

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 480

BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO USE TAXES; AMENDING SECTION 63-3621, IDAHO CODE, TO CLARIFY TER-
2 MINOLOGY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING RETROACTIVE APPLI-
3 CATION.
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 63-3621, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 63-3621. IMPOSITION AND RATE OF THE USE TAX -- EXEMPTIONS. (1) An ex-
9 cise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use, or other consumption in this
10 state of tangible personal property acquired on or after October 1, 2006, for
11 storage, use, or other consumption in this state at the rate of six percent
12 (6%) of the value of the property, and a recent sales price shall be presump-
13 tive evidence of the value of the property unless the property is wireless
14 telecommunications equipment, in which case a recent sales price shall be
15 conclusive evidence of the value of the property.

16 (2) Every person storing, using, or otherwise consuming, in this state,
17 tangible personal property is liable for the tax. His liability is not ex-
18 tinguished until the tax has been paid to this state except that a receipt
19 from a retailer maintaining a place of business in this state or engaged in
20 business in this state given to the purchaser is sufficient to relieve the
21 purchaser from further liability for the tax to which the receipt refers.
22 A retailer shall not be considered to have stored, used, or consumed wire-
23 less telecommunications equipment by virtue of giving, selling, or other-
24 wise transferring such equipment at a discount as an inducement to a consumer
25 to commence or continue a contract for telecommunications service.

26 (3) Every retailer engaged in business in this state and making sales
27 of tangible personal property for the storage, use, or other consumption in
28 this state, not exempted under section 63-3622, Idaho Code, shall, at the
29 time of making the sales or, if storage, use, or other consumption of the tan-
30 gible personal property is not then taxable hereunder, at the time the stor-
31 age, use, or other consumption becomes taxable, collect the tax from the pur-
32 chaser and give to the purchaser a receipt therefor in the manner and form
33 prescribed by the state tax commission.

34 (4) The provisions of this section shall not apply when the retailer
35 pays sales tax on the transaction and collects reimbursement for such sales
36 tax from the customer.

37 (5) Every retailer engaged in business in this state or maintaining a
38 place of business in this state shall register with the state tax commission
39 and give the name and address of all agents operating in this state the loca-
40 tion of all distributions or sales houses or offices or other places of busi-
41 ness in this state and such other information as the state tax commission may
42 require.

1 (6) For the purpose of the proper administration of this act and to pre-
2 vent evasion of the use tax and the duty to collect the use tax, it shall be
3 presumed that tangible personal property sold by any person for delivery in
4 this state is sold for storage, use, or other consumption in this state. The
5 burden of proving the sale is tax-exempt is upon the person who makes the
6 sale unless he obtains from the purchaser a resale certificate to the ef-
7 fect that the property is purchased for resale or rental. It shall be pre-
8 sumed that sales made to a person who has completed a resale certificate for
9 the seller's records are not taxable and the seller need not collect sales or
10 use taxes unless the tangible personal property purchased is taxable to the
11 purchaser as a matter of law in the particular instance claimed on the resale
12 certificate.

13 (a) A seller may accept a resale certificate from a purchaser prior to
14 the time of sale, at the time of sale, or at any reasonable time after the
15 sale when necessary to establish the privilege of the exemption. The
16 resale certificate relieves the person selling the property from the
17 burden of proof only if taken from a person who is engaged in the busi-
18 ness of selling or renting tangible personal property and who holds the
19 permit provided for by section 63-3620, Idaho Code, or who is a retailer
20 not engaged in business in this state and who, at the time of purchasing
21 the tangible personal property, intends to sell or rent it in the regu-
22 lar course of business or is unable to ascertain at the time of purchase
23 whether the property will be sold or will be used for some other pur-
24 pose. Other than as provided elsewhere in this section, when a resale
25 certificate, properly executed, is presented to the seller, the seller
26 has no duty or obligation to collect sales or use taxes in regard to any
27 sales transaction so documented, regardless of whether the purchaser
28 properly or improperly claimed an exemption. A seller so relieved of
29 the obligation to collect tax is also relieved of any liability to the
30 purchaser for failure to collect tax or for making any report or disclo-
31 sure of information required or permitted under this chapter.

32 (b) The resale certificate shall bear the name and address of the pur-
33 chaser, shall be signed by the purchaser or his agent, shall indicate
34 the number of the permit issued to the purchaser or that the purchaser
35 is an out-of-state retailer, and shall indicate the general character
36 of the tangible personal property sold by the purchaser in the regular
37 course of business. The certificate shall be substantially in such form
38 as the state tax commission may prescribe.

39 (c) If a purchaser who gives a resale certificate makes any storage or
40 use of the property other than retention, demonstration, or display
41 while holding it for sale in the regular course of business, the storage
42 or use is taxable as of the time the property is first so stored or used.

