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1 AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**TAXATION**

**OTHER TAXATION**

This bill adopts the substantive provisions of the Main Street Equity Act for purposes of administering and collecting state, county, and stadium district sales and use taxes. The act is intended to modernize sales and use tax administration for the states that adopt the act and to encourage out-of-state retailers to collect the state, county, and stadium district sales and use taxes voluntarily. Under current federal law, generally, an out-of-state retailer who sells tangible personal property or services to customers in this state is not required to collect the sales tax or use tax imposed on such sales, if the retailer has no physical presence in this state. See *Quill v. North Dakota*, 504 U.S. 298; 112 S. Ct. 1904 (1992).

This bill also imposes sales and use taxes on specified digital goods and additional digital goods. "Specified digital goods" are digital audio works, digital audiovisual works, and digital books. "Additional digital goods" means video greeting cards sent by electronic mail, finished artwork, periodicals, and video or electronic games. Under the bill, the sale of specified digital goods or additional digital goods that are transferred electronically to the purchaser are exempt from the sales and use taxes, if the sale of the goods in tangible form is exempt from the sales and use taxes.

This bill will be referred to the Joint Survey Committee on Tax Exemptions for a detailed analysis, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

1           **SECTION 1.** 20.566 (1) (ho) of the statutes is created to read:

2           20.566 **(1)** (ho) *Collections under multistate streamlined sales tax project.* From  
3 moneys collected under the multistate streamlined sales tax project as provided  
4 under s. 73.03 (28e), a sum sufficient to pay the dues necessary to participate in the  
5 governing board of the multistate streamlined sales tax project.

6           **SECTION 2.** 46.513 of the statutes is repealed.

7           **SECTION 3.** 66.0615 (1m) (f) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

8           66.0615 **(1m)** (f) 2. Sections 77.51 (12m), (14) (e), (f) and (j) and, (14g), (15a),  
9 and (15b), 77.52 (3), (4), ~~(6) and (13)~~, (14), (18), and (19), 77.522, 77.58 (1) to (5), (6m),  
10 and (7), 77.585, 77.59, 77.60, 77.61 (2), (3m), (5), (8), (9), and (12) to ~~(14)~~ (15), and  
11 77.62, as they apply to the taxes under subch. III of ch. 77, apply to the tax described  
12 under subd. 1.

13           **SECTION 4.** 70.111 (23) of the statutes is amended to read:

14           70.111 **(23)** VENDING MACHINES. All machines that automatically dispense soda  
15 water beverages, as defined in s. 97.29 (1) (i), and items included as a food or beverage  
16 under s. 77.54 ~~(20) (a) and (b)~~ food and food ingredient, as defined in s. 77.51 (3t),  
17 upon the deposit in the machines of specified coins or currency, or insertion of a credit  
18 card, in payment for the ~~soda water beverages, food or beverages~~ food and food  
19 ingredient, as defined in s. 77.51 (3t).

20           **SECTION 5.** 71.07 (5e) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           71.07 (5e) (b) *Filing claims.* Subject to the limitations provided in this  
2 subsection and subject to 2005 Wisconsin Act 479, section 17, beginning in the first  
3 taxable year following the taxable year in which the claimant claims an exemption  
4 a deduction under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9), a claimant may claim as a credit against  
5 the taxes imposed under ss. 71.02 and 71.08, up to the amount of those taxes, in each  
6 taxable year for 2 years, the amount of sales and use tax certified by the department  
7 of commerce that resulted from the claimant ~~claimed as an exemption~~ claiming a  
8 deduction under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9).

9           **SECTION 6.** 71.07 (5e) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

10           71.07 (5e) (c) 1. No credit may be allowed under this subsection unless the  
11 claimant satisfies the requirements under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9).

12           **SECTION 7.** 71.07 (5e) (c) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

13           71.07 (5e) (c) 3. The total amount of the credits and exemptions the sales and  
14 use tax resulting from the deductions claimed under s. 77.585 (9) that may be claimed  
15 by all claimants under this subsection and ss. 71.28 (5e), 71.47 (5e), and ~~77.54 (48)~~  
16 77.585 (9) is \$7,500,000, as determined by the department of commerce.

17           **SECTION 8.** 71.28 (5e) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

18           71.28 (5e) (b) *Filing claims.* Subject to the limitations provided in this  
19 subsection and subject to 2005 Wisconsin Act 479, section 17, beginning in the first  
20 taxable year following the taxable year in which the claimant claims an exemption  
21 a deduction under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9), a claimant may claim as a credit against  
22 the taxes imposed under s. 71.23, up to the amount of those taxes, in each taxable  
23 year for 2 years, the amount of sales and use tax certified by the department of  
24 commerce that resulted from the claimant ~~claimed as an exemption~~ claiming a  
25 deduction under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9).

1           **SECTION 9.** 71.28 (5e) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

2           71.28 (5e) (c) 1. No credit may be allowed under this subsection unless the  
3 claimant satisfies the requirements under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9).

4           **SECTION 10.** 71.28 (5e) (c) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

5           71.28 (5e) (c) 3. The total amount of the credits and exemptions the sales and  
6 use tax resulting from the deductions claimed under s. 77.585 (9) that may be claimed  
7 by all claimants under this subsection and ss. 71.07 (5e), 71.47 (5e), and ~~77.54 (48)~~  
8 77.585 (9) is \$7,500,000, as determined by the department of commerce.

9           **SECTION 11.** 71.47 (5e) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

10          71.47 (5e) (b) *Filing claims.* Subject to the limitations provided in this  
11 subsection and subject to 2005 Wisconsin Act 479, section 17, beginning in the first  
12 taxable year following the taxable year in which the claimant claims ~~an exemption~~  
13 a deduction under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9), a claimant may claim as a credit against  
14 the taxes imposed under s. 71.43, up to the amount of those taxes, in each taxable  
15 year for 2 years, the amount of sales and use tax certified by the department of  
16 commerce that resulted from the claimant claimed as an exemption claiming a  
17 deduction under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9).

18          **SECTION 12.** 71.47 (5e) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

19          71.47 (5e) (c) 1. No credit may be allowed under this subsection unless the  
20 claimant satisfies the requirements under s. ~~77.54 (48)~~ 77.585 (9).

21          **SECTION 13.** 71.47 (5e) (c) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

22          71.47 (5e) (c) 3. The total amount of the credits and exemptions the sales and  
23 use tax resulting from the deductions claimed under s. 77.585 (9) that may be claimed  
24 by all claimants under this subsection and ss. 71.07 (5e), 71.28 (5e), and ~~77.54 (48)~~  
25 77.585 (9) is \$7,500,000, as determined by the department of commerce.

1           **SECTION 14.** 73.03 (28e) of the statutes is created to read:

2           73.03 **(28e)** To participate as a member state of the streamlined sales tax  
3 governing board which administers the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a), and  
4 includes having the governing board enter into contracts that are necessary to  
5 implement the agreement on behalf of the member states, and to allocate a portion  
6 of the amount collected under ch. 77 through the agreement to the appropriation  
7 under s. 20.566 (1) (ho) to pay the dues necessary to participate in the governing  
8 board. The department shall allocate the remainder of such collections to the general  
9 fund.

10           **SECTION 15.** 73.03 (50) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

11           73.03 **(50)** (d) In the case of a sole proprietor, signs the form or, in the case of  
12 other persons, has an individual who is authorized to act on behalf of the person sign  
13 the form, or, in the case of a single-owner entity that is disregarded as a separate  
14 entity under section 7701 of the Internal Revenue Code, the person is the owner. Any  
15 person who may register under this subsection may designate an agent, as defined  
16 in s. 77.524 (1) (ag), to register with the department under this subsection in the  
17 manner prescribed by the department. In this paragraph, "sign" has the meaning  
18 given in s. 77.51 (17r).

19           **SECTION 16.** 73.03 (50b) of the statutes is created to read:

20           73.03 **(50b)** To waive the fee established under sub. (50) for applying for and  
21 renewing the business tax registration certificate, if the person who is applying for  
22 or renewing the certificate is not required for purposes of ch. 77 to hold such a  
23 certificate.

24           **SECTION 17.** 73.03 (61) of the statutes is created to read:

1           73.03 (61) To do all of the following related to the Uniform Sales and Use Tax  
2 Administration Act:

3           (a) Certify compliance with the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a).

4           (b) Pursuant to the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a), certify certified  
5 service providers, as defined in s. 77.51 (1g), and certified automated systems, as  
6 defined in s. 77.524 (1) (am).

