HOUSE BILL No. 5554

December 12, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Bieda and Condino and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 2004 PA 174, entitled "Streamlined sales and use tax administration act," by amending section 25 (MCL 205.825).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 25. (1) A certified service provider is the agent of a
- 2 seller, with whom the certified service provider has contracted for
- 3 the collection and remittance of sales and use taxes. As the
- 4 seller's agent, the certified service provider is liable for sales
- 5 and use tax due to this state on all sales transactions it
 - processes for the seller unless the seller made a material
 - misrepresentation or committed fraud.
 - (2) A seller that uses a certified automated system is
- 9 responsible and is liable to this state for reporting and remitting

10 tax.

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- 1 (3) A CERTIFIED SERVICE PROVIDER OR A SELLER THAT USES A
- 2 CERTIFIED AUTOMATED SYSTEM SHALL BE RELIEVED FROM LIABILITY FOR
- 3 SALES TAX AND USE TAX IF IT RELIED ON THE DEPARTMENT'S
- 4 DETERMINATION THAT THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD FOR
- 5 CERTIFICATION AS A CERTIFIED AUTOMATED SYSTEM UNDER THE AGREEMENT
- 6 ACCURATELY REFLECTED THE TAXABILITY OF THE PRODUCT CATEGORIES
- 7 INCLUDED IN THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM. THE RELIEF FROM LIABILITY UNDER
- 8 THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF A CERTIFIED SERVICE PROVIDER OR A
- 9 SELLER THAT USES A CERTIFIED AUTOMATED SYSTEM HAS INCORRECTLY
- 10 CLASSIFIED AN ITEM OR TRANSACTION INTO A PRODUCT CATEGORY OF THE
- 11 CERTIFIED AUTOMATED SYSTEM.
- 12 (4) AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12(9) OF THE GENERAL SALES TAX ACT,
- 13 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.62, A CERTIFIED SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL BE
- 14 CONSIDERED A SELLER AND SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR RELIEF FROM LIABILITY
- 15 FOR SALES TAX AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12 OF THE GENERAL SALES TAX
- 16 ACT, 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.62.