43 (7) Any person violating any provision of this section is guilty of a
44 misdemeanor and punishable by a fine not in excess of one hundred dollars
45 (\$100), and each violation shall constitute a separate offense.

46 (8) It shall be presumed that tangible personal property shipped or
47 brought to this state by the purchaser was purchased from a retailer for
48 storage, use, or other consumption in this state.

49 (9) It shall be presumed that tangible personal property delivered out-
50 side this state to a purchaser known by the retailer to be a resident of this

1 state was purchased from a retailer for storage, use, or other consumption in
2 this state. This presumption may be controverted by evidence satisfactory
3 to the state tax commission that the property was not purchased for storage,
4 use, or other consumption in this state.

5 (10) When the tangible personal property subject to use tax has been
6 subjected to a general retail sales or use tax by another state of the United
7 States in an amount equal to or greater than the amount of the Idaho tax,
8 and evidence can be given of such payment, the property will not be subject
9 to Idaho use tax. If the amount paid the other state was less, the property
10 will be subject to use tax to the extent that the Idaho tax exceeds the tax
11 paid to the other state. For the purposes of this subsection, a registration
12 certificate or title issued by another state or subdivision thereof for a ve-
13 hicle or trailer or a vessel as defined in section 67-7003, Idaho Code, shall
14 be sufficient evidence of payment of a general retail sales or use tax.

15 (11) The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to the use by a
16 nonresident of this state of a motor vehicle registered or licensed under the
17 laws of the state of his residence and not used in this state more than a cu-
18 mulative period of time totaling ninety (90) days in any consecutive twelve
19 (12) months and if none of the buyers listed on the purchase, registration,
20 or title documents are Idaho residents. A nonresident business entity will
21 be held to the same requirements as a nonresident individual to qualify for
22 the exemption provided in this subsection, except that the nonresident busi-
23 ness entity also must not be formed under the laws of the state of Idaho. The
24 use tax herein shall also not apply to any use of a motor vehicle registered
25 or licensed under the laws of the state of residence of a nonresident stu-
26 dent while such nonresident student is enrolled as a full-time student in an
27 institution of postsecondary education that is both physically located in
28 Idaho and recognized as accredited by the state board of education.

29 (12) The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to the use of
30 household goods, personal effects and personally owned vehicles or person-
31 ally owned aircraft by a resident of this state if such articles were ac-
32 quired by such person in another state while a resident of that state and pri-
33 marily for use outside this state and if such use was actual and substantial,
34 but if an article was acquired less than three (3) months prior to the time
35 he entered this state, it will be presumed that the article was acquired for
36 use in this state and that its use outside this state was not actual and sub-
37 stantial. The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to the use of
38 household goods, personal effects, and personally owned vehicles or person-
39 ally owned aircraft by active duty military personnel temporarily assigned
40 in this state and spouses who accompany them if such articles were acquired
41 prior to receipt of orders to transfer to Idaho or three (3) months prior
42 to moving to Idaho, whichever time period is shorter. For purposes of this
43 subsection, "resident" shall be as defined in section 63-3013 or 63-3013A,
44 Idaho Code. For purposes of this subsection, wherever the term "individual"
45 appears in section 63-3013 or 63-3013A, Idaho Code, the term includes a natu-
46 ral person or a grantor trust as described in sections 673 through 678 of the
47 Internal Revenue Code.

48 (13) (a) The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to the stor-
49 age, use, or other consumption of tangible personal property that is or

1 will be incorporated into real property and has been donated to and has
2 become the property of:

3 (i) A nonprofit organization as defined in section 63-36220,
4 Idaho Code;

5 (ii) The state of Idaho; or

6 (iii) Any political subdivision of the state.

7 (b) This exemption applies whether the tangible personal property is
8 incorporated in real property by the donee, a contractor, or subcon-
9 tractor of the donee, or any other person.

10 (14) The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to tastings of
11 food and beverages, including but not limited to wine and beer. For the pur-
12 poses of this subsection, a tasting of wine and beer shall be defined as the
13 maximum serving allowed by state or federal laws for such occasions provided
14 to a potential customer, at no charge, at a location where like or similar
15 beverages are sold. For nonalcoholic beverages and food, a tasting shall be
16 defined as a sample from a unit available for sale at the tasting location.

17 (15) The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to donations
18 of food or beverages, or both, to individuals or nonprofit organizations.
19 For the purposes of this section, "nonprofit organization" means those non-
20 profit entities currently registered with the secretary of state pursuant to
21 section 30-30-102, Idaho Code.

22 (16) The use tax imposed by this section shall not apply to a retailer
23 supplying prepared food or beverages free of charge to its employee when that
24 retailer sells prepared food or beverages in its normal course of business.

25 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
26 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
27 passage and approval, and retroactively to January 1, 2020.