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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to an exemption from certain motor fuel taxes for counties 3 in this state. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4 5 SECTION 1. Section 162.104(a), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows: 6 7 (a) The tax imposed by this subchapter does not apply to gasoline: 8 sold to the United States for its exclusive use, 9 (1)provided that the exemption does not apply with respect to fuel sold 10 or delivered to a person operating under a contract with the United 11 12 States; 13 (2) sold to a public school district in this state for the district's exclusive use; 14 15 (2-a) sold to a county in this state for the county's 16 exclusive use; (3) sold to a commercial transportation company or a 17 metropolitan rapid transit authority operating under Chapter 451, 18 Transportation Code, that provides public school transportation 19 20 services to a school district under Section 34.008, Education Code, 21 and that uses the gasoline only to provide those services; 22 exported by either a licensed supplier or a (4) 23 licensed exporter from this state to any other state, provided that the bill of lading indicates the destination state and the supplier 24

1 collects the destination state tax;

(5) moved by truck or railcar between licensed
suppliers or licensed permissive suppliers and in which the
gasoline removed from the first terminal comes to rest in the second
terminal, provided that the removal from the second terminal rack
is subject to the tax imposed by this subchapter;

7 (6) delivered or sold into a storage facility of a 8 licensed aviation fuel dealer from which gasoline will be delivered 9 solely into the fuel supply tanks of aircraft or aircraft servicing 10 equipment, or sold from one licensed aviation fuel dealer to 11 another licensed aviation fuel dealer who will deliver the aviation 12 fuel exclusively into the fuel supply tanks of aircraft or aircraft 13 servicing equipment;

14 (7) exported to a foreign country if the bill of lading 15 or shipping documents indicate the foreign destination and the fuel 16 is actually exported to the foreign country;

17 (8) sold to a volunteer fire department in this state18 for the department's exclusive use;

(9) sold to a nonprofit entity that is organized for the sole purpose of and engages exclusively in providing emergency medical services and that uses the gasoline exclusively to provide emergency medical services, including rescue and ambulance services; or

(10) sold to a nonprofit food bank and delivered into:
(A) the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle with a
gross vehicle weight rating of at least 25,000 pounds that is owned
by the nonprofit food bank and used to deliver food; or

(B) a storage facility from which gasoline will
 be delivered solely into the fuel supply tanks of motor vehicles
 described by Paragraph (A).

4 SECTION 2. Section 162.125, Tax Code, is amended by 5 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (g-3) to read as 6 follows:

7 (a) A license holder may take a credit on a return for the 8 period in which the sale occurred if the license holder paid tax on 9 the purchase of gasoline and subsequently resells the gasoline 10 without collecting the tax to:

(1) the United States government for its exclusive use, provided that a credit is not allowed for gasoline used by a person operating under contract with the United States;

14 (2) a public school district in this state for the15 district's exclusive use;

16 (2-a) a county in this state for the county's exclusive
17 use;

(3) an exporter licensed under this subchapter if the
seller is a licensed supplier or distributor and the exporter
subsequently exports the gasoline to another state;

(4) a licensed aviation fuel dealer if the seller is a
licensed distributor;

(5) a commercial transportation company or a
metropolitan rapid transit authority operating under Chapter 451,
Transportation Code, that provides public school transportation
services to a school district under Section 34.008, Education Code,
and that uses the gasoline exclusively to provide those services;

1 or

2 (6) a nonprofit food bank that delivers or will 3 deliver the gasoline into the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle 4 with a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 25,000 pounds that is 5 owned by the nonprofit food bank and used to deliver food.

6 (g-3) A county exempt from the tax imposed under this 7 subchapter that paid tax on the purchase of gasoline is entitled to 8 a refund of the tax paid, and the county may file a refund claim with 9 the comptroller for that amount.

10 SECTION 3. Section 162.204(a), Tax Code, is amended to read 11 as follows:

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(a) The tax imposed by this subchapter does not apply to:

(1) diesel fuel sold to the United States for its exclusive use, provided that the exemption does not apply to diesel fuel sold or delivered to a person operating under a contract with the United States;

17 (2) diesel fuel sold to a public school district in18 this state for the district's exclusive use;

19 (2-a) diesel fuel sold to a county in this state for 20 the county's exclusive use;

(3) diesel fuel sold to a commercial transportation company or a metropolitan rapid transit authority operating under Chapter 451, Transportation Code, that provides public school transportation services to a school district under Section 34.008, Education Code, and that uses the diesel fuel only to provide those services;

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(4) diesel fuel exported by either a licensed supplier

1 or a licensed exporter from this state to any other state, provided 2 that the bill of lading indicates the destination state and the 3 supplier collects the destination state tax;

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4 (5) diesel fuel moved by truck or railcar between
5 licensed suppliers or licensed permissive suppliers and in which
6 the diesel fuel removed from the first terminal comes to rest in the
7 second terminal, provided that the removal from the second terminal
8 rack is subject to the tax imposed by this subchapter;