7           (c) Consistent with the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a), establish  
8 performance standards and eligibility criteria for a seller that sells tangible personal  
9 property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable  
10 services in at least 5 states that are signatories to the agreement, as defined in s.  
11 77.65 (2) (a); that has total annual sales revenue of at least \$500,000,000; that has  
12 a proprietary system that calculates the amount of tax owed to each taxing  
13 jurisdiction in which the seller sells tangible personal property, or items, property,  
14 or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) or taxable services; and that has entered into  
15 a performance agreement with the states that are signatories to the agreement, as  
16 defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a). For purposes of this paragraph, "seller" includes an  
17 affiliated group of sellers using the same proprietary system to calculate the amount  
18 of tax owed in each taxing jurisdiction in which the sellers sell tangible personal  
19 property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable  
20 services.

21           (d) Issue a tax identification number to a person who claims an exemption  
22 under subch. III or V of ch. 77 and who is not required to register with the department  
23 for the purposes of subch. III or V of ch. 77 and establish procedures for the  
24 registration of such a person.

1 (e) Maintain a database that is accessible to sellers and certified service  
2 providers, as defined in s. 77.51 (1g), that indicates whether items defined in  
3 accordance with the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a), are taxable or  
4 nontaxable.

5 (f) Maintain a database that is accessible to sellers and certified service  
6 providers, as defined in s. 77.51 (1g), and available in a downloadable format  
7 approved by the governing board of the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a), that  
8 indicates tax rates, taxing jurisdiction boundaries, and zip code or address  
9 assignments related to the administration of taxes imposed under subchs. III and V  
10 of ch. 77. The database shall be provided at no cost and be available to sellers and  
11 certified service providers, as defined in s. 77.51 (1g), no later than the first day of  
12 the month prior to the first day of the calendar quarter.

13 (g) Set forth the information that the seller shall provide to the department for  
14 tax exemptions claimed by purchasers and establish the manner in which a seller  
15 shall provide such information to the department.

16 (h) Provide monetary allowances, in addition to the retailer's discount provided  
17 under s. 77.61 (4) (c), to certified service providers, as defined in s. 77.51 (1g), and  
18 sellers that use certified automated systems, as defined in s. 77.524 (1) (am), or  
19 proprietary systems, pursuant to the agreement, as defined in s. 77.65 (2) (a).

20 **SECTION 18.** 76.07 (4g) (b) 8. of the statutes is amended to read:

21 76.07 (4g) (b) 8. Determine transport-related revenue by adding public service  
22 revenue allocated to this state on the basis of routes for which the company is  
23 authorized to receive subsidy payments, mutual aid allocated to this state on the  
24 basis of the ratio of transport revenues allocated to this state to transport revenues  
25 everywhere in the previous year, in-flight sales allocated to this state as they are

1 allocated under s. ~~77.51 (14r)~~ 77.522 and all other transport-related revenues from  
2 sales made in this state.

3 **SECTION 19.** 77.51 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 77.51 (1fd) and amended  
4 to read:

5 77.51 (1fd) "Business" includes any activity engaged in by any person or caused  
6 to be engaged in by any person with the object of gain, benefit or advantage, either  
7 direct or indirect, and includes also the furnishing and distributing of tangible  
8 personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or  
9 taxable services for a consideration by social clubs and fraternal organizations to  
10 their members or others.

11 **SECTION 20.** 77.51 (1a) of the statutes is created to read:

12 77.51 (1a) "Additional digital goods" means video greeting cards sent by  
13 electronic mail, finished artwork, periodicals, and video or electronic games. For  
14 purposes of this subchapter, the sale of or the storage, use, or other consumption of  
15 a digital code is treated the same as the sale of or the storage, use, or other  
16 consumption of any additional digital goods for which the digital code relates.

17 **SECTION 21.** 77.51 (1b) of the statutes is created to read:

18 77.51 (1b) "Alcoholic beverage" means a beverage that is suitable for human  
19 consumption and that contains 0.5 percent or more of alcohol by volume.

20 **SECTION 22.** 77.51 (1ba) of the statutes is created to read:

21 77.51 (1ba) "Ancillary services" means services that are associated with or  
22 incidental to providing telecommunications services, including detailed  
23 telecommunications billing, directory assistance, vertical service, and voice mail  
24 services.

25 **SECTION 23.** 77.51 (1f) of the statutes is created to read:



1           77.51 (1f) "Bundled transaction" means the retail sale of 2 or more products,  
2 not including real property and services to real property, if the products are distinct  
3 and identifiable products and sold for one nonitemized price. "Bundled transaction"  
4 does not include any of the following:

5           (a) The sale of any products for which the sales price varies or is negotiable  
6 based on the purchaser's selection of the products included in the transaction.

7           (b) 1. The retail sale of tangible personal property and a service, if the tangible  
8 personal property is essential to the use of the service, and provided exclusively in  
9 connection with the service, and if the true object of the transaction is the service.

10           2. The retail sale of a service and items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1)  
11 (b), (c), or (d), if such items, property, or goods are essential to the use of the service,  
12 and provided exclusively in connection with the service, and if the true object of the  
13 transaction is the service.

14           (c) The retail sale of services, if one of the services is essential to the use or  
15 receipt of another service, and provided exclusively in connection with the other  
16 service, and if the true object of the transaction is the other service.

17           (d) A transaction that includes taxable and nontaxable products, if the seller's  
18 purchase price or the sales price of the taxable products is no greater than 10 percent  
19 of the seller's total purchase price or sales price of all the bundled products, as  
20 determined by the seller using either the seller's purchase price or sales price, but  
21 not a combination of both, or, in the case of a service contract, the full term of the  
22 service contract.

23           (e) The retail sale of taxable tangible personal property, or items, property, or  
24 goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) and tangible personal property, or items,  
25 property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) that is exempt from the taxes

1 imposed under this subchapter, if the transaction includes food and food ingredients,  
2 drugs, durable medical equipment, mobility-enhancing equipment, prosthetic  
3 devices, or medical supplies and if the seller's purchase price or the sales price of the  
4 taxable tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b),  
5 (c), or (d) is no greater than 50 percent of the seller's total purchase price or sales price  
6 of all the tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1)  
7 (b), (c), or (d) included in what would otherwise be a bundled transaction, as  
8 determined by the seller using either the seller's purchase price or the sales price,  
9 but not a combination of both.

10 **SECTION 24.** 77.51 (1fm) of the statutes is created to read:

11 77.51 (1fm) "Candy" means a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or  
12 artificial sweetener combined with chocolate, fruit, nuts, or other ingredients or  
13 flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. "Candy" does not include a  
14 preparation that contains flour or that requires refrigeration.

15 **SECTION 25.** 77.51 (1n) of the statutes is created to read:

16 77.51 (1n) "Computer" means an electronic device that accepts information in  
17 digital or similar form and that manipulates such information to achieve a result  
18 based on a sequence of instructions.

19 **SECTION 26.** 77.51 (1p) of the statutes is created to read:

20 77.51 (1p) "Computer software" means a set of coded instructions designed to  
21 cause a computer or automatic data processing equipment to perform a task.

22 **SECTION 27.** 77.51 (1pd) of the statutes is created to read:

23 77.51 (1pd) "Computer software maintenance contract" means a contract that  
24 obligates a vendor of computer software to provide a customer with future updates  
25 or upgrades to computer software, computer software support services, or both.

1           **SECTION 28.** 77.51 (1r) of the statutes is created to read:

2           77.51 (1r) "Conference bridging service" means an ancillary service that links  
3           2 or more participants of an audio or video conference call and may include providing  
4           a telephone number, but does not include the telecommunications services used to  
5           reach the conference bridge.

6           **SECTION 29.** 77.51 (2k) of the statutes is created to read:

7           77.51 (2k) "Delivered electronically" means delivered to a purchaser by means  
8           other than by tangible storage media.

9           **SECTION 30.** 77.51 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

10          77.51 (2m) "Delivery charges" means charges by a seller to prepare and deliver  
11          tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
12          (d), or services to a location designated by the purchaser of the tangible personal  
13          property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or services,  
14          including charges for transportation, shipping, postage, handling, crating, and  
15          packing.

16          **SECTION 31.** 77.51 (3c) of the statutes is created to read:

17          77.51 (3c) "Detailed telecommunications billing service" means an ancillary  
18          service that separately indicates information pertaining to individual calls on a  
19          customer's billing statement.

20          **SECTION 32.** 77.51 (3n) of the statutes is created to read:

21          77.51 (3n) "Dietary supplement" means a product, other than tobacco, that is  
22          intended to supplement a person's diet, if all of the following apply:

23                 (a) The product contains any of the following ingredients or any combination  
24                 of any of the following ingredients:

25                         1. A vitamin.

