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## COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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# Senate Bill No. 490

(SENATORS HELMICK, MINEAR, DEMPSEY, BARNES, PLYMALE, EDGELL, HUNTER AND UNGER, original sponsors)

[Passed March 11, 2006; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §11-14C-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to motor fuel excise tax; and exempting county aging programs from tax.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §11-14C-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 14C. MOTOR FUEL EXCISE TAX.

## §11-14C-9. Exemptions from tax; claiming refunds of tax.

- 1 (a) Per se exemptions from flat rate component of tax. -
- 2 Sales of motor fuel to the following, or as otherwise stated
- 3 in this subsection, are exempt per se from the flat rate of
- 4 the tax levied by section five of this article and the flat
- 5 rate may not be paid at the rack:

6 (1) All motor fuel exported from this state to any other 7 state or nation: *Provided*, That the supplier collects and 8 remits to the destination state or nation the appropriate amount of tax due on the motor fuel transported to that 9 10 state or nation: Provided, however, That this exemption 11 does not apply to any motor fuel which is transported and 12 delivered outside this state in the motor fuel supply tank 13 of a highway vehicle; 14 (2) Sales of aviation fuel;

15 (3) Sales of dyed special fuel; and

16 (4) Sales of propane.

(b) Per se exemptions from variable component of tax.
- Sales of motor fuel to the following are exempt per se
from the variable component of the tax levied by section
five of this article and the variable component may not be
paid at the rack:

22 All motor fuel exported from this state to any other state 23 or nation: *Provided*, That the supplier collects and remits 24 to the destination state or nation the appropriate amount of tax due on the motor fuel transported to that state or 25 nation: Provided, however, That this exemption does not 26 apply to any motor fuel which is transported and delivered 27 outside this state in the motor fuel supply tank of a 28 29 highway vehicle.

30 (c) Refundable exemptions from flat rate component of 31 tax. - Any person having a right or claim to any of the 32 following exemptions from the flat rate component of the 33 tax levied by section five of this article shall first pay the 34 tax levied by this article and then apply to the Tax Com-35 missioner for a refund:

36 (1) The United States or any agency thereof: *Provided*,
37 That if the United States government, or any agency or
38 instrumentality thereof, does not pay the seller the tax
39 imposed by section five of this article on any purchase of

40 motor fuel, the person selling tax previously paid motor
41 fuel to the United States government, or its agencies or
42 instrumentalities, may then claim a refund of the flat rate
43 component of tax imposed by said section on those sales;
44 (2) Any county government or unit or agency thereof,
45 including a county aging program as defined by the Older
46 Americans Act and designated by the Bureau of Senior

47 Services;

48 (3) Any municipal government or any agency thereof;

49 (4) Any county boards of education;

50 (5) Any urban mass transportation authority created
51 pursuant to the provisions of article twenty-seven, chapter
52 eight of this code;

53 (6) Any municipal, county, state or federal civil defense 54 or emergency service program pursuant to a government 55 contract for use in conjunction therewith, or to any person 56 on whom is imposed a requirement to maintain an inven-57 tory of motor fuel for the purpose of the program: Pro-58 vided, That motor fueling facilities used for these purposes 59 are not capable of fueling motor vehicles and the person in 60 charge of the program has in his or her possession a letter 61 of authority from the Tax Commissioner certifying his or 62 her right to the exemption: Provided, however, That in 63 order for this exemption to apply, motor fuel sold under 64 this subdivision and subdivisions (1) through (5), inclusive, 65 of this subsection shall be used in vehicles or equipment 66 owned and operated by the respective government entity 67 or government agency or authority;

68 (7) All invoiced gallons of motor fuel purchased by a 69 licensed exporter and subsequently exported from this 70 state to any other state or nation: *Provided*, That the 71 exporter has paid the applicable motor fuel tax to the 72 destination state or nation prior to claiming this refund or 73 the exporter has reported to the destination state or nation 74 that the motor fuel was sold in a transaction not subject to

75 tax in that state or nation: Provided, however, That a 76 refund may not be granted on any motor fuel which is transported and delivered outside this state in the motor 77 78 fuel supply tank of a highway vehicle; 79 (8) All gallons of motor fuel used and consumed in 80 stationary off-highway turbine engines; 81 (9) All gallons of special fuel used for heating any public 82 or private dwelling, building or other premises; 83 (10) All gallons of special fuel used for boilers; 84 (11) All gallons of motor fuel used as a dry cleaning solvent or commercial or industrial solvent: 85 86 (12) All gallons of motor fuel used as lubricants, ingredi-87 ents or components of any manufactured product or

