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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 259

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO SALES AND USE TAX; AMENDING CHAPTER 36, TITLE 63, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 63-3605E, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE A TERM; AMENDING SECTION 63-3611, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A DEFINITION AND TO CLARIFY A DUTY; AMENDING CHAPTER 36, TITLE 63, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 63-3620E, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE STATE SALES OR USE TAX BY A MARKETPLACE FACILITATOR; AMENDING CHAPTER 36, TITLE 63, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 63-3620F, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF TAX COLLECTED BY CERTAIN MARKETPLACE FACILITATORS AND RETAILERS; AMENDING SECTION 57-811, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN REVENUES TO THE TAX RELIEF FUND AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3638, IDAHO CODE, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN TAXES FROM A CERTAIN DISTRIBUTION FORMULA AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 63-3605, IDAHO CODE, TO REDESIGNATE THE SECTION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3605A, IDAHO CODE, TO REDESIGNATE THE SECTION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3605B, IDAHO CODE, TO REDESIGNATE THE SECTION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3606A, IDAHO CODE, TO REDESIGNATE THE SECTION; AMENDING SECTION 63-3606B, IDAHO CODE, TO REDESIGNATE THE SECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 36, Title 63, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 63-3605E, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

63-3605E. MARKETPLACE FACILITATOR. The term "marketplace facilitator" means a person that contracts with sellers to facilitate for consideration, including the deduction of fees from a transaction, the sale of the seller's products through a physical or electronic marketplace operated by the person, and engages:
   (1) Directly or indirectly, through one (1) or more affiliated persons, in any of the following:
      (a) Transmitting or otherwise communicating the offer or acceptance between the buyer and seller;
      (b) Owns or operating the infrastructure, electronic or physical, or the technology that brings buyers and sellers together;
      (c) Providing a virtual currency that buyers are allowed or required to use to purchase products from the seller; or
      (d) Software development or research and development activities related to any of the activities described in subsection (2) of this section, if the activities are directly related to a physical or electronic marketplace operated by the person or an affiliated person; and
(2) In any of the following activities, with respect to the seller's products:
(a) Payment processing services;
(b) Fulfillment or storage services;
(c) Listing products for sale;
(d) Setting prices;
(e) Branding sales as those of the marketplace facilitator;
(f) Taking orders;
(g) Advertising or promotion; or
(h) Providing customer service or accepting or assisting with returns or exchanges.

SECTION 2. That Section 63-3611, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

63-3611. RETAILER ENGAGED IN BUSINESS IN THIS STATE. "Retailer engaged in business in this state" as used in this chapter means any retailer who:
(1) Engages in recurring solicitation of purchases from residents of this state or otherwise purposefully directs its business activities at residents of this state; and
(2) Has sufficient contact with this state, in accordance with the constitution of the United States, to allow the state to require the seller to collect and remit sales or use tax on sales of tangible personal property or services made to customers in this state.
(3) The term "retailer engaged in business in this state" includes any of the following:
(a) Any retailer maintaining, occupying or using, permanently or temporarily, directly or indirectly, or through a subsidiary or agent, by whatever name called, an office, place of distribution, sales or sample room or place, warehouse or storage place, or other place of business or maintaining a stock of goods.
(b) Any retailer having any representative, agent, salesman, canvasser or solicitor operating in this state under the authority of the retailer or its subsidiary for the purpose of selling, delivering, installing or the taking of orders for any tangible personal property.
(c) Any retailer, with respect to a lease or rental, deriving rentals from a lease or rental of tangible personal property situated in this state.
(d) Any retailer engaging in any activity in connection with servicing or installing tangible personal property in this state.
(e) Any retailer with substantial nexus in this state within the meaning of section 63-3615A, Idaho Code.
(f) Any retailer having a franchisee or licensee operating under its trade name if the franchisee or licensee is required to collect the tax under the provisions of this section.
(g) (i) Any retailer that has an agreement, directly or indirectly, with one (1) or more persons engaged in business in this state pursuant to this section under which, for a commission or other consideration, the persons refer potential purchasers to
the retailer directly, whether by a link on an internet website, written or oral presentation, or otherwise; and
(ii) The cumulative gross receipts from sales by the retailer to purchasers who are referred by all retailers engaged in business in this state pursuant to this section with such an agreement are greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the immediately preceding twelve (12) months. For purposes of this paragraph, gross receipts means receipts from sales to customers located in this state who were referred to the retailer by persons in this state with such an agreement with the retailer.
(iii) For purposes of this paragraph, a retailer may rebut the presumption that it is soliciting sales in Idaho through persons in this state with whom it has an agreement as described in subparagraph (g)(i) of this subsection paragraph. For purposes of administering such rebuttal, the state tax commission will deem the presumption rebutted if the retailer is able to establish that no persons as described in subparagraph (g)(i) of this subsection paragraph engaged in any solicitation in this state on behalf of the retailer that would satisfy the nexus requirement of the United States constitution during the twelve (12) month period in question. The state tax commission may promulgate rules to administer the provisions of this subsection.
(h) On and after June 1, 2019, any retailer without a physical presence in Idaho that has, in the previous calendar year or the current calendar year, cumulative gross receipts from sales delivered into Idaho in excess of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000). Provided, however, a retailer described under this paragraph (h) shall not collect or remit any local sales tax or any other tax or assessment that is not imposed by this chapter.