- 1           2. A mineral.
- 2           3. An herb or other botanical.
- 3           4. An amino acid.
- 4           5. A dietary substance that is intended for human consumption to supplement
- 5 the diet by increasing total dietary intake.
- 6           6. A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, or extract.

7           (b) The product is intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, soft-gel,  
8 gel-cap, or liquid form, or, if not intended for ingestion in such forms, is not  
9 represented as conventional food and is not represented for use as the sole item of  
10 a meal or diet.

11           (c) The product is required to be labeled as a dietary supplement as required  
12 under 21 CFR 101.36.

13           **SECTION 33.** 77.51 (3p) of the statutes is created to read:

14           77.51 (3p) "Digital audiovisual works" means a series of related images that,  
15 when shown in succession, impart an impression of motion, along with  
16 accompanying sounds, if any, and that are transferred electronically. "Digital  
17 audiovisual works" includes motion pictures, musical videos, news and  
18 entertainment programs, and live events, but does not include video greeting cards  
19 or video or electronic games.

20           **SECTION 34.** 77.51 (3pa) of the statutes is created to read:

21           77.51 (3pa) "Digital audio works" means works that result from the fixation  
22 of a series of musical, spoken, or other sounds that are transferred electronically,  
23 including prerecorded or live music, prerecorded or live readings of books or other  
24 written materials, prerecorded or live speeches, ringtones, or other sound recordings  
25 but not including audio greeting cards sent by electronic mail.

1           **SECTION 35.** 77.51 (3pb) of the statutes is created to read:

2           77.51 (3pb) “Digital books” means works that are generally recognized in the  
3 ordinary and usual sense as books and are transferred electronically. “Digital books”  
4 includes any literary work, other than a digital audio work or digital audiovisual  
5 work, that is expressed in words, numbers, or other verbal or numerical symbols or  
6 indicia, if the literary work is generally recognized in the ordinary and usual sense  
7 as a book, work of fiction or nonfiction, or a short story, but does not include  
8 newspapers or other news or information products, periodicals, chat room  
9 discussions, or blogs.

10          **SECTION 36.** 77.51 (3pc) of the statutes is created to read:

11          77.51 (3pc) “Digital code” means a code that provides the person who holds the  
12 code a right to obtain an additional digital good, a digital audiovisual work, digital  
13 audio work, or digital book and that may be obtained by any means, including  
14 tangible forms and electronic mail, regardless of whether the code is designated as  
15 song code, video code, or book code. “Digital code” includes codes used to access or  
16 obtain any specified digital goods, or any additional digital goods that have been  
17 previously purchased, and promotion cards or codes that are purchased by a retailer  
18 or other business entity for use by the retailer’s or entity’s customers. “Digital code”  
19 does not include the following:

20           (a) A code that represents any redeemable card, gift card, or gift certificate that  
21 entitles the holder of such card or certificate to select any specified digital goods or  
22 additional digital goods at the cash value indicated by the card or certificate.

23           (b) Digital cash that represents a monetary value that a customer may use to  
24 pay for a future purchase.

25          **SECTION 37.** 77.51 (3pd) of the statutes is created to read:

1           77.51 (3pd) "Direct mail" means printed material that is delivered or  
2 distributed by the U.S. postal service or other delivery service to a mass audience or  
3 to addressees on a mailing list provided by or at the direction of the purchaser of the  
4 printed material, if the cost of the printed material or any tangible personal property  
5 or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) included with the printed  
6 material is not billed directly to the recipients of the printed material. "Direct mail"  
7 includes any tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52  
8 (1) (b), (c), or (d) provided directly or indirectly by the purchaser of the printed  
9 material to the seller of the printed material for inclusion in any package containing  
10 the printed material, including billing invoices, return envelopes, and additional  
11 marketing materials. "Direct mail" does not include multiple items of printed  
12 material delivered to a single address.

13           **SECTION 38.** 77.51 (3pe) of the statutes is created to read:

14           77.51 (3pe) "Directory assistance" means an ancillary service that provides  
15 telephone numbers or addresses.

16           **SECTION 39.** 77.51 (3pf) of the statutes is created to read:

17           77.51 (3pf) "Distinct and identifiable product" does not include any of the  
18 following:

19           (a) Packaging, including containers, boxes, sacks, bags, bottles, and envelopes;  
20 and other materials, including wrapping, labels, tags, and instruction guides; that  
21 accompany, and are incidental or immaterial to, the retail sale of any product.

22           (b) A product that is provided free of charge to the consumer in conjunction with  
23 the required purchase of another product, if the sales price of the other product does  
24 not vary depending on whether the product provided free of charge is included in the  
25 transaction.

1 (c) Any items specified under sub. (12m) (a) or (15b) (a).

2 **SECTION 40.** 77.51 (3pj) of the statutes is created to read:

3 77.51 (3pj) "Drug" means a compound, substance, or preparation, or any  
4 component of them, other than food and food ingredients, dietary supplements, or  
5 alcoholic beverages, to which any of the following applies:

6 (a) It is listed in the United States Pharmacopoeia, Homeopathic  
7 Pharmacopoeia of the United States, or National Formulary, or any supplement to  
8 any of them.

9 (b) It is intended for use in diagnosing, curing, mitigating, treating, or  
10 preventing a disease.

11 (c) It is intended to affect a function or structure of the body.

12 **SECTION 41.** 77.51 (3pm) of the statutes is created to read:

13 77.51 (3pm) "Durable medical equipment" means equipment, including the  
14 repair parts and replacement parts for the equipment that is primarily and  
15 customarily used for a medical purpose related to a person; that can withstand  
16 repeated use; that is not generally useful to a person who is not ill or injured; and that  
17 is not placed in or worn on the body. "Durable medical equipment" does not include  
18 mobility-enhancing equipment.

19 **SECTION 42.** 77.51 (3pn) of the statutes is created to read:

20 77.51 (3pn) "Eight hundred service" means a telecommunications service that  
21 allows a caller to dial a toll-free number without incurring a charge for the call and  
22 is marketed under "800," "855," "866," "877," or "888" toll-free calling, or any other  
23 number designated as toll-free by the federal communications commission.

24 **SECTION 43.** 77.51 (3po) of the statutes is created to read:

1           77.51 (3po) "Electronic" means relating to technology having electrical, digital,  
2 magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.

3           **SECTION 44.** 77.51 (3rm) of the statutes is created to read:

4           77.51 (3rm) "Finished artwork" means the final art used for actual  
5 reproduction by photomechanical or other processes or for display purposes.  
6 "Finished artwork" also includes all of the following items regardless of whether such  
7 items are reproduced:

8           (a) Drawings.

9           (b) Paintings.

10          (c) Designs.

11          (d) Photographs.

12          (e) Lettering.

13          (f) Paste-ups.

14          (g) Mechanicals.

15          (h) Assemblies.

16          (i) Charts.

17          (j) Graphs.

18          (k) Illustrative materials.

19           **SECTION 45.** 77.51 (3rn) of the statutes is created to read:

20           77.51 (3rn) "Fixed wireless service" means a telecommunications service that  
21 provides radio communication between fixed points.

22           **SECTION 46.** 77.51 (3t) of the statutes is created to read:

23           77.51 (3t) "Food and food ingredient" means a substance in liquid,  
24 concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that is sold for ingestion, or



1 for chewing, by humans and that is ingested or chewed for its taste or nutritional  
2 value. "Food and food ingredient" does not include alcoholic beverages or tobacco.

3 **SECTION 47.** 77.51 (4) of the statutes is repealed.

4 **SECTION 48.** 77.51 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 77.51 (5) For purposes of subs. (13) (e) and (f) and ~~(14) (L)~~ (15a) and s. 77.52  
6 (2m), "incidental" means depending upon or appertaining to something else as  
7 primary; something necessary, appertaining to, or depending upon another which is  
8 termed the principal; or something incidental to the main purpose of the service.  
9 Tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
10 (d) transferred by a service provider is incidental to the service if the purchaser's  
11 main purpose or objective is to obtain the service rather than the property, items, or  
12 goods, even though the property, items, or goods may be necessary or essential to  
13 providing the service.

14 **SECTION 49.** 77.51 (5d) of the statutes is created to read:

15 77.51 (5d) "International telecommunications services" means  
16 telecommunications services that originate or terminate in the United States,  
17 including the District of Columbia and any U.S. territory or possession and originate  
18 or terminate outside of the United States, including the District of Columbia and any  
19 U.S. territory or possession.

20 **SECTION 50.** 77.51 (5n) of the statutes is created to read:

21 77.51 (5n) "Interstate telecommunications services" means  
22 telecommunications services that originate in one state or U.S. territory or  
23 possession and terminate in a different state or U.S. territory or possession.

