SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 974

A bill to amend 2004 PA 175, entitled "Streamlined sales and use tax revenue equalization act," by amending sections 3 and 5 (MCL 205.173 and 205.175), section 3 as amended by 2015 PA 177 and section 5 as amended by 2022 PA 24.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Alternative fuel" means that term as defined in section
- 3 151 of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1151.
- 4 (b) "Department" means the department of treasury.
- 5 (c) "Diesel fuel" means that term as defined in section 2 of
- 6 the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1002.
- 7 (d) "Gallon equivalent" means that term as defined in section
- 8 151 of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1151.

- (e) "Gasoline" means that term as defined in section 3 of the
 motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1003.
- **3** (f) "Interstate motor carrier" means a person who operates or
- 4 causes to be operated a qualified commercial motor vehicle on a
- 5 public road or highway in this state and at least 1 other state or
- 6 Canadian province.
- 7 (q) "Motor fuel" means diesel fuel and gasoline.
- 8 (h) "Motor fuel tax act" means the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA
 9 403, MCL 207.1001 to 207.1170.
- 10 (i) (h) "Person" means an individual, firm, partnership, joint
- 11 venture, association, social club fraternal organization, municipal
- 12 or private corporation whether or not organized for profit,
- 13 company, limited liability company, estate, trust receiver,
- 14 trustee, syndicate, the United States, this state, country, or any
- 15 other group or combination acting as a unit, and the plural as well
- 16 as the singular number, unless the intention to give a more limited
- 17 meaning is disclosed by the context.
- 18 (j) (i) "Qualified commercial motor vehicle" means that term
- 19 as defined in section 1 of the motor carrier fuel tax act, 1980 PA
- 20 119, MCL 207.211.
- 21 (k) (j) "Sales tax" means the tax levied under the general
- 22 sales tax act, 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.51 to 205.78.
- 23 (l) (k) "Tax" includes all taxes, interest, or penalties levied
- 24 under this act.
- (m) $\frac{(l)}{(l)}$ "Taxpayer" means a person subject to tax under this
- **26** act.
- 27 (n) (m)—"Use tax" means the tax levied under the use tax act,
- 28 1937 PA 94, MCL 205.91 to 205.111.
- 29 Sec. 5. (1) There—Before June 15, 2022 and after September 15,

- 1 2022, there is levied upon and there shall be collected from every
- 2 person in this state who is an interstate motor carrier a specific
- 3 tax for the privilege of using or consuming motor fuel and
- 4 alternative fuel in a qualified commercial motor vehicle in this
- 5 state.
- 6 (2) For motor fuel upon which the tax imposed under subsection
- 7 (1) applies, the tax shall be imposed at a cents-per-gallon rate
- 8 equal to 6% of the statewide average retail price of a gallon of
- 9 self-serve undyed No. 2 ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel or self-serve
- 10 unleaded regular gasoline, as applicable, rounded down to the
- 11 nearest 1/10 of a cent as determined and certified quarterly by the
- 12 department. This tax on motor fuel used by interstate motor
- 13 carriers in a qualified commercial motor vehicle shall must be
- 14 collected under the international fuel tax agreement. An interstate
- 15 motor carrier is entitled to a credit for 6% of the price of motor
- 16 fuel purchased in this state before June 15, 2022 or after
- 17 September 15, 2022 and used in a qualified commercial motor
- 18 vehicle. This credit shall must be claimed on the returns filed
- 19 under the international fuel tax agreement.
- 20 (3) For alternative fuel upon which the tax imposed under
- 21 subsection (1) applies, the tax shall be imposed at a cents-per-
- 22 gallon rate, or cents-per-gallon equivalent rate, as applicable,
- 23 equal to 6% of the average retail price of a gallon or gallon
- 24 equivalent, as applicable, of the applicable alternative fuel
- 25 rounded down to the nearest 1/10 of a cent as determined and
- 26 certified quarterly by the department. For purposes of this
- 27 subsection, the average retail price is to be based on the
- 28 statewide average price of the particular alternative fuel, as
- 29 determined by the department, unless the department determines that

- 1 a statewide average is not readily available. If a statewide
- 2 average is not readily available, the department may use available
- 3 regional or nationwide average retail pricing information, or when
- 4 regional or nationwide pricing information cannot be readily
- 5 obtained, may use the average retail price applicable to gasoline
- 6 under subsection (2) for compressed natural gas or the average
- 7 retail price applicable to diesel fuel under subsection (2) for all
- 8 other types of alternative fuel, with adjustments as the department
- 9 determines are appropriate to convert gasoline or diesel fuel
- 10 prices to prices for alternative fuel.
- 11 (4) The tax on alternative fuel under subsection (3) used by
- 12 interstate motor carriers in a qualified commercial motor vehicle
- 13 shall must be collected under the international fuel tax agreement.
- 14 An interstate motor carrier is entitled to a credit for 6% of the
- 15 price of alternative fuel purchased in this state before June 15,
- 16 2022 or after September 15, 2022 and used in a qualified commercial
- 17 motor vehicle. This credit shall must be claimed on the returns
- 18 filed under the international fuel tax agreement.
- 19 (5) This section does not apply to an interstate motor carrier
- 20 to the extent that the interstate motor carrier is exempt from the
- 21 requirements of this section under a qualified fuel tax reciprocity
- 22 agreement as that term is defined in section 3 of 1960 PA 124, MCL
- **23** 3.163.
- 24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 25 unless all of the following bills of the 101st Legislature are
- 26 enacted into law:
- 27 (a) Senate Bill No. 972.
- 28 (b) Senate Bill No. 973.