HOUSE BILL No. 6172

November 8, 1990, Introduced by Rep. Pitoniak and referred to the Committee on Taxation.

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1937, entitled as amended

"Use tax act,"

as amended by Act No. 86 of the Public Acts of 1990, being section 205.93 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 3 of Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1937, as amended by Act No. 86 of the Public Acts of 1990, being
- 3 section 205.93 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read
- 4 as follows:
- 5 Sec. 3. (1) There is levied upon and there shall be col-
- 6 lected from every person in this state a specific tax for the
- 7 privilege of using, storing, or consuming tangible personal
- 8 property in this state -, which tax shall be equal to AT THE
- 9 RATE OF 4% of the price of the property, or services specified in

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- 1 section 3a. , and to the tax there THERE shall be added TO THE
- 2 TAX penalties and interest where IF applicable as provided in
- 3 this act. For the purpose of the proper administration of this
- 4 act and to prevent the evasion of the tax, it is presumed that
- 5 tangible personal property purchased shall be subject to the tax
- 6 if brought into the state within 90 days of the purchase date and
- 7 is considered as acquired for storage, use, or other consumption
- 8 in this state.
- 9 (2) The tax imposed by this section for the privilege of
- 10 using, storing, or consuming a vehicle, ORV, mobile home, air-
- 11 craft, snowmobile, or watercraft shall be collected before the
- 12 transfer of the vehicle, ORV, mobile home, aircraft, snowmobile,
- 13 or watercraft, except transfers to a licensed dealer or retailer
- 14 for purposes of resale that arises by reason of a transaction
- 15 made by a person who does not transfer vehicles, ORV's, mobile
- 16 homes, aircraft, snowmobiles, or watercraft in the ordinary
- 17 course of his or her business done in this state. The tax on a
- 18 vehicle, ORV, snowmobile, and watercraft shall be collected by
- 19 the secretary of state before the transfer of the vehicle, ORV,
- 20 snowmobile, or watercraft registration. The tax on a mobile home
- 21 shall be collected by the department of commerce, mobile home
- 22 commission, or its agent before the transfer of the certificate
- 23 of title. The tax on an aircraft shall be collected by the
- 24 department of treasury. Notwithstanding any limitation contained
- 25 in section 2, the price tax base of any vehicle, ORV, mobile
- 26 home, aircraft, snowmobile, or watercraft subject to taxation
- 27 under this act shall be not less than its retail dollar value at

- 1 the time of acquisition thereof as fixed pursuant to rules
- 2 promulgated by the department.
- 3 (3) The following transfers or purchases are not subject to
- 4 use tax:
- 5 (a) When IF the transferee or purchaser is the spouse,
- 6 mother, father, brother, sister, or child of the transferor.
- 7 (b) When IF the transfer is a gift to a beneficiary in the
- 8 administration of an estate.
- 9 (c) -When IF a vehicle, ORV, mobile home, aircraft, snowmo-
- 10 bile, or watercraft that has once been subjected to the Michigan
- 11 sales or use tax is transferred in connection with the organi-
- 12 zation, reorganization, dissolution, or partial liquidation of an
- 13 incorporated or unincorporated business and the beneficial owner-
- 14 ship is not changed.
- (d) When IF an insurance company licensed to conduct busi-
- 16 ness in this state acquires ownership of a late model distressed
- 17 vehicle as defined in section 12a of the Michigan vehicle code,
- 18 Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, being section 257.12a of
- 19 the Michigan Compiled Laws, through payment of damages in
- 20 response to a claim or when IF the person who owned the vehicle
- 21 before the insurance company reacquires ownership from the com-
- 22 pany as part of the settlement of a claim.
- 23 (4) The department may utilize the services, information, or
- 24 records of any other department or agency of the state government
- 25 in the performance of its duties under this act, and other
- 26 departments or agencies of the state government are required to

- 1 furnish those services, information, or records upon the request
 2 of the department.
- 3 (5) FOR TRANSFERS OR PURCHASES UNDER SUBSECTION (3)(A) THE
- 4 SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL REQUIRE AN AFFIDAVIT FROM THE TRANSFEREE
- 5 ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT DESCRIBING THE RELATION-
- 6 SHIP BETWEEN THE TRANSFEROR AND THE TRANSFEREE. THE SECRETARY OF
- 7 STATE SHALL FORWARD A COPY OF THE AFFIDAVIT TO THE DEPARTMENT.