24 **SECTION 51.** 77.51 (5r) of the statutes is created to read:

1           77.51 (5r)        “Intrastate telecommunications services” means  
2 telecommunications services that originate in one state or U.S. territory or  
3 possession and terminate in the same state or U.S. territory or possession.

4           **SECTION 52.** 77.51 (6m) of the statutes is renumbered 77.51 (5m) and amended  
5 to read:

6           77.51 (5m) For purposes of s. 77.54 (48) 77.585 (9), “Internet equipment used  
7 in the broadband market” means equipment that is capable of transmitting data  
8 packets or Internet signals at speeds of at least 200 kilobits per second in either  
9 direction.

10          **SECTION 53.** 77.51 (7) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11          77.51 (7) (a) “Lease or rental” means any transfer of possession or control of  
12 tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
13 (d) for a fixed or indeterminate term and for consideration and includes:

- 14           1. A transfer that includes future options to purchase or extend.
- 15           2. Agreements related to the transfer of possession or control of motor vehicles  
16 or trailers, if the amount of any consideration may be increased or decreased by  
17 reference to the amount realized on the sale or other disposition of such motor  
18 vehicles or trailers, consistent with section 7701 (h) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

19          (b) “Lease or rental” does not include any of the following:

- 20           1. A transfer of possession or control of tangible personal property or items,  
21 property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) under a security agreement or  
22 deferred payment plan, if such agreement or plan requires transferring title to the  
23 tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
24 (d) after making all required payments.

1           2. A transfer of possession or control of tangible personal property or items,  
2 property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) under any agreement that requires  
3 transferring title to the tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under  
4 s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) after making all required payments and after paying an  
5 option price that does not exceed the greater of \$100 or 1 percent of the total amount  
6 of the required payments.

7           3. Providing tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s.  
8 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) along with an operator, if the operator is necessary for the  
9 tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
10 (d) to perform in the manner for which it is designed and if the operator does more  
11 than maintain, inspect, or set up the tangible personal property or items, property,  
12 or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d).

13           (c) 1. Transfers described under par. (a) are considered a lease or rental,  
14 regardless of whether such transfer is considered a lease or rental under generally  
15 accepted accounting principles, or any provision of federal or local law, or any other  
16 provision of state law.

17           2. Transfers described under par. (b) are not considered a lease or rental,  
18 regardless of whether such transfer is considered a lease or rental under generally  
19 accepted accounting principles, or any provision of federal or local law, or any other  
20 provision of state law.

21           **SECTION 54.** 77.51 (7g) of the statutes is created to read:

22           77.51 (7g) "Load-and-leave" means delivery to a purchaser by using a tangible  
23 storage media that is not physically transferred to the purchaser.

24           **SECTION 55.** 77.51 (7k) of the statutes is created to read:

1           77.51 (7k) "Mobile wireless service" means a telecommunications service for  
2           which the origination or termination points of the service's transmission,  
3           conveyance, or routing are not fixed, regardless of the technology used to transmit,  
4           convey, or route the service. "Mobile wireless service" includes a telecommunications  
5           service provided by a commercial mobile radio service provider.

6           **SECTION 56.** 77.51 (7m) of the statutes is created to read:

7           77.51 (7m) "Mobility-enhancing equipment" means equipment, including the  
8           repair parts and replacement parts for the equipment, that is primarily and  
9           customarily used to provide or increase the ability of a person to move from one place  
10          to another; that may be used in a home or motor vehicle; and that is generally not  
11          used by a person who has normal mobility. "Mobility-enhancing equipment" does  
12          not include a motor vehicle or any equipment on a motor vehicle that is generally  
13          provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer. "Mobility-enhancing equipment" does  
14          not include durable medical equipment.

15          **SECTION 57.** 77.51 (8m) of the statutes is created to read:

16          77.51 (8m) "Nine hundred service" means an inbound toll telecommunications  
17          service purchased by a subscriber that allows the subscriber's customers to call the  
18          subscriber's prerecorded announcement or live service. "Nine hundred service" does  
19          not include any charge for collection services provided by the seller of the  
20          telecommunications services to the subscriber or for any product or service the  
21          subscriber sells to the subscriber's customers. A "nine hundred service" is  
22          designated with the "900" number or any other number designated by the federal  
23          communications commission.

24          **SECTION 58.** 77.51 (9) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           77.51 (9) (a) Isolated and sporadic sales of tangible personal property, or items,  
2           property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable services where the  
3           infrequency, in relation to the other circumstances, including the sales price and the  
4           gross profit, support the inference that the seller is not pursuing a vocation,  
5           occupation or business or a partial vocation or occupation or part-time business as  
6           a vendor of personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c),  
7           or (d), or taxable services. No sale of any tangible personal property, or items,  
8           property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable service may be deemed  
9           an occasional sale if at the time of such sale the seller holds or is required to hold a  
10          seller's permit, except that this provision does not apply to an organization required  
11          to hold a seller's permit solely for the purpose of conducting bingo games and except  
12          as provided in par. (am).

13           **SECTION 59.** 77.51 (9) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

14           77.51 (9) (am) The sale of personal property or items, property, or goods under  
15           s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), other than inventory held for sale, previously used by a  
16           seller to conduct its trade or business at a location after that person has ceased  
17           actively operating in the regular course of business as a seller of tangible personal  
18           property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable  
19           services at that location, even though the seller holds a seller's permit for one or more  
20           other locations.

21           **SECTION 60.** 77.51 (9p) of the statutes is created to read:

22           77.51 (9p) "One nonitemized price" does not include a price that is separately  
23           identified by product on a binding sales document, or other sales-related document,  
24           that is made available to the customer in paper or electronic form, including an

1 invoice, a bill of sale, a receipt, a contract, a service agreement, a lease agreement,  
2 a periodic notice of rates and services, a rate card, or a price list.

3 **SECTION 61.** 77.51 (9s) of the statutes is created to read:

4 77.51 (9s) "Paging service" means a telecommunications service that transmits  
5 coded radio signals to activate specific pagers and may include messages or sounds.

6 **SECTION 62.** 77.51 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 77.51 (10) "Person" includes any natural person, firm, partnership, limited  
8 liability company, joint venture, joint stock company, association, public or private  
9 corporation, the United States, the state, including any unit or division of the state,  
10 any county, city, village, town, municipal utility, municipal power district or other  
11 governmental unit, cooperative, unincorporated cooperative association, estate,  
12 trust, receiver, personal representative, any other fiduciary, any other legal entity,  
13 and any representative appointed by order of any court or otherwise acting on behalf  
14 of others. "Person" also includes the owner of a single-owner entity that is  
15 disregarded as a separate entity under ch. 71.

16 **SECTION 63.** 77.51 (10d) of the statutes is created to read:

17 77.51 (10d) "Prepaid calling service" means the right to exclusively access  
18 telecommunications services, if that right is paid for in advance of providing such  
19 services, requires using an access number or authorization code to originate calls,  
20 and is sold in predetermined units or dollars that decrease with use in a known  
21 amount.

22 **SECTION 64.** 77.51 (10f) of the statutes is created to read:

23 77.51 (10f) "Prepaid wireless calling service" means a telecommunications  
24 service that provides the right to utilize mobile wireless service as well as other  
25 nontelecommunications services, including the download of digital products

1 delivered electronically, content, and ancillary services, and that is paid for prior to  
2 use and sold in predetermined dollar units whereby the number of units declines  
3 with use in a known amount.

4 **SECTION 65.** 77.51 (10m) of the statutes is created to read:

5 77.51 (10m) (a) "Prepared food" means:

6 1. Food and food ingredients sold in a heated state.

7 2. Food and food ingredients heated by the retailer, except as provided in par.

8 (b).

9 3. Food and food ingredients sold with eating utensils that are provided by the  
10 retailer of the food and food ingredients, including plates, knives, forks, spoons,  
11 glasses, cups, napkins, or straws. In this subdivision, "plate" does not include a  
12 container or packaging used to transport food and food ingredients. For purposes of  
13 this subdivision, a retailer provides utensils if any of the following applies:

14 a. The utensils are available to purchasers and the retailer's sales of prepared  
15 food under subs. 1. and 2., soft drinks, and alcoholic beverages at an establishment  
16 are more than 75 percent of the retailer's total sales at that establishment, as  
17 determined under par. (c).

18 b. For retailers not described under subd. 3. a., the retailer's customary practice  
19 is to physically give or hand the utensils to the purchaser, except that plates, glasses,  
20 or cups that are necessary for the purchaser to receive the food and food ingredients  
21 need only be made available to the purchaser.

