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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 338

5 By: Senator Hill  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR  
10 STUDENT FARMERS; TO PROVIDE SALES AND USE TAX  
11 EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES TO BE  
12 USED IN RELATION TO A PROJECT FOR A YOUTH FARMING  
13 PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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17 TO PROVIDE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTIONS  
18 FOR STUDENT FARMERS; AND TO PROVIDE  
19 SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN  
20 PRODUCTS AND SERVICES TO BE USED IN  
21 RELATION TO A PROJECT FOR A YOUTH  
22 FARMING PROGRAM.  
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 52, Subchapter 4, is  
27 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

28 26-52-457. Student farmers.

29 (a) As used in this section:

30 (1) "Student farmer" means an individual under the age of  
31 twenty-three (23) enrolled in a youth farming program; and

32 (2) "Youth farming program" means:

33 (A) A chapter of the Arkansas Division of the Future  
34 Farmers of America or other program in the state established by or affiliated  
35 with the Arkansas Division of the Future Farmers of America or Arkansas FFA  
36 Foundation, Inc.;



1                   (B) A chapter of the Arkansas 4-H program or other program  
2 in the state established by or affiliated with the Arkansas 4-H program or  
3 The Arkansas 4-H Foundation, Incorporated.; or

4                   (C) A student agriculture program in the state similar in  
5 nature to a chapter of the Arkansas Division of the Future Farmers of America  
6 or the Arkansas 4-H program that is under the direction or guidance of an  
7 agricultural educator, advisor, or club leader.

8           (b) There is an exemption from the gross receipts tax levied by this  
9 chapter and the compensating use tax levied by the Arkansas Compensating Tax  
10 Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq., for the gross receipts or gross proceeds  
11 derived from the sale of the following to a student farmer to be used  
12 directly in relation to a project for a youth farming program:

13                   (1) Feed and feed additives for the purpose of sustaining  
14 livestock and poultry;

15                   (2) Livestock and poultry;

16                   (3) Seeds or plants to be used to produce food ordinarily used  
17 for consumption by humans, livestock, or poultry;

18                   (4) Fertilizer to be used to produce food for consumption by  
19 humans, livestock, or poultry;

20                   (5) Medicine and medical supplies necessary for the treatment of  
21 livestock and poultry;

22                   (6) Farm equipment if the student farmer is listed as the owner  
23 of the farm equipment on all documentation that proves ownership; and

24                   (7) Tools, supplies, and equipment necessary to exhibit  
25 livestock or poultry at a livestock show, fair, competition, or convention.

26           (c) There is an exemption from the gross receipts tax levied by this  
27 chapter and the compensating use tax levied by the Arkansas Compensating Tax  
28 Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq., for the gross receipts or gross proceeds  
29 derived from the lease or rental of personal property by a student farmer  
30 used to produce a product as a project for a youth farming program.

31           (d) There is an exemption from the gross receipts tax levied by this  
32 chapter and the compensating use tax levied by the Arkansas Compensating Tax  
33 Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq., for the gross receipts or gross proceeds  
34 derived from furnishing accommodation as described in 26-52-301(3)(A) to a  
35 student farmer or an agricultural educator, advisor, or club leader of a  
36 youth farming program for use while the student farmer is exhibiting at a

1 livestock show, fair, competition, or convention.

2 (e)(1) An individual requesting recognition as a student farmer to  
3 claim an exemption under this section shall file with the Secretary of the  
4 Department of Finance and Administration a statement that:

5 (A) Describes the eligibility of the individual for the  
6 exemption under this section; and

7 (B) Is signed by the individual requesting recognition as  
8 a student farmer and an agricultural educator, advisor, or club leader of the  
9 youth farming program in which the individual is enrolled.

10 (2) After receipt of the statement required under subdivision  
11 (e)(1) of this section, the secretary shall issue an exemption certificate to  
12 the student farmer.

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14 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. Section 1 of this act is effective on the  
15 first day of the calendar quarter following the effective date of this act.

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