| 1  | State of Arkansas   |               |
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| 2  | 95th General Assembly A Bill  |               |
| 3  | Regular Session, 2025 HOUSE BIL   | L 1671        |
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| 5  | By: Representative L. Johnson   |               |
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| 8  | For An Act To Be Entitled   |               |
| 9  | AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE GROSS RECEIPTS                     |               |
| 10 | TAX; TO CREATE A GENERAL SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION                      |               |
| 11 | FOR SALES TO QUALIFIED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; AND                       |               |
| 12 | FOR OTHER PURPOSES.   |               |
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| 15 | Subtitle  |               |
| 16 | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE GROSS                                     |               |
| 17 | RECEIPTS TAX; AND TO CREATE A GENERAL                                     |               |
| 18 | SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR SALES TO                                  |               |
| 19 | QUALIFIED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.  |               |
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| 21 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:           |               |
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| 23 | SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 52, Subchapter 4, is           |               |
| 24 | amended to add an additional section to read as follows:                  |               |
| 25 | 26-52-457. Sales to qualified nonprofit organization — Definition         | <u>.</u>      |
| 26 | (a) As used in this section, "qualified nonprofit organization" me        | <u>eans</u>   |
| 27 | an organization described in 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3), as it existed on Janu | <u>ıary</u>   |
| 28 | 1, 2025, that:  |               |
| 29 | (1) Has an annual operating budget of less than two hundred               |               |
| 30 | thousand dollars (\$200,000); and   |               |
| 31 | (2) Performs charitable community-based services in the state             | te to         |
| 32 | benefit residents of the state that are in need of assistance.            |               |
| 33 | (b) The gross receipts or gross proceeds derived from the sale of         |               |
| 34 | tangible personal property, specified digital products, a digital code, o | <u>or</u>     |
| 35 | services are exempt from the gross receipts tax levied by this chapter as | <u>nd</u>     |
| 36 | the compensating use tax levied by the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of   | 1949 <b>,</b> |

| 1  | § 26-53-101 et seq., if:  |
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| 2  | (1) The sale is made to a qualified nonprofit organization; and               |
| 3  | (2) The total gross receipts or gross proceeds paid for the item              |
| 4  | or transaction is not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000).               |
| 5  | (c) A nonprofit organization requesting recognition as a qualified            |
| 6  | nonprofit organization shall file with the Secretary of the Department of     |
| 7  | Finance and Administration an application as prescribed by the secretary      |
| 8  | verifying the facts upon which the nonprofit organization claims the          |
| 9  | exemption under this section.   |
| 10 | (d)(1) Upon receipt of an application described in subsection (c) of          |
| 11 | this section, the secretary shall respond in writing within a reasonable time |
| 12 | after the filing of the application either issuing an exemption certificate   |
| 13 | to the qualified nonprofit organization or denying the application.           |
| 14 | (2) If an application is denied, an explanation of the reason                 |
| 15 | for denial shall accompany the denial.  |
| 16 | (3) If the secretary finds that a nonprofit organization no                   |
| 17 | longer meets the conditions to be a qualified nonprofit organization, the     |
| 18 | secretary shall revoke an exemption certificate.                              |
| 19 | (e) The secretary may promulgate rules to implement this section,             |
| 20 | including but not limited to rules regarding:                                 |
| 21 | (1) An application process; and   |
| 22 | (2) A reverification process.   |
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| 24 | SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. Section 1 of this act is effective on the          |
| 25 | first day of the calendar quarter following the effective date of this act.   |
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