22 4. Except as provided in par. (b), 2 or more food ingredients mixed or combined  
23 by a retailer for sale as a single item.

24 (b) "Prepared food" does not include:

1           1. For purposes of par. (a) 2. and 4., 2 or more food ingredients mixed or  
2 combined by a retailer for sale as a single item, if the retailer's primary classification  
3 in the North American Industry Classification System, 2002 edition, published by  
4 the federal office of management and budget, is manufacturing under subsector 311,  
5 not including bakeries and tortilla manufacturing under industry group number  
6 3118.

7           2. For purposes of par. (a) 2. and 4., 2 or more food ingredients mixed or  
8 combined by a retailer for sale as a single item, sold unheated, and sold by volume  
9 or weight.

10           3. For purposes of par. (a) 2. and 4., bakery items made by a retailer, including  
11 breads, rolls, pastries, buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, donuts, danish, cakes,  
12 tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, and tortillas.

13           4. For purposes of par. (a) 4., food and food ingredients that are only sliced,  
14 repackaged, or pasteurized by a retailer.

15           5. For purposes of par. (a) 4., eggs, fish, meat, and poultry, and foods containing  
16 any of them in raw form, that require cooking by the consumer, as recommended by  
17 the food and drug administration in chapter 3, part 401.11 of its food code to prevent  
18 food-borne illnesses.

19           (c) 1. The percentage specified under par. (a) 3. a. shall be determined using the  
20 following:

21           a. A numerator that includes sales of prepared food, as defined in par. (a) 1.,  
22 2., and 4., and food for which plates, bowls, glasses, or cups are necessary to receive  
23 the food, but not including alcoholic beverages.



1           b. A denominator that includes all food and food ingredients, including  
2 prepared food, candy, dietary supplements, and soft drinks, but not including  
3 alcoholic beverages.

4           2. a. If the percentage determined under subd. 1. is 75 percent or less, utensils  
5 are considered to be provided by the retailer if the retailer's customary practice is to  
6 physically give or hand the utensils to the purchaser or, in the case of plates, bowls,  
7 glasses, or cups that are necessary to receive the food, to make such items available  
8 to the purchaser.

9           b. If the percentage determined under subd. 1. is greater than 75 percent,  
10 utensils are considered to be provided by the retailer if the utensils are made  
11 available to the purchaser.

12           3. For a retailer whose percentage determined under subd. 1. is greater than  
13 75 percent, an item sold by the retailer that contains 4 or more servings packaged  
14 as one item and sold for a single price does not become prepared food simply because  
15 the retailer makes utensils available to the purchaser of the item, but does become  
16 prepared food if the retailer physically gives or hands utensils to the purchaser of the  
17 item, except that plates, bowls, glasses, or cups necessary for the purchaser to receive  
18 the food need only be made available to the purchaser. For purposes of this  
19 subdivision 3., serving sizes are based on the information contained on the label of  
20 each item sold, except that, if the item has no label, the serving size is based on the  
21 retailer's reasonable determination.

22           4. a. Except as provided in subd. 4. b., if a retailer sells food items that have a  
23 utensil placed in a package by a person other than the retailer, the utensils are  
24 considered to be provided by the retailer.

1           b. Except as provided in subds. 2. and 3., if a retailer sells food items that have  
2 a utensil placed in a package by a person other than the retailer and the person's  
3 primary classification in the North American Industry Classification System, 2002  
4 edition, published by the federal office of management and budget, is manufacturing  
5 under subsector 311, the utensils are not considered to be provided by the retailer.

6           5. For purposes of par. (a) 3., a retailer shall determine the percentage for the  
7 retailer's tax year or business fiscal year, based on the retailer's data from the  
8 retailer's prior tax year or business fiscal year, as soon as practical after the retailer's  
9 accounting records are available, but not later than 90 days after the day on which  
10 the retailer's tax year or business fiscal year begins. For a retailer with more than  
11 one establishment in this state, a single determination under subd. 1. that combines  
12 the information for all of the retailer's establishments in this state shall be made  
13 annually, as provided in this subdivision, and apply to each of the retailer's  
14 establishments in this state. A retailer that has no prior tax year or business fiscal  
15 year shall make a good faith estimate of its percentage for purposes of par. (a) 3. for  
16 the retailer's first tax year or business fiscal year and shall adjust the estimate  
17 prospectively after the first 3 months of the retailer's operations if the actual  
18 percentage is materially different from the estimated percentage.

19           **SECTION 66.** 77.51 (10n) of the statutes is created to read:

20           77.51 (10n) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe that is issued by  
21 any oral, written, electronic, or other means of transmission and by a person who is  
22 authorized by the laws of this state to issue such an order, formula, or recipe.

23           **SECTION 67.** 77.51 (10r) of the statutes is created to read:

24           77.51 (10r) "Prewritten computer software" means computer software,  
25 including prewritten upgrades, that is not designed and developed by the author or

1 other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser. The combining of 2 or more  
2 “prewritten computer software” programs or prewritten portions of computer  
3 software does not cause the combination to be other than “prewritten computer  
4 software.” “Prewritten computer software” includes software designed and  
5 developed by the author or other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser  
6 if it is sold to a person other than the specific purchaser. For purposes of this  
7 subsection, if a person modifies or enhances computer software of which the person  
8 is not the author or creator, the person is the author or creator only of the person’s  
9 modifications or enhancements. “Prewritten computer software” or a prewritten  
10 portion of computer software that is modified or enhanced to any degree, with regard  
11 to a modification or enhancement that is designed and developed to the specifications  
12 of a specific purchaser, remains “prewritten computer software,” except that if there  
13 is a reasonable, separately stated charge or an invoice or other statement of the price  
14 given to the purchaser for the modification or enhancement, the modification or  
15 enhancement is not “prewritten computer software.”

16 **SECTION 68.** 77.51 (10s) of the statutes is created to read:

17 77.51 (10s) “Private communication service” means a telecommunications  
18 service that entitles the customer to exclusive or priority use of a communications  
19 channel or group of communications channels, regardless of the manner in which the  
20 communications channel or group of communications channels is connected, and  
21 includes switching capacity, extension lines, stations, and other associated services  
22 that are provided in connection with the use of such channel or channels.

23 **SECTION 69.** 77.51 (11d) of the statutes is created to read:

1           77.51 (11d) For purposes of subs. (1f), (3pf), and (9p) and ss. 77.52 (20) and (21),  
2           77.522, and 77.54 (51) and (52), “product” includes tangible personal property, and  
3           items, property, and goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), and (d), and services.

4           **SECTION 70.** 77.51 (11m) of the statutes is created to read:

5           77.51 (11m) “Prosthetic device” means a device, including the repair parts and  
6           replacement parts for the device, that is placed in or worn on the body to artificially  
7           replace a missing portion of the body; to prevent or correct a physical deformity or  
8           malfunction; or to support a weak or deformed portion of the body.

9           **SECTION 71.** 77.51 (12) (a) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

10          77.51 (12) (a) Any transfer of title, possession, ownership, enjoyment, or use  
11          by: cash or credit transaction, exchange, barter, lease or rental, conditional or  
12          otherwise, in any manner or by any means whatever of tangible personal property  
13          or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) for a consideration,  
14          including any transaction for which a person’s books and records show the  
15          transaction created, with regard to the transferee, an obligation to pay a certain  
16          amount of money or an increase in accounts payable or, with regard to the transferor,  
17          a right to receive a certain amount of money or an increase in accounts receivable.

18          **SECTION 72.** 77.51 (12) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

19          77.51 (12) (b) A transaction whereby the possession of property, or items,  
20          property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) is transferred but the seller retains  
21          the title as security for the payment of the price.

22          **SECTION 73.** 77.51 (12m) of the statutes is created to read:

23          77.51 (12m) (a) “Purchase price” means the total amount of consideration,  
24          including cash, credit, property, and services, for which tangible personal property,  
25          or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or services are sold,

1 licensed, leased, or rented, valued in money, whether paid in money or otherwise,  
2 without any deduction for the following:

3 1. The seller's cost of the property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52  
4 (1) (b), (c), or (d) sold.

5 2. The cost of materials used, labor or service cost, interest, losses, all costs of  
6 transportation to the seller, all taxes imposed on the seller, and any other expense  
7 of the seller.

8 3. Charges by the seller for any services necessary to complete a sale, not  
9 including delivery and installation charges.

10 4. a. Delivery charges, except as provided in par. (b) 4.