SECTION 3. That Chapter 36, Title 63, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 63-3620E, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

63-3620E. COLLECTION OF TAX BY MARKETPLACE FACILITATORS. (1) A marketplace facilitator shall register with the state tax commission and collect, report, and pay state sales and use taxes on any retail sale facilitated by the marketplace facilitator. A marketplace facilitator shall not collect, report, or pay any local sales tax or any other tax or assessment that is not imposed by this chapter.
(2) A marketplace facilitator that has physical presence in this state but has not previously facilitated a retail sale in the state of Idaho shall have forty-five (45) days to comply with this section upon completion of the marketplace facilitator's first facilitated retail sale in Idaho.
(3) A marketplace facilitator that does not have physical presence in this state must comply with this section once the combined total of its own sales and any sales it facilitates for retailers or authorized agents of the retailer exceeds one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000).
(4) A marketplace facilitator is not liable under this section for failure to file, collect, and remit sales and use taxes if the marketplace facilitator demonstrates that the error was due to incorrect or insuffi-
cient information given to the marketplace facilitator by the retailer or authorized agent of the retailer. This subsection shall not apply if the marketplace facilitator and the retailer or authorized agent of the retailer are related parties.

(5) No class action on behalf of customers may be brought against a marketplace facilitator in any court of this state that arises from or is in any way related to an overpayment of sales or use tax collected on sales facilitated by the marketplace facilitator, regardless of whether that claim is characterized as a tax refund claim. Nothing in this subsection affects a customer's right to seek a refund as provided under section 63-3626, Idaho Code.

(6) The state tax commission may waive penalties and interest if a marketplace facilitator seeks liability relief and the state tax commission finds that a reasonable cause exists.

SECTION 4. That Chapter 36, Title 63, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 63-3620F, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

63-3620F. DISTRIBUTION OF TAX COLLECTED BY MARKETPLACE FACILITATORS AND OUT-OF-STATE RETAILERS. (1) State sales and use taxes collected by retailers without a physical presence in Idaho, as described in section 63-3611(3)(h), Idaho Code, and state sales and use taxes collected on transactions facilitated for third-party sellers by marketplace facilitators, as described in section 63-3605E, Idaho Code, shall be distributed as provided in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) All state sales and use taxes described in subsection (1) of this section shall be distributed by the state tax commission as follows:

(a) An amount of money shall be distributed to the state refund account sufficient to pay current refund claims under this section. All refunds authorized for payment by the state tax commission shall be paid through the state refund account and those moneys are continuously appropriated; and

(b) All remaining funds received pursuant to this section shall be distributed to the tax relief fund established in section 57-811, Idaho Code.

(3) Marketplace facilitators must obtain a separate seller's permit and collect and remit under that separate permit for state sales and use taxes collected on transactions facilitated for third-party sellers.

SECTION 5. That Section 57-811, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

57-811. TAX RELIEF FUND. There is hereby created in the state treasury the tax relief fund to which shall be credited all moneys remitted from sections 63-3620F and 63-3638, Idaho Code, from federal grants, donations or moneys from any other source. Moneys in the fund are intended to fund future tax relief statutes enacted by the legislature and may be expended pursuant to appropriation. All interest earned on the investment of idle moneys in the fund shall be returned to the fund.
SECTION 6. That Section 63-3638, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

63-3638. SALES TAX -- DISTRIBUTION. All moneys collected under this chapter, except as may otherwise be required in sections 63-3203, 63-3620F, and 63-3709, Idaho Code, and except as provided in subsection (16) of this section, shall be distributed by the state tax commission as follows:

(1) An amount of money shall be distributed to the state refund account sufficient to pay current refund claims. All refunds authorized under this chapter by the state tax commission shall be paid through the state refund account, and those moneys are continuously appropriated.

