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- Introduced by Sen. MAZIARZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Energy and Telecommunications
- AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to clarifying an exemption from sales and compensating use taxes

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (hh) of section 1115 of the tax law, as added 2 by chapter 406 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

3 [(hh)] (II) Receipts from the retail sale of commercial solar energy 4 systems equipment and of the service of installing such systems shall be 5 exempt from taxes imposed by sections eleven hundred five and eleven hundred [eleven] TEN of this article. For the purposes of this subdivi-6 7 sion, "commercial solar energy systems equipment" shall mean an arrange-8 ment or combination of components installed upon non-residential premises that utilize solar radiation to produce energy designed to provide 9 heating, cooling, hot water and/or electricity. Such arrangement or 10 11 components shall not include equipment that is part of a non-solar ener-12 gy system.

13 S 2. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1210 of the tax law, as 14 amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as 15 follows:

16 (1) Either, all of the taxes described in article twenty-eight of this 17 chapter, at the same uniform rate, as to which taxes all provisions of 18 the local laws, ordinances or resolutions imposing such taxes shall be 19 identical, except as to rate and except as otherwise provided, with the corresponding provisions in such article twenty-eight, including the definition and exemption provisions of such article, so far as the 20 21 22 provisions of such article twenty-eight can be made applicable to the 23 taxes imposed by such city or county and with such limitations and 24 special provisions as are set forth in this article. The taxes author-

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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ized under this subdivision may not be imposed by a city or county 1 2 unless the local law, ordinance or resolution imposes such taxes so as 3 to include all portions and all types of receipts, charges or rents, 4 subject to state tax under sections eleven hundred five and eleven 5 hundred ten of this chapter, except as otherwise provided. (i) Any local 6 law, ordinance or resolution enacted by any city of less than one 7 million or by any county or school district, imposing the taxes author-8 ized by this subdivision, shall, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, exclude from the operation of such local taxes all sales 9 10 tangible personal property for use or consumption directly and of 11 predominantly in the production of tangible personal property, gas, electricity, refrigeration or steam, for sale, by manufacturing, proc-12 13 essing, generating, assembly, refining, mining or extracting; and all 14 sales of tangible personal property for use or consumption predominantly 15 either in the production of tangible personal property, for sale, by 16 farming or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both; and, 17 unless such city, county or school district elects otherwise, shall omit 18 the provision for credit or refund contained in clause six of subdivi-19 sion (a) or subdivision (d) of section eleven hundred nineteen of this 20 chapter. (ii) Any local law, ordinance or resolution enacted by any 21 city, county or school district, imposing the taxes authorized by this 22 subdivision, shall omit the residential solar energy systems equipment 23 exemption provided for in subdivision (ee), the commercial solar energy 24 systems equipment exemption provided for in subdivision [(hh)] (II) and 25 the clothing and footwear exemption provided for in paragraph thirty of 26 subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter, unless such city, county or school district elects otherwise as to 27 28 either such residential solar energy systems equipment exemption, such 29 commercial solar energy systems equipment exemption or such clothing and 30 footwear exemption.

31 S 3. Subdivision (p) of section 1210 of the tax law, as added by chap-32 ter 406 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

33 (p) Notwithstanding any other provision of state or local law, ordi-34 nance or resolution to the contrary:

35 (1) Any city having a population of one million or more [in which the taxes imposed by section eleven hundred seven of this chapter are in 36 37 effect, acting through its local legislative body,] is hereby authorized 38 and empowered to elect to provide the same exemptions from such taxes as 39 the commercial solar energy systems equipment exemption from state sales 40 and compensating use taxes described in subdivision [(hh)] (II) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter by enacting a resolution 41 in the form set forth in paragraph two of this subdivision[; whereupon, 42 43 upon compliance with the provisions of subdivisions (d) and (e) of this 44 section, such enactment of such resolution shall be deemed to be an 45 amendment to such section eleven hundred seven and such section eleven hundred seven shall be deemed to incorporate such exemptions as if they 46 47 had been duly enacted by the state legislature and approved by the 48 qovernor].

49 (2) Form of Resolution: Be it enacted by the (insert proper title of 50 local legislative body) as follows:

51 Section one. Receipts from sales of and consideration given or 52 contracted to be given for, or for the use of, property and services 53 exempt from state sales and compensating use taxes pursuant to subdivi-54 sion [(hh)] (II) of section 1115 of the tax law shall also be exempt 55 from sales and compensating use taxes imposed in this jurisdiction.

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Section two. This resolution shall take effect (CHOOSE ONE) January 1, [(insert the year, but not earlier than the year 2012)] 2013 OR SEPTEM-BER 1, (INSERT ANY YEAR AFTER 2012) and shall apply to sales made, services rendered and uses occurring on and after that date in accordance with the applicable transitional provisions in sections 1106, 1216 and 1217 of the New York tax law.

7 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.