11 b. If a shipment includes property or items that are subject to tax under this  
12 subchapter and property or items that are not subject to tax under this subchapter,  
13 the amount of the delivery charge that the seller allocates to the property and items  
14 that are subject to tax under this subchapter is based either on the total purchase  
15 price of the property and items that are subject to tax under this subchapter as  
16 compared to the total purchase price of all the property and items or on the total  
17 weight of the property and items that are subject to tax under this subchapter as  
18 compared to the total weight of all the property and items, except that if the seller  
19 does not make the allocation under this subd. 4. b., the purchaser shall allocate the  
20 delivery charge amount, consistent with this subd. 4. b.

21 5. Installation charges.

22 (b) "Purchase price" does not include:

23 1. Discounts, including cash, terms, or coupons, that are not reimbursed by a  
24 3rd party, except as provided in par. (c); that are allowed by a seller; and that are  
25 taken by a purchaser on a sale.

1           2. Interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit that is extended on a  
2 sale of tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b),  
3 (c), or (d), or services, if the amount of the interest, financing, or carrying charges is  
4 separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document that the seller gives  
5 to the purchaser.

6           3. Any taxes legally imposed directly on the purchaser that are separately  
7 stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document that the seller gives to the  
8 purchaser.

9           4. Delivery charges for direct mail, if the delivery charges for direct mail are  
10 separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document that the seller gives  
11 to the purchaser.

12           5. In all transactions in which an article of tangible personal property, an item  
13 under s. 77.52 (1) (b), property under s. 77.52 (1) (c), or a good under s. 77.52 (1) (d)  
14 is traded toward the purchase of an article, item, property, or good of greater value,  
15 the amount of the purchase price that represents the amount allowed for the article,  
16 item, property, or good traded, except that this subdivision does not apply to any  
17 transaction to which subd. 7. or 8. applies.

18           6. If a person who purchases a motor vehicle presents a statement issued under  
19 s. 218.0171 (2) (cq) to the seller at the time of purchase, and the person presents the  
20 statement to the seller within 60 days from the date of receiving a refund under s.  
21 218.0171 (2) (b) 2. b., the trade-in amount specified in the statement issued under  
22 s. 218.0171 (2) (cq), but not to exceed the purchase price from the sale of the motor  
23 vehicle. This subdivision applies only to the first motor vehicle purchased by a  
24 person after receiving a refund under s. 218.0171 (2) (b) 2. b.

1           7. Thirty-five percent of the purchase price, excluding trade-ins, of a new  
2 manufactured home, as defined in s. 101.91 (11). This subdivision does not apply to  
3 a lease or rental.

4           8. At the retailer's option; except that after the retailer chooses an option the  
5 retailer may not use the other option for other sales without the department's written  
6 approval; either 35 percent of the purchase price of a modular home, as defined in  
7 s. 101.71 (6), or an amount equal to the purchase price of the home minus the cost  
8 of materials that become an ingredient or component part of the home.

9           (c) "Purchase price" includes consideration received by the seller from a 3rd  
10 party, if:

11           1. The seller actually receives consideration from a 3rd party, other than the  
12 purchaser, and the consideration is directly related to a price reduction or discount  
13 on a sale.

14           2. The seller is obliged to pass the price reduction or discount to the purchaser.

15           3. The amount of the consideration that is attributable to the sale is a fixed  
16 amount and the seller is able to determine that amount at the time of the sale to the  
17 purchaser.

18           4. One of the following also applies:

19           a. The purchaser presents a coupon, certificate, or other documentation to the  
20 seller to claim the price reduction or discount, if the coupon, certificate, or other  
21 documentation is authorized, distributed, or granted by the 3rd party with the  
22 understanding that the 3rd party will reimburse the seller for the amount of the price  
23 reduction or discount.

24           b. The purchaser identifies himself or herself to the seller as a member of a  
25 group or organization that may claim the price reduction or discount.

1 c. The seller provides an invoice to the purchaser, or the purchaser presents a  
2 coupon, certificate, or other documentation to the seller, that identifies the price  
3 reduction or discount as a 3rd-party price reduction or discount.

4 **SECTION 74.** 77.51 (12p) of the statutes is created to read:

5 77.51 (12p) "Purchaser" means a person to whom a sale of tangible personal  
6 property is made or to whom a service is furnished.

7 **SECTION 75.** 77.51 (13) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 77.51 (13) (a) Every seller who makes any sale, regardless of whether the sale  
9 is mercantile in nature, of tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods  
10 under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or a service specified under s. 77.52 (2) (a).

11 **SECTION 76.** 77.51 (13) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 77.51 (13) (b) Every person engaged in the business of making sales of tangible  
13 personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) for  
14 storage, use or consumption or in the business of making sales at auction of tangible  
15 personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) owned  
16 by the person or others for storage, use or other consumption.

17 **SECTION 77.** 77.51 (13) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 77.51 (13) (c) When the department determines that it is necessary for the  
19 efficient administration of this subchapter to regard any salespersons,  
20 representatives, peddlers or canvassers as the agents of the dealers, distributors,  
21 supervisors or employers under whom they operate or from whom they obtain the  
22 tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
23 (d) sold by them, irrespective of whether they are making the sales on their own  
24 behalf or on behalf of such dealers, distributors, supervisors or employers, the



1 department may so regard them and may regard the dealers, distributors,  
2 supervisors or employers as retailers for purposes of this subchapter.

3 **SECTION 78.** 77.51 (13) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 77.51 (13) (d) Every wholesaler to the extent that the wholesaler sells tangible  
5 personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a  
6 person other than a seller as defined in sub. (17) provided such wholesaler is not  
7 expressly exempt from the sales tax on such sale or from collecting the use tax on such  
8 sale.

9 **SECTION 79.** 77.51 (13) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 77.51 (13) (e) A person selling tangible personal property or items, property,  
11 or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a service provider who transfers the  
12 property, items, or goods in conjunction with the selling, performing or furnishing of  
13 any service and the property is, items, or goods are incidental to the service, unless  
14 the service provider is selling, performing or furnishing services under s. 77.52 (2)  
15 (a) 7., 10., 11. and 20. This subsection does not apply to sub. (2).

16 **SECTION 80.** 77.51 (13) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 77.51 (13) (f) A service provider who transfers tangible personal property or  
18 items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) in conjunction with but not  
19 incidental to the selling, performing or furnishing of any service and a service  
20 provider selling, performing or furnishing services under s. 77.52 (2) (a) 7., 10., 11.  
21 and 20. This subsection does not apply to sub. (2).

22 **SECTION 81.** 77.51 (13) (k) of the statutes is amended to read:

23 77.51 (13) (k) ~~As respects~~ With respect to a lease, any person deriving rentals  
24 from a lease of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52  
25 (1) (b), (c), or (d) situated in this state.

1           **SECTION 82.** 77.51 (13) (m) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           77.51 (13) (m) A person selling tangible personal property or items, property,  
3 or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a veterinarian to be used or furnished by  
4 the veterinarian in the performance of services in some manner related to domestic  
5 animals, including pets or poultry.

6           **SECTION 83.** 77.51 (13) (n) of the statutes is amended to read:

7           77.51 (13) (n) A person selling household furniture, furnishings, equipment,  
8 appliances or other items of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods  
9 under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a landlord for use by tenants in leased or rented  
10 living quarters.

11           **SECTION 84.** 77.51 (13) (o) of the statutes is amended to read:

12           77.51 (13) (o) A person selling medicine drugs for animals to a veterinarian.  
13 As used in this paragraph, "animal" includes livestock, pets and poultry.

14           **SECTION 85.** 77.51 (13g) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

15           77.51 (13g) (intro.) Except as provided in sub. (13h), "retailer engaged in  
16 business in this state", ~~unless otherwise limited by federal statute,~~ for purposes of  
17 the use tax, means any of the following:

18           **SECTION 86.** 77.51 (13g) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

19           77.51 (13g) (a) Any retailer owning any real property in this state or leasing  
20 or renting out any tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s.  
21 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), located in this state or maintaining, occupying or using,  
22 permanently or temporarily, directly or indirectly, or through a subsidiary, or agent,  
23 by whatever name called, an office, place of distribution, sales or sample room or  
24 place, warehouse or storage place or other place of business in this state.

25           **SECTION 87.** 77.51 (13g) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           77.51 (13g) (b) Any retailer having any representative, agent, salesperson,  
2           canvasser or solicitor operating in this state under the authority of the retailer or its  
3           subsidiary for the purpose of selling, delivering or the taking of orders for any  
4           tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
5           (d), or taxable services.

6           **SECTION 88.** 77.51 (13g) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

7           77.51 (13g) (c) Any retailer selling tangible personal property, or items,  
8           property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable services for storage, use,  
9           or other consumption in this state, unless otherwise limited by federal law.

