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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a sales and use tax exemption for certain items sold by
- 3 school booster clubs and support organizations; authorizing a sales
- 4 and use tax exemption.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 151.314(d), Tax Code, is amended to read
- 7 as follows:
- 8 (d) Food products, meals, soft drinks, and candy for human
- 9 consumption are exempted from the taxes imposed by this chapter if:
- 10 (1) served by a public or private school, school
- 11 district, student organization, booster club or other school
- 12 support organization, or parent-teacher association under an
- 13 agreement with the proper school authorities in an elementary or
- 14 secondary school during the regular school day or by a
- 15 parent-teacher association during a fund-raising sale the proceeds
- 16 of which do not benefit an individual;
- 17 (2) sold by a church or at a function of a church;
- 18 (3) served to a patient or inmate of a hospital or
- 19 other institution licensed by the state for the care of humans; [or]
- 20 (4) served to a permanent resident of a retirement
- 21 facility which provides permanent housing and residence to
- 22 individuals, a majority of whom are 60 years or older; or
- 23 (5) sold during an event sponsored or sanctioned by an
- 24 elementary or secondary school or school district at a concession

- 1 stand operated by a booster club or other school support
- 2 organization formed to support the school or school district, but
- 3 only if the proceeds from the sales benefit the school or school
- 4 district.
- 5 SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 151, Tax Code, is amended
- 6 by adding Section 151.3261 to read as follows:
- 7 <u>Sec. 151.3261. SCHOOL SPIRIT MERCHANDISE. (a) In this</u>
- 8 section, "school spirit merchandise" means tangible personal
- 9 property intended to be worn or displayed as a show of support for
- 10 an elementary or secondary school or school district.
- 11 (b) School spirit merchandise sold by a booster club or
- 12 other school support organization formed to support an elementary
- 13 or secondary school or school district is exempted from the taxes
- 14 imposed by this chapter if the proceeds from the sales benefit the
- 15 <u>school or school district and the merchandise is:</u>
- 16 (1) sold under an agreement with the proper school
- 17 authorities in an elementary or secondary school during the regular
- 18 school day; or
- 19 (2) sold during an event sponsored or sanctioned by an
- 20 elementary or secondary school or school district at a stand
- 21 operated by the booster club or other school support organization.
- 22 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act does not
- 23 affect tax liability accruing before the effective date of this
- 24 Act. That liability continues in effect as if this Act had not been
- 25 enacted, and the former law is continued in effect for the
- 26 collection of taxes due and for civil and criminal enforcement of
- 27 the liability for those taxes.

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1 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.