88 compound;

89 (13) All gallons of motor fuel sold for use or used as a90 motor fuel for commercial watercraft;

91 (14) All gallons of special fuel sold for use or consumed92 in railroad diesel locomotives;

93 (15) All gallons of motor fuel purchased in quantities of
94 twenty-five gallons or more for use as a motor fuel for
95 internal combustion engines not operated upon highways
96 of this state;

97 (16) All gallons of motor fuel purchased in quantities of twenty-five gallons or more and used to power a power 98 99 take-off unit on a motor vehicle. When a motor vehicle 100 with auxiliary equipment uses motor fuel and there is no 101 auxiliary motor for the equipment or separate tank for a 102 motor, the person claiming the refund may present to the 103 Tax Commissioner a statement of his or her claim and is 104 allowed a refund for motor fuel used in operating a power 105 take-off unit on a cement mixer truck or garbage truck 106 equal to twenty-five percent of the tax levied by this article paid on all motor fuel used in such a truck; 107

(17) Motor fuel used by any person regularly operating 108 109 any vehicle under a certificate of public convenience and 110 necessity or under a contract carrier permit for transporta-111 tion of persons when purchased in an amount of twenty-112 five gallons or more: Provided, That the amount refunded 113 is equal to six cents per gallon: Provided, however, That 114 the gallons of motor fuel have been consumed in the 115 operation of urban and suburban bus lines and the major-116 ity of passengers use the bus for traveling a distance not 117 exceeding forty miles, measured one way, on the same day 118 between their places of abode and their places of work, 119 shopping areas or schools; and

120 (18) All gallons of motor fuel that are not otherwise 121 exempt under subdivisions (1) through (6), inclusive, of 122 this subsection and that are purchased and used by any 123 bona fide volunteer fire department, nonprofit ambulance 124 service or emergency rescue service that has been certified 125 by the municipality or county wherein the bona fide 126 volunteer fire department, nonprofit ambulance service or 127 emergency rescue service is located.

(d) Refundable exemptions from variable rate component
of tax. - Any of the following persons may claim an
exemption from the variable rate component of the tax
levied by section five of this article on the purchase and
use of motor fuel by first paying the tax levied by this
article and then applying to the Tax Commissioner for a
refund.

135 (1) The United States or any agency thereof: *Provided*, 136 That if the United States government, or any agency or 137 instrumentality thereof, does not pay the seller the tax 138 imposed by section five of this article on any purchase of 139 motor fuel, the person selling tax previously paid motor 140 fuel to the United States government, or its agencies or 141 instrumentalities, may then claim a refund of the variable 142 rate of tax imposed by said section on those sales.

143 (2) This state and its institutions;

(3) Any county government or unit or agency thereof,
including a county aging program as defined by the Older
Americans Act and designated by the Bureau of Senior
Services;

148 (4) Any municipal government or any agency thereof;

149 (5) Any county boards of education;

(6) Any urban mass transportation authority created
pursuant to the provisions of article twenty-seven, chapter
eight of this code;

153 (7) Any municipal, county, state or federal civil defense 154 or emergency service program pursuant to a government 155 contract for use in conjunction therewith, or to any person 156 on whom is imposed a requirement to maintain an inven-157 tory of motor fuel for the purpose of the program: Pro-158 vided, That fueling facilities used for these purposes are 159 not capable of fueling motor vehicles and the person in 160 charge of the program has in his or her possession a letter 161 of authority from the Tax Commissioner certifying his or 162 her right to the exemption;

(8) Any bona fide volunteer fire department, nonprofit
ambulance service or emergency rescue service that has
been certified by the municipality or county wherein the
bona fide volunteer fire department, nonprofit ambulance
service or emergency rescue service is located; or

168 (9) All invoiced gallons of motor fuel purchased by a 169 licensed exporter and subsequently exported from this 170 state to any other state or nation: Provided, That the 171 exporter has paid the applicable motor fuel tax to the 172 destination state or nation prior to claiming this refund: 173 *Provided, however*, That a refund may not be granted on any motor fuel which is transported and delivered outside 174 175 this state in the motor fuel supply tank of a highway 176 vehicle.

(e) The provision in subdivision (9), subsection (a),
section nine, article fifteen of this chapter that exempts as
a sale for resale those sales of gasoline and special fuel by
a distributor or importer to another distributor does not
apply to sales of motor fuel under this article.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee

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