(2) Five million dollars ($5,000,000) per year is continuously appropriated and shall be distributed to the permanent building fund, provided by section 57-1108, Idaho Code.

(3) Four million eight hundred thousand dollars ($4,800,000) per year is continuously appropriated and shall be distributed to the water pollution control account fund established by section 39-3628, Idaho Code.

(4) An amount equal to the sum required to be certified by the chairman of the Idaho housing and finance association to the state tax commission pursuant to section 67-6211, Idaho Code, in each year is continuously appropriated and shall be paid to any capital reserve fund established by the Idaho housing and finance association pursuant to section 67-6211, Idaho Code. Such amounts, if any, as may be appropriated hereunder to the capital reserve fund of the Idaho housing and finance association shall be repaid for distribution under the provisions of this section, subject to the provisions of section 67-6215, Idaho Code, by the Idaho housing and finance association, as soon as possible, from any moneys available therefor and in excess of the amounts which the association determines will keep it self-supporting.

(5) An amount equal to the sum required by the provisions of sections 63-709 and 63-717, Idaho Code, after allowance for the amount appropriated by section 63-718(3), Idaho Code, is continuously appropriated and shall be paid as provided by sections 63-709 and 63-717, Idaho Code.

(6) An amount required by the provisions of chapter 53, title 33, Idaho Code.

(7) An amount required by the provisions of chapter 87, title 67, Idaho Code.

(8) For fiscal year 2011 and each fiscal year thereafter, four million one hundred thousand dollars ($4,100,000), of which two million two hundred thousand dollars ($2,200,000) shall be distributed to each of the forty-four (44) counties in equal amounts, and one million nine hundred thousand dollars ($1,900,000) of which shall be distributed to the forty-four (44) counties in the proportion that the population of the county bears to the population of the state. For fiscal year 2012 and for each fiscal year thereafter, the amount distributed pursuant to this subsection shall be adjusted annually by the state tax commission in accordance with the consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) as published by the U.S. department of labor, bureau of labor statistics, but in no fiscal year shall the total amount allocated for counties under this subsection be less than four million one hundred thousand dollars ($4,100,000). Any increase resulting from the ad-
justment required in this section shall be distributed to each county in the proportion that the population of the county bears to the population of the state. Each county shall establish a special election fund to which shall be deposited all revenues received from the distribution pursuant to this sub-section. All such revenues shall be used exclusively to defray the costs associated with conducting elections as required of county clerks by the provisions of section 34-1401, Idaho Code.

(9) One dollar ($1.00) on each application for certificate of title or initial application for registration of a motor vehicle, snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle or other vehicle processed by the county assessor or the Idaho transportation department, excepting those applications in which any sales or use taxes due have been previously collected by a retailer, shall be a fee for the services of the assessor of the county or the Idaho transportation department in collecting such taxes, and shall be paid into the current expense fund of the county or state highway account established in section 40-702, Idaho Code.

(10) Eleven and five-tenths percent (11.5%) is continuously appropriated and shall be distributed to the revenue-sharing account, which is hereby created in the state treasury, and the moneys in the revenue-sharing account will be paid in installments each calendar quarter by the state tax commission as follows:

(a) Twenty-eight and two-tenths percent (28.2%) shall be paid to the various cities as follows:
   (i) Fifty percent (50%) of such amount shall be paid to the various cities, and each city shall be entitled to an amount in the proportion that the population of that city bears to the population of all cities within the state; and
   (ii) Fifty percent (50%) of such amount shall be paid to the various cities, and each city shall be entitled to an amount in the proportion that the preceding year's market value for assessment purposes for that city bears to the preceding year's market value for assessment purposes for all cities within the state.

(b) Twenty-eight and two-tenths percent (28.2%) shall be paid to the various counties as follows:
   (i) One million three hundred twenty thousand dollars ($1,320,000) annually shall be distributed one forty-fourth (1/44) to each of the various counties; and
   (ii) The balance of such amount shall be paid to the various counties, and each county shall be entitled to an amount in the proportion that the population of that county bears to the population of the state.

(c) Thirty-five and nine-tenths percent (35.9%) of the amount appropriated in this subsection shall be paid to the several counties for distribution to the cities and counties as follows:
   (i) Each city and county which received a payment under the provisions of section 63-3638(e), Idaho Code, during the fourth quarter of calendar year 1999, shall be entitled to a like amount during succeeding calendar quarters.
   (ii) If the dollar amount of money available under this subsection (10)(c) in any quarter does not equal the amount paid in the fourth
quarter of calendar year 1999, each city's and county's payment shall be reduced proportionately.