9 (6) diesel fuel delivered or sold into a storage 10 facility of a licensed aviation fuel dealer from which the diesel 11 fuel will be delivered solely into the fuel supply tanks of aircraft 12 or aircraft servicing equipment, or sold from one licensed aviation 13 fuel dealer to another licensed aviation fuel dealer who will 14 deliver the diesel fuel exclusively into the fuel supply tanks of 15 aircraft or aircraft servicing equipment;

16 (7) diesel fuel exported to a foreign country if the 17 bill of lading or shipping documents indicate the foreign 18 destination and the fuel is actually exported to the foreign 19 country;

20 (8) dyed diesel fuel sold or delivered by a supplier to 21 another supplier and dyed diesel fuel sold or delivered by a 22 supplier or distributor into the bulk storage facility of a dyed 23 diesel fuel bonded user or to a purchaser who provides a signed 24 statement as provided by Section 162.206;

(9) the volume of water, fuel ethanol, renewable
diesel, biodiesel, or mixtures thereof that are blended together
with taxable diesel fuel when the finished product sold or used is

1 clearly identified on the retail pump, storage tank, and sales 2 invoice as a combination of diesel fuel and water, fuel ethanol, 3 renewable diesel, biodiesel, or mixtures thereof;

4 (10) dyed diesel fuel sold by a supplier or permissive
5 supplier to a distributor, or by a distributor to another
6 distributor;

7 (11) dyed diesel fuel delivered by a license holder 8 into the fuel supply tanks of railway engines, motorboats, or 9 refrigeration units or other stationary equipment powered by a 10 separate motor from a separate fuel supply tank;

(12) dyed kerosene when delivered by a supplier, distributor, or importer into a storage facility at a retail business from which all deliveries are exclusively for heating, cooking, lighting, or similar nonhighway use;

(13) diesel fuel used by a person, other than a political subdivision, who owns, controls, operates, or manages a commercial motor vehicle as defined by Section 548.001, Transportation Code, if the fuel:

(A) is delivered exclusively into the fuel supplytank of the commercial motor vehicle; and

(B) is used exclusively to transport passengers for compensation or hire between points in this state on a fixed route or schedule;

(14) diesel fuel sold to a volunteer fire department
in this state for the department's exclusive use;

26 (15) diesel fuel sold to a nonprofit entity that is 27 organized for the sole purpose of and engages exclusively in

1 providing emergency medical services and that uses the diesel fuel 2 exclusively to provide emergency medical services, including 3 rescue and ambulance services; or

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4 (16) diesel fuel sold to a nonprofit food bank and 5 delivered into:

(A) the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle with a
7 gross vehicle weight rating of at least 25,000 pounds that is owned
8 by the nonprofit food bank and used to deliver food; or

9 (B) a storage facility from which diesel fuel 10 will be delivered solely into the fuel supply tanks of motor 11 vehicles described by Paragraph (A).

12 SECTION 4. Section 162.227, Tax Code, is amended by 13 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (f-3) to read as 14 follows:

15 (a) A license holder may take a credit on a return for the 16 period in which the sale occurred if the license holder paid tax on 17 the purchase of diesel fuel and subsequently resells the diesel 18 fuel without collecting the tax to:

(1) the United States government for its exclusive
use, provided that a credit is not allowed for gasoline used by a
person operating under a contract with the United States;

(2) a public school district in this state for thedistrict's exclusive use;

24 <u>(2-a) a county in this state for the county's exclusive</u>
25 <u>use;</u>

26 (3) an exporter licensed under this subchapter if the27 seller is a licensed supplier or distributor and the exporter

1 subsequently exports the diesel fuel to another state;

2 (4) a licensed aviation fuel dealer if the seller is a
3 licensed distributor;

4 (5) a commercial transportation company or а metropolitan rapid transit authority operating under Chapter 451, 5 Transportation Code, that provides public school transportation 6 services to a school district under Section 34.008, Education Code, 7 8 and that uses the diesel fuel exclusively to provide those services; or 9

10 (6) a nonprofit food bank that delivers or will 11 deliver the diesel fuel into the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle 12 with a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 25,000 pounds that is 13 owned by the nonprofit food bank and used to deliver food.

14 (f-3) A county exempt from the tax imposed under this 15 subchapter that paid tax on the purchase of diesel fuel is entitled 16 to a refund of the tax paid, and the county may file a refund claim 17 with the comptroller for that amount.

SECTION 5. The changes in law made by this Act do not affect tax liability accruing before the effective date of this Act. That liability continues in effect as if this Act had not been enacted, and the former law is continued in effect for the collection of taxes due for civil and criminal enforcement of the liability of those taxes.

24 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect July 1, 2025, if it 25 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each 26 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. 27 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for effect on that

1 date, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.