

SENATE BILL NO. 885

May 30, 2024, Introduced by Senators WEBBER and DAMOOSE and referred to the Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection.

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled
"General sales tax act,"
by amending section 4x (MCL 205.54x), as amended by 2009 PA 53.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 4x. (1) ~~A sale to a domestic air carrier of 1 or more of~~
2 ~~the following is exempt from the tax under this act:~~
3 ~~(a) An aircraft that has a maximum certificated takeoff weight~~
4 ~~of at least 6,000 pounds for use solely in the transport of air~~
5 ~~cargo, passengers, or a combination of air cargo and passengers.~~
6 ~~(b) Parts and materials, excluding shop equipment or fuel,~~

1 ~~affixed or to be affixed to an aircraft that has a maximum~~
2 ~~certificated takeoff weight of at least 6,000 pounds for use solely~~
3 ~~in the transport of air cargo, passengers, or a combination of air~~
4 ~~cargo and passengers.~~ **The tax levied under this act does not apply**
5 **to the sale of an aircraft to a domestic air carrier if the**
6 **aircraft has a maximum certificated takeoff weight of at least**
7 **6,000 pounds and is for use solely in the transport of air cargo,**
8 **passengers, or a combination of air cargo and passengers.**

9 (2) The tax levied under this act does not apply to the sale
10 of parts or materials, excluding shop equipment or fuel, affixed or
11 to be affixed to an aircraft. ~~that meets all of the following~~
12 ~~conditions:~~

13 ~~(a) The aircraft leaves this state within 15 days after the~~
14 ~~sooner of the issuance of the final billing or authorized approval~~
15 ~~for final return to service, completion of the maintenance record~~
16 ~~entry, and completion of the test flight and ground test for~~
17 ~~inspection as required under 14 CFR 91.407.~~

18 ~~(b) The aircraft was not based in this state or registered in~~
19 ~~this state before the parts or materials are affixed to the~~
20 ~~aircraft and the aircraft is not based in this state or registered~~
21 ~~in this state after the parts or materials are affixed to the~~
22 ~~aircraft.~~

23 (3) The tax levied under this act does not apply to the sale
24 of an aircraft ~~temporarily~~ located in this state ~~for the purpose of~~
25 ~~a sale and prepurchase evaluation, customization, improvement,~~
26 ~~maintenance, or repair~~ if all of the following conditions are
27 satisfied:

28 (a) The aircraft leaves this state within 15 days after the
29 sale and the completion of any prepurchase evaluation,

1 customization, improvement, maintenance, or repair that is
2 associated with the sale, whichever is later.

3 (b) The aircraft ~~was not based in this state or registered in~~
4 ~~this state before the sale and any prepurchase evaluation,~~
5 ~~customization, improvement, maintenance, or repair that is~~
6 ~~associated with the sale is completed and the aircraft is not based~~
7 in this state or registered in this state after the sale and any
8 prepurchase evaluation, customization, improvement, maintenance, or
9 repair that is associated with the sale is completed.

10 (4) A sale of an aircraft to a person for subsequent lease to
11 a domestic air carrier operating under a certificate issued by the
12 ~~federal aviation administration~~ **Federal Aviation Administration**
13 under 14 CFR **part** 121, for use solely in the regularly scheduled
14 transport of passengers is exempt from the tax under this act.

15 (5) As used in this section:

16 (a) **"Aircraft" means an aerial vehicle that is used in**
17 **aviation, other than an unmanned aerial vehicle.**

18 (b) ~~(a)~~—"Based in this state" means hangared or stored in this
19 state for not less than 10 days in not less than 3 nonconsecutive
20 months during ~~the immediately preceding~~ a 12-month period.

21 (c) ~~(b)~~—"Customization" means any improvement, maintenance, or
22 repair that is performed on an aircraft that is associated with the
23 sale of the aircraft.

24 (d) ~~(e)~~—"Domestic air carrier" is limited to entities engaged
25 primarily in the commercial transport for hire of air cargo,
26 passengers, or a combination of air cargo and passengers as a
27 business activity.

28 (e) ~~(d)~~—"Prepurchase evaluation" means an examination of an
29 aircraft to provide a potential purchaser with information relevant

1 to the potential purchase.

2 **(f)** ~~(e)~~ "Registered in this state" means an aircraft
3 registered with the state transportation department, bureau of
4 aeronautics, or registered with the ~~federal aviation administration~~
5 **Federal Aviation Administration** to an address located in this
6 state.

7 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
8 after the date it is enacted into law.

9 Enacting section 2. It is the intent of the legislature to
10 annually appropriate sufficient funds from the state general fund
11 to the state school aid fund created in section 11 of article IX of
12 the state constitution of 1963 to fully compensate for any loss of
13 revenue to the state school aid fund resulting from the enactment
14 of this amendatory act.