(iii) If the dollar amount of money available under this subsection (10)(c) in any quarter exceeds the amount paid in the fourth quarter of calendar year 1999, each city and county shall be entitled to a proportionately increased payment, but such increase shall not exceed one hundred five percent (105%) of the total payment made in the fourth quarter of calendar year 1999.

(iv) If the dollar amount of money available under this subsection (10)(c) in any quarter exceeds one hundred five percent (105%) of the total payment made in the fourth quarter of calendar year 1999, any amount over and above such one hundred five percent (105%) shall be paid fifty percent (50%) to the various cities in the proportion that the population of the city bears to the population of all cities within the state and fifty percent (50%) to the various counties in the proportion that the population of the county bears to the population of the state; and

(d) Seven and seven-tenths percent (7.7%) of the amount appropriated in this subsection shall be paid to the several counties for distribution to special purpose taxing districts as follows:

(i) Each such district which received a payment under the provisions of section 63-3638(e), Idaho Code, as such subsection existed immediately prior to July 1, 2000, during the fourth quarter of calendar year 1999, shall be entitled to a like amount during succeeding calendar quarters.

(ii) If the dollar amount of money available under this subsection (10)(d) in any quarter does not equal the amount paid in the fourth quarter of calendar year 1999, each special purpose taxing district's payment shall be reduced proportionately.

(iii) If the dollar amount of money available under this subsection (10)(d) in any quarter exceeds the amount distributed under paragraph (i) of this subsection (10)(d), each special purpose taxing district shall be entitled to a share of the excess based on the proportion each such district's current property tax budget bears to the sum of the current property tax budgets of all such districts in the state. The state tax commission shall calculate district current property tax budgets to include any unrecovered amounts as determined under section 63-802(1)(e), Idaho Code. When a special purpose taxing district is situated in more than one (1) county, the state tax commission shall determine the portion attributable to the special purpose taxing district from each county in which it is situated.

(iv) If special purpose taxing districts are consolidated, the resulting district is entitled to a base amount equal to the sum of the base amounts which were received in the last calendar quarter by each district prior to the consolidation.

(v) If a special purpose taxing district is dissolved or disincorporated, the state tax commission shall continuously distribute to the board of county commissioners an amount equal to the last quarter's distribution prior to dissolution or disincorpora-
tion. The board of county commissioners shall determine any re-
distribution of moneys so received.

(vi) Taxing districts formed after January 1, 2001, are not enti-
tled to a payment under the provisions of this subsection (10) (d).
(vii) For purposes of this subsection (10) (d), a special purpose
taxing district is any taxing district which that is not a city, a
county or a school district.

(11) Amounts calculated in accordance with section 2, chapter 356, laws
of 2001, for annual distribution to counties and other taxing districts be-
beginning in October 2001 for replacement of property tax on farm machinery and
equipment exempted pursuant to section 63-602EE, Idaho Code. For nonschool
districts, the state tax commission shall distribute one-fourth (1/4) of
this amount certified quarterly to each county. For school districts, the
state tax commission shall distribute one-fourth (1/4) of the amount certi-
fied quarterly to each school district. For nonschool districts, the county
auditor shall distribute to each district within thirty (30) calendar days
from receipt of moneys from the state tax commission. Moneys received by
each taxing district for replacement shall be utilized in the same manner
and in the same proportions as revenues from property taxation. The moneys
remitted to the county treasurer for replacement of property exempt from
taxation pursuant to section 63-602EE, Idaho Code, may be considered by the
counties and other taxing districts and budgeted at the same time, in the
same manner and in the same year as revenues from taxation on personal prop-
erty which these moneys replace. If taxing districts are consolidated, the
resulting district is entitled to an amount equal to the sum of the amounts
which were received in the last calendar quarter by each district pursuant
to this subsection prior to the consolidation. If a taxing district is
dissolved or disincorporated, the state tax commission shall continuously
distribute to the board of county commissioners an amount equal to the
last quarter's distribution prior to dissolution or disincorporation. The
board of county commissioners shall determine any redistribution of moneys
so received. If a taxing district annexes territory, the distribution of
moneys received pursuant to this subsection shall be unaffected. Taxing
districts formed after January 1, 2001, are not entitled to a payment under
the provisions of this subsection. School districts shall receive an amount
determined by multiplying the sum of the year 2000 school district levy mi-

nus .004 times the market value on December 31, 2000, in the district of the
property exempt from taxation pursuant to section 63-602EE, Idaho Code, pro-
vided that the result of these calculations shall not be less than zero (0). The
result of these school district calculations shall be further increased
by six percent (6%). For purposes of the limitation provided by section
63-802, Idaho Code, moneys received pursuant to this section as property tax
replacement for property exempt from taxation pursuant to section 63-602EE,
Idaho Code, shall be treated as property tax revenues.

