 3. After receiving the demand to transmit, the person notified 39 by the demand may not transfer or otherwise dispose of the credits, 40 other personal property, or debts in his or her possession or under 41 his or her control at the time the person received the notice until the 42 Department consents to a transfer or other disposition.

43 4. Every person notified by a demand to transmit shall, within
44 10 days after receipt of the demand to transmit, inform the
45 Department of and transmit to the Department all such credits, other





personal property or debts in his or her possession, under his or her
 control or owing by that person within the time and in the manner
 requested by the Department. Except as otherwise provided in
 subsection 5, no further notice is required to be served to that
 person.

6 5. If the property of the delinquent taxpayer consists of a series 7 of payments owed to him or her, the person who owes or controls 8 the payments shall transmit the payments to the Department until 9 otherwise notified by the Department. If the debt of the delinquent taxpayer is not paid within 1 year after the Department issued the 10 original demand to transmit, the Department shall issue another 11 12 demand to transmit to the person responsible for making the 13 payments informing him or her to continue to transmit payments to 14 the Department or that his or her duty to transmit the payments to 15 the Department has ceased.

6. If the notice of the delinquency seeks to prevent the transfer or other disposition of a deposit in a bank or credit union or other credits or personal property in the possession or under the control of a bank, credit union or other depository institution, the notice must be delivered or mailed to any branch or office of the bank, credit union or other depository institution at which the deposit is carried or at which the credits or personal property is held.

7. If any person notified by the notice of the delinquency 23 24 makes any transfer or other disposition of the property or debts 25 required to be withheld or transmitted, to the extent of the value of 26 the property or the amount of the debts thus transferred or paid, that 27 person is liable to the State for any indebtedness due pursuant to this chapter, chapter 360B, 362, 363A, 363B, 363C, 369, 370, 372, 28 372A, 372B, 374, 377, 377A, 377C, 377D or 444A of NRS, NRS 29 482.313, or chapter 585 or 680B of NRS or sections 2 to 117, 30 31 *inclusive, of this act* from the person with respect to whose 32 obligation the notice was given if solely by reason of the transfer or 33 other disposition the State is unable to recover the indebtedness of 34 the person with respect to whose obligation the notice was given.

35 **Sec. 144.** Chapter 360B of NRS is hereby amended by adding 36 thereto a new section to read as follows:

37 *"Specified digital products" has the meaning ascribed to it in* 38 *section 21 of this act.*

39 Sec. 145. NRS 360B.030 is hereby amended to read as 40 follows:

41 360B.030 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise 42 requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 360B.040 to 43 360B.100, inclusive, *and section 144 of this act* have the meanings

44 ascribed to them in those sections.





1 Sec. 146. NRS 360B.063 is hereby amended to read as 2 follows: 3 360B.063 "Purchaser" means a person to whom a sale of tangible personal property or specified digital products is made. 4 Sec. 147. NRS 360B.080 is hereby amended to read as 5 6 follows: 7 "Seller" means any person making sales, leases or 360B.080 8 rentals of tangible personal property [] or specified digital 9 products. Sec. 148. NRS 360B.290 is hereby amended to read as 10 11 follows: 12 360B.290 Any invoice, billing or other document given to a 13 purchaser that indicates the sales price for which tangible personal 14 property *or specified digital products* is sold: 15 May state separately any amount received by the seller for 16 any transportation, shipping or postage charges for the delivery of 17 the property to a location designated by the purchaser; and Must state separately any amount received by the seller for: 18 2. 19 (a) Any installation charges for the property; 20 (b) Any credit for any trade-in which is specifically exempted 21 from the sales price of the property pursuant to chapter 372 or 374 22 of NRS: 23 (c) Any interest, financing and carrying charges from credit 24 extended on the sale: and 25 (d) Any taxes legally imposed directly on the consumer. 26 Sec. 149. NRS 360B.320 is hereby amended to read as 27 follows: 28 360B.320 1. The Department shall provide public 29 notification to consumers of tangible personal property \square or specified digital products, including purchasers who are exempt 30 from any sales and use taxes, of the practices of this State relating to 31 32 the collection, use and retention of any personally identifiable 33 information. 34 2. The Department shall not retain any personally identifiable 35 information if the information is no longer required to ensure the 36 validity of exemptions from sales and use taxes. 37 3. When any personally identifiable information that identifies 38 a natural person is retained by or on behalf of the State, that person 39 is entitled to reasonable access to that information to correct any 40 portion thereof which has been inaccurately recorded. 41 4. If any person or other entity, except a state which is a 42 member of the Agreement or any person or other entity who is 43 entitled to such information pursuant to any state law or the 44 Agreement, requests any personally identifiable information 45 maintained by the Department, the Department shall make a





reasonable and timely effort to notify any person who is identified
 by the requested information.

5. The Attorney General shall enforce the provisions of this section.

5 6. As used in this section, "personally identifiable information" 6 means information that identifies:

7 (a) A participant in the system created pursuant to the 8 Agreement; or

9 (b) A consumer of tangible personal property *or specified* 10 *digital products* who deals with a registered seller that elects to use 11 a certified service provider as its agent to perform all the functions 12 of the seller relating to sales and use taxes, other than the obligation 13 of the seller to remit the taxes on its own purchases.

14 **Sec. 150.** The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do 15 not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a 16 requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

17 **Sec. 151.** NRS 360B.483 is hereby repealed.

18 Sec. 152. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage 19 and approval.

20 2. Sections 1 to 151, inclusive of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting
 regulations and taking such other actions as are necessary to carry
 out the provisions of this act; and

24 (b) On January 1, 2022, for all other purposes.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

360B.483 "Specified digital products" construed.

1. "Specified digital products" means electronically transferred digital audio works, digital audiovisual works and digital books.

2. As used in this section:

(a) "Digital audio works" means works that result from the fixation of a series of musical, spoken or other sounds, including ringtones.

(b) "Digital audiovisual works" means a series of related images which, when shown in succession, impart an impression of motion, together with accompanying sounds, if any.

(c) "Digital books" means works that are generally recognized in the ordinary and usual sense as books.

(d) "Electronically transferred" means obtained by a purchaser by means other than tangible storage media.





(e) "Ringtones" means digitized sound files that are downloaded onto a device and may be used to alert the customer with respect to a communication.