10          **SECTION 89.** 77.51 (13r) of the statutes is amended to read:

11          77.51 (13r) Any person purchasing from a retailer as defined in sub. (13) shall  
12          be deemed the consumer of the tangible personal property, or items, property, or  
13          goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or services purchased.

14          **SECTION 90.** 77.51 (13rm) of the statutes is created to read:

15          77.51 (13rm) “Retail sale” or “sale at retail” means any sale, lease, or rental  
16          for any purpose other than resale, sublease, or subrent.

17          **SECTION 91.** 77.51 (13rn) of the statutes is created to read:

18          77.51 (13rn) “Ringtones” means digitized sound files that are downloaded onto  
19          a device and that may be used to alert the customer with regard to a communication.  
20          “Ringtones” includes MP3 or musical tones, polyphonic tones, and synthetic music  
21          mobile application format tones, but does not include ring-back tones.

22          **SECTION 92.** 77.51 (14) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

23          77.51 (14) (intro.) “Sale”, ~~“sale, lease or rental”, “retail sale”, “sale at retail”, or~~  
24          ~~equivalent terms include~~ includes any ~~one or all~~ of the following: the transfer of the  
25          ownership of, title to, possession of, or enjoyment of tangible personal property, or

1 items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or services for use or  
2 consumption but not for resale as tangible personal property, or items, property, or  
3 goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or services and includes:

4 **SECTION 93.** 77.51 (14) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 77.51 (14) (a) Any sale at an auction ~~in~~ with respect to tangible personal  
6 property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) which is are sold  
7 to a successful bidder. ~~The proceeds from, except the sale of tangible personal~~  
8 property, items, or goods sold at auction which ~~is~~ are bid in by the seller and on which  
9 title does not pass to a new purchaser ~~shall be deducted from the gross proceeds of~~  
10 ~~the sale and the tax paid only on the net proceeds.~~

11 **SECTION 94.** 77.51 (14) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 77.51 (14) (b) The furnishing or distributing of tangible personal property, or  
13 items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or taxable services for a  
14 consideration by social clubs and fraternal organizations to their members or others.

15 **SECTION 95.** 77.51 (14) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 77.51 (14) (c) A transaction whereby the possession of tangible personal  
17 property is or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) are transferred  
18 but the seller retains the title as security for the payment of the price.

19 **SECTION 96.** 77.51 (14) (d) of the statutes is repealed.

20 **SECTION 97.** 77.51 (14) (g) of the statutes is renumbered 77.51 (15a) (b) 4. and  
21 amended to read:

22 77.51 (15a) (b) 4. A sale of tangible personal property or items, property, or  
23 goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a contractor or subcontractor for use in the  
24 performance of contracts with the United States or its instrumentalities for the  
25 construction of improvements on or to real property.

1           **SECTION 98.** 77.51 (14) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           77.51 (14) (h) A transfer for a consideration of the title or possession of tangible  
3           personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) which  
4           has have been produced, fabricated, or printed to the special order of the customer  
5           or of any publication.

6           **SECTION 99.** 77.51 (14) (i) of the statutes is repealed.

7           **SECTION 100.** 77.51 (14) (j) of the statutes is amended to read:

8           77.51 (14) (j) The granting of possession of tangible personal property or items,  
9           property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) by a lessor to a lessee, or to another  
10          person at the direction of the lessee. Such a transaction is deemed a continuing sale  
11          in this state ~~by the lessor for the duration of the lease as respects any period of time~~  
12          ~~the leased property is situated in this state, irrespective of the time or place of~~  
13          ~~delivery of the property to the lessee or such other person.~~

14          **SECTION 101.** 77.51 (14) (k) of the statutes is repealed.

15          **SECTION 102.** 77.51 (14) (L) of the statutes is repealed.

16          **SECTION 103.** 77.51 (14g) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

17          77.51 (14g) (a) The transfer of property or items, property, or goods under s.  
18          77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a corporation upon its organization solely in consideration  
19          for the issuance of its stock;

20          **SECTION 104.** 77.51 (14g) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

21          77.51 (14g) (b) The contribution of property or items, property, or goods under  
22          s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a newly formed partnership solely in consideration for a  
23          partnership interest therein;

24          **SECTION 105.** 77.51 (14g) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           77.51 (14g) (bm) The contribution of property or items, property, or goods under  
2 s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a limited liability company upon its organization solely  
3 in consideration for a membership interest;

4           **SECTION 106.** 77.51 (14g) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

5           77.51 (14g) (c) The transfer of property or items, property, or goods under s.  
6 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a corporation, solely in consideration for the issuance of its  
7 stock, pursuant to a merger or consolidation;

8           **SECTION 107.** 77.51 (14g) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

9           77.51 (14g) (cm) The transfer of property or items, property, or goods under s.  
10 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a limited liability company, solely in consideration for a  
11 membership interest, pursuant to a merger;

12           **SECTION 108.** 77.51 (14g) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

13           77.51 (14g) (d) The distribution of property or items, property, or goods under  
14 s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) by a corporation to its stockholders as a dividend or in whole  
15 or partial liquidation;

16           **SECTION 109.** 77.51 (14g) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

17           77.51 (14g) (e) The distribution of property or items, property, or goods under  
18 s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) by a partnership to its partners in whole or partial  
19 liquidation;

20           **SECTION 110.** 77.51 (14g) (em) of the statutes is amended to read:

21           77.51 (14g) (em) The distribution of property or items, property, or goods under  
22 s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) by a limited liability company to its members in whole or  
23 partial liquidation;

24           **SECTION 111.** 77.51 (14g) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           77.51 (14g) (f) Repossession of property or items, property, or goods under s.  
2           77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) by the seller from the purchaser when the only consideration  
3           is cancellation of the purchaser's obligation to pay the remaining balance of the  
4           purchase price;

5           **SECTION 112.** 77.51 (14g) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

6           77.51 (14g) (g) The transfer of property or items, property, or goods under s.  
7           77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) in a reorganization as defined in section 368 of the internal  
8           revenue code in which no gain or loss is recognized for franchise or income tax  
9           purposes; or

10          **SECTION 113.** 77.51 (14g) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

11          77.51 (14g) (h) Any transfer of all or substantially all the property or items,  
12          property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) held or used by a person in the  
13          course of an activity requiring the holding of a seller's permit, if after the transfer  
14          the real or ultimate ownership of the property, items, or goods is substantially similar  
15          to that which existed before the transfer. For the purposes of this section,  
16          stockholders, bondholders, partners, members or other persons holding an interest  
17          in a corporation or other entity are regarded as having the real or ultimate ownership  
18          of the property, items, or goods of the corporation or other entity. In this paragraph,  
19          "substantially similar" means 80% or more of ownership.

20          **SECTION 114.** 77.51 (14r) of the statutes is repealed.

21          **SECTION 115.** 77.51 (15) of the statutes is repealed.

22          **SECTION 116.** 77.51 (15a) of the statutes is created to read:

23          77.51 (15a) (a) "Sales, lease, or rental for resale, sublease, or subrent" includes  
24          transfers of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1)  
25          (b), (c), or (d) to a service provider that the service provider transfers in conjunction

1 with but not incidental to the selling, performing, or furnishing of any service, and  
2 transfers of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1)  
3 (b), (c), or (d) to a service provider that the service provider physically transfers in  
4 conjunction with the selling, performing, or furnishing services under s. 77.52 (2) (a)  
5 7., 10., 11., or 20. This paragraph does not apply to sub. (2).

6 (b) "Sales, lease, or rental for resale, sublease, or subrent" does not include any  
7 of the following:

8 1. The sale of building materials, supplies, and equipment to owners,  
9 contractors, subcontractors, or builders for use in real property construction  
10 activities or the alteration, repair, or improvement of real property, regardless of the  
11 quantity of such materials, supplies, and equipment sold.

12 2. Any sale of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s.  
13 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a purchaser even though such property, items, or goods may  
14 be used or consumed by some other person to whom such purchaser transfers the  
15 property, items, or goods without valuable consideration, such as gifts, and  
16 advertising specialties distributed at no charge and apart from the sale of other  
17 tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or  
18 (d) or service.

19 3. Transfers of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s.  
20 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) to a service provider that the service provider transfers in  
21 conjunction with the selling, performing, or furnishing of any service, if the tangible  
22 personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) are  
23 incidental to the service, unless the service provider is selling, performing, or  
24 furnishing services under s. 77.52 (2) (a) 7., 10., 11., or 20.