(12) Amounts necessary to pay refunds as provided in section 63-3641,
Idaho Code, to a developer of a retail complex shall be remitted to the demon-
stration pilot project fund created in section 63-3641, Idaho Code.

(13) Amounts calculated in accordance with subsection (4) of section
63-602KK, Idaho Code, for annual distribution to counties and other taxing
districts for replacement of property tax on personal property tax exemp-
tions pursuant to subsection (2) of section 63-602KK, Idaho Code, which
d Amounts are continuously appropriated unless the legislature enacts a dif-
ferent appropriation for a particular fiscal year. For purposes of the
limitation provided by section 63-802, Idaho Code, moneys received pursuant
to this section as property tax replacement for property exempt from taxa-
tion pursuant to section 63-602KK, Idaho Code, shall be treated as property
tax revenues. If taxing districts are consolidated, the resulting district
is entitled to an amount equal to the sum of the amounts that were received in
the last calendar year by each district pursuant to this subsection prior to
the consolidation. If a taxing district or revenue allocation area annexes
territory, the distribution of moneys received pursuant to this subsection
shall be unaffected. Taxing districts and revenue allocation areas formed
after January 1, 2013, are not entitled to a payment under the provisions of
this subsection.

(14) Amounts collected from purchasers and paid to the state of Idaho by
retailers that are not engaged in business in this state and which retailer
would not have been required to collect the sales tax, less amounts other-
wise distributed in subsections (1) and (10) of this section, shall be dis-
tributed to the tax relief fund created in section 57-811, Idaho Code. The
state tax commission will determine the amounts to be distributed under this
subsection.

(15) Any moneys remaining over and above those necessary to meet and
reserve for payments under other subsections of this section shall be dis-
tributed to the general fund.

(16) One percent (1%) shall be distributed to the transportation expan-
sion and congestion mitigation program established in section 40-720, Idaho
Code. The distribution provided for in this subsection must immediately
follow the distribution provided for in subsection (10) of this section.

SECTION 7. That Section 63-3605, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
amended to read as follows:

63-36054B. INCLUDES AND INCLUDING. The terms "includes" and "includ-
ing" when used in this act shall not be deemed to exclude other things other-
wise within the meaning of the term defined.

SECTION 8. That Section 63-3605A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
amended to read as follows:

63-3605AC. LOGGING. The term "logging" means the harvesting of for-
est trees by cutting, skidding, loading, thinning or decking, regardless of
whether the forest trees are owned by the person performing the harvesting
when such harvesting is for resale of the product harvested.

SECTION 9. That Section 63-3605B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
amended to read as follows:

63-3605AH. MINING. The term "mining" means the extraction from the
earth of a mineral as defined in sections 47-701 and 47-701A, Idaho Code, ex-
cepting therefrom geothermal resources, and includes the further processing
of such mineral.
SECTION 10. That Section 63-3606A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

63-3606A5J. MODULAR BUILDING. The term "modular building," as defined in section 39-4301, Idaho Code, is a substantially complete building designed to be affixed to real property. The term "modular building," includes all components incorporated in such modular building at the time of manufacture and remaining unchanged at the time of the original retail sale. Furniture, fixtures, furnishings, appliances, and attachments not incorporated as component parts of the modular building at the time of manufacture shall be subject to the sales and use tax separately and distinctly from the sales price of a modular building. Refrigerators, ranges, draperies, and wood burning stoves placed in the modular home by the manufacturer shall be deemed to be components incorporated into such modular building.

SECTION 11. That Section 63-3606B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

63-3606B5L. MOTOR VEHICLE. The term "motor vehicle" means a vehicle registered or required to be registered for use on public roads. The term "motor vehicle" does not include vehicles not required to be registered pursuant to section 49-426, Idaho Code, or intended for off-road use only, including snowmobiles, boats and aircraft, and all-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles when not used on public roads.

SECTION 12. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after June 1, 2019.