25 **SECTION 117.** 77.51 (15b) of the statutes is created to read:



1           77.51 (15b) (a) "Sales price" means the total amount of consideration, including  
2 cash, credit, property, and services, for which tangible personal property, or items,  
3 property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) or services are sold, licensed, leased,  
4 or rented, valued in money, whether received in money or otherwise, without any  
5 deduction for the following:

6           1. The seller's cost of the property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52  
7 (1) (b), (c), or (d) sold.

8           2. The cost of materials used, labor or service cost, interest, losses, all costs of  
9 transportation to the seller, all taxes imposed on the seller, and any other expense  
10 of the seller.

11           3. Charges by the seller for any services necessary to complete a sale, not  
12 including delivery and installation charges.

13           4. a. Delivery charges, except as provided in par. (b) 4.

14           b. If a shipment includes property or items that are subject to tax under this  
15 subchapter and property or items that are not subject to tax under this subchapter,  
16 the amount of the delivery charge that the seller allocates to the property and items  
17 that are subject to tax under this subchapter is based either on the total sales price  
18 of the property and items that are subject to tax under this subchapter as compared  
19 to the total sales price of all the property and items or on the total weight of the  
20 property and items that are subject to tax under this subchapter as compared to the  
21 total weight of all the property and items.

22           5. Installation charges.

23           (b) "Sales price" does not include:

1           1. Discounts, including cash, terms, or coupons, that are not reimbursed by a  
2 3rd party, except as provided in par. (c); that are allowed by a seller; and that are  
3 taken by a purchaser on a sale.

4           2. Interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit that is extended on a  
5 sale of tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b),  
6 (c), or (d), or services, if the amount of the interest, financing, or carrying charges is  
7 separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document that the seller gives  
8 to the purchaser.

9           3. Any taxes legally imposed directly on the purchaser that are separately  
10 stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document that the seller gives to the  
11 purchaser.

12           4. Delivery charges for direct mail, if the delivery charges for direct mail are  
13 separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document that the seller gives  
14 to the purchaser.

15           5. In all transactions in which an article of tangible personal property, an item  
16 under s. 77.52 (1) (b), property under s. 77.52 (1) (c), or a good under s. 77.52 (1) (d)  
17 is traded toward the purchase of an article, item, property, or good of greater value,  
18 the amount of the sales price that represents the amount allowed for the article, item,  
19 property, or good traded, except that this subdivision does not apply to any  
20 transaction to which subd. 7. or 8. applies.

21           6. If a person who purchases a motor vehicle presents a statement issued under  
22 s. 218.0171 (2) (cq) to the seller at the time of purchase, and the person presents the  
23 statement to the seller within 60 days from the date of receiving a refund under s.  
24 218.0171 (2) (b) 2. b., the trade-in amount specified in the statement issued under  
25 s. 218.0171 (2) (cq), but not to exceed the sales price from the sale of the motor vehicle.

1 This subdivision applies only to the first motor vehicle purchased by a person after  
2 receiving a refund under s. 218.0171 (2) (b) 2. b.

3 7. Thirty-five percent of the sales price, excluding trade-ins, of a new  
4 manufactured home, as defined in s. 101.91 (11). This subdivision does not apply to  
5 a lease or rental.

6 8. At the retailer's option; except that after the retailer chooses an option the  
7 retailer may not use the other option for other sales without the department's written  
8 approval; either 35 percent of the sales price of a modular home, as defined in s.  
9 101.71 (6), or an amount equal to the sales price of the home minus the cost of  
10 materials that become an ingredient or component part of the home.

11 (c) "Sales price" includes consideration received by the seller from a 3rd party,  
12 if:

13 1. The seller actually receives consideration from a 3rd party, other than the  
14 purchaser, and the consideration is directly related to a price reduction or discount  
15 on a sale.

16 2. The seller is obliged to pass the price reduction or discount to the purchaser.

17 3. The amount of the consideration that is attributable to the sale is a fixed  
18 amount and the seller is able to determine that amount at the time of the sale to the  
19 purchaser.

20 4. One of the following also applies:

21 a. The purchaser presents a coupon, certificate, or other documentation to the  
22 seller to claim the price reduction or discount, if the coupon, certificate, or other  
23 documentation is authorized, distributed, or granted by the 3rd party with the  
24 understanding that the 3rd party will reimburse the seller for the amount of the price  
25 reduction or discount.

1           b. The purchaser identifies himself or herself to the seller as a member of a  
2 group or organization that may claim the price reduction or discount.

3           c. The seller provides an invoice to the purchaser, or the purchaser presents a  
4 coupon, certificate, or other documentation to the seller, that identifies the price  
5 reduction or discount as a 3rd-party price reduction or discount.

6           **SECTION 118.** 77.51 (17) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

7           77.51 (17) (intro.) "Seller" includes every person selling, licensing, leasing, or  
8 renting tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b),  
9 (c), or (d) or selling, performing, or furnishing services of a kind the ~~gross receipts~~  
10 sales price from the sale, license, lease, rental, performance, or furnishing of which  
11 ~~are~~ is required to be included in the measure of the sales tax, regardless of all of the  
12 following:

13           **SECTION 119.** 77.51 (17m) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

14           77.51 (17m) "Service address" means any of the following:

15           (a) The location of the telecommunications equipment to which a customer's  
16 telecommunications service is charged and from which the telecommunications  
17 service originates or terminates, regardless of where the telecommunications service  
18 is billed or paid.

19           (b) If the location described under par. (a) is not known by the seller who sells  
20 the telecommunications service, the location where the signal of the  
21 telecommunications service originates, as identified by the seller's  
22 telecommunications system or, if the signal is not transmitted by the seller's  
23 telecommunications system, by information that the seller received from the seller's  
24 service provider.

1 (c) If the locations described under pars. (a) and (b) are not known by the seller  
2 who sells the telecommunications service, the customer's place of primary use.

3 **SECTION 120.** 77.51 (17w) of the statutes is created to read:

4 77.51 (17w) "Soft drink" means a beverage that contains less than 0.5 percent  
5 of alcohol and that contains natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft drink" does not  
6 include a beverage that contains milk or milk products; soy, rice, or similar milk  
7 substitutes; or more than 50 percent vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

8 **SECTION 121.** 77.51 (17x) of the statutes is created to read:

9 77.51 (17x) "Specified digital goods" means digital audio works, digital  
10 audiovisual works, and digital books. For purposes of this subchapter, the sale of or  
11 the storage, use, or other consumption of a digital code is treated the same as the sale  
12 of or the storage, use, or other consumption of any specified digital goods for which  
13 the digital code relates.

14 **SECTION 122.** 77.51 (18) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 77.51 (18) "Storage" includes any keeping or retention in this state of tangible  
16 personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d)  
17 purchased from a retailer for any purpose except sale in the regular course of  
18 business.

19 **SECTION 123.** 77.51 (20) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 77.51 (20) "Tangible personal property" means all tangible personal property  
21 of every kind and description and includes electricity, natural gas, steam and water  
22 and also leased property affixed to realty if the lessor has the right to remove the  
23 property upon breach or termination of the lease agreement, unless the lessor of the  
24 property is also the lessor of the realty to which the property is affixed. "Tangible  
25 personal property" also includes coins and stamps of the United States sold or traded

1 as collectors' items above their face value and ~~computer programs except custom~~  
2 ~~computer programs~~ prewritten computer software, regardless of how it is delivered  
3 to the purchaser.

4 **SECTION 124.** 77.51 (20) of the statutes, as affected by 2009 Wisconsin Act ....  
5 (this act), is repealed and recreated to read:

6 77.51 (20) "Tangible personal property" means personal property that can be  
7 seen, weighed, measured, felt, or touched, or that is in any other manner perceptible  
8 to the senses, and includes electricity, gas, steam, water, and prewritten computer  
9 software, regardless of how the software is delivered to the purchaser.

10 **SECTION 125.** 77.51 (21) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 77.51 (21) "Taxpayer" means the person who is required to pay, collect, or  
12 account for or who is otherwise directly interested in the taxes imposed by this  
13 subchapter, including a certified service provider.

14 **SECTION 126.** 77.51 (21m) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 77.51 (21m) "Telecommunications and Internet access services" means  
16 sending messages and information transmitted through the use of local, toll and  
17 wide-area telephone service; channel services; telegraph services; teletypewriter;  
18 computer exchange services; cellular mobile telecommunications service; specialized  
19 mobile radio; stationary two-way radio; paging service; or any other form of mobile  
20 and portable one-way or two-way communications; or any other transmission of  
21 messages or information by electronic or similar means between or among points by  
22 wire, cable, fiber optics, laser, microwave, radio, satellite or similar facilities.  
23 "Telecommunications and Internet access services" does not include sending collect  
24 telecommunications that are received outside of the state.