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AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to exempting the sale of the first thirty-five thousand dollars of a battery, electric, or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle from state sales and compensating use taxes, and to authorize cities and counties to elect such exemption

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- Section 1. Subdivision (a) of section 1115 of the tax law is amended 2 by adding a new paragraph 47 to read as follows:
- 3 (47) The receipts from the first thirty-five thousand dollars of the
 4 retail sale or lease of a new or used battery, electric, or plug-in
 5 hybrid electric vehicle. For purposes of this paragraph the term
 6 "battery, electric, or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle" means a motor
 7 vehicle, as defined in section one hundred twenty-five of the vehicle
 8 and traffic law, that:
 - (i) has four wheels;

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- 10 (ii) was manufactured for use primarily on public streets, roads and 11 highways;
- 12 (iii) the powertrain of which has not been modified from the original
 13 manufacturer's specifications;
- 14 <u>(iv) is rated at not more than eight thousand five hundred pounds</u> 15 <u>gross vehicle weight;</u>
- 16 <u>(v) has a maximum speed capability of at least fifty-five miles per</u> 17 <u>hour; and</u>

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

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(vi) is propelled at least in part by an electronic motor and associated power electronics which provide acceleration torque to the drive wheels sometime during normal vehicle operation, and that draws electricity from a battery that:

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- (A) has a capacity of not less than four kilowatt hours; and
- 6 (B) is capable of being recharged from an external source of electric-7 ity.
 - § 2. Section 1160 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision (d) to read as follows:
 - (d) The new or used battery, electric, or plug-in hybrid electric vehicles exemption provided for in paragraph forty-seven of subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter shall not apply to or limit the imposition of the tax imposed pursuant to this article.
 - § 3. Subparagraph (ii) of paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1210 of the tax law, as amended by section 5 of part J of chapter 59 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:
- (ii) Any local law, ordinance or resolution enacted by any city, county or school district, imposing the taxes authorized by this subdivision, shall omit the residential solar energy systems equipment and electricity exemption provided for in subdivision (ee), the commercial solar energy systems equipment and electricity exemption provided for in 22 subdivision (ii), the commercial fuel cell electricity generating systems equipment and electricity generated by such equipment exemption 23 provided for in subdivision (kk) $[\frac{and}{2}]_{L}$ the clothing and footwear exemption provided for in paragraph thirty of subdivision (a) of section 24 25 26 eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter, and the battery, electric, or 27 plug-in hybrid electric vehicle exemption provided for in paragraph forty-seven of subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter unless such city, county or school district elects otherwise as such residential solar energy systems equipment and electricity exemption, such commercial solar energy systems equipment and electricity exemption, commercial fuel cell electricity generating systems equipment and electricity generated by such equipment exemption [ex], 34 such clothing and footwear exemption, or such battery, electric, or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle exemption provided for in paragraph 35 forty-seven of subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter.
 - § 4. Paragraph 47 of subdivision (a) of section 1115 of the tax law, as added by section one of this act, is amended to read as follows:
 - (47) The receipts from the first thirty-five thousand dollars of the retail sale or lease of a new or used battery[$_{7}$] or electric[$_{7}$ or plugin hybrid electric] vehicle. For purposes of this paragraph the term "battery[7] or electric[7 or plug in hybrid electric] vehicle" means a motor vehicle, as defined in section one hundred twenty-five of vehicle and traffic law, that:
 - (i) has four wheels;
- 47 (ii) was manufactured for use primarily on public streets, roads and 48
- 49 (iii) the powertrain of which has not been modified from the original 50 manufacturer's specifications;
- 51 (iv) is rated at not more than eight thousand five hundred pounds 52 gross vehicle weight;
- 53 (v) has a maximum speed capability of at least fifty-five miles per 54 hour; and
- 55 (vi) is propelled [at least in part] by an electronic motor and asso-56 ciated power electronics which provide acceleration torque to the drive

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wheels sometime during normal vehicle operation, and that draws electricity from a battery that:

- (A) has a capacity of not less than four kilowatt hours; and
- 4 (B) is capable of being recharged from an external source of electric-5 ity.
 - § 5. Subdivision (d) of section 1160 of the tax law, as added by section two of this act, is amended to read as follows:
 - (d) The new or used battery[7] or electric[7 or plug-in hybrid electric] vehicles exemption provided for in paragraph forty-seven of subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this chapter shall not apply to or limit the imposition of the tax imposed pursuant to this article.
 - § 6. Subparagraph (ii) of paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1210 of the tax law, as amended by section three of this act, is amended to read as follows:
- (ii) Any local law, ordinance or resolution enacted by any city, county or school district, imposing the taxes authorized by this subdivision, shall omit the residential solar energy systems equipment and 18 electricity exemption provided for in subdivision (ee), the commercial 19 20 solar energy systems equipment and electricity exemption provided for in 21 subdivision (ii), the commercial fuel cell electricity generating 22 systems equipment and electricity generated by such equipment exemption provided for in subdivision (kk), the clothing and footwear exemption 23 provided for in paragraph thirty of subdivision (a) of section eleven 24 hundred fifteen of this chapter, and the battery[7] or electric[7 or 25 26 plug-in hybrid electric wehicle exemption provided for in paragraph 27 forty-seven of subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this 28 chapter unless such city, county or school district elects otherwise as to such residential solar energy systems equipment and electricity 29 30 exemption, such commercial solar energy systems equipment and electric-31 ity exemption, commercial fuel cell electricity generating systems 32 equipment and electricity generated by such equipment exemption, such 33 clothing and footwear exemption, or such battery[7] or electric[7 or 34 plug-in hybrid electric | vehicle exemption provided for in paragraph forty-seven of subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred fifteen of this 35 36 chapter.
- 37 § 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of a sales tax quarterly period, as described in subdivision (b) of section 1136 of the tax law, beginning at least one hundred twenty days after the date this act 39 shall have become a law and shall apply to sales made on or after such 40 date; provided, however, that sections four, five and six of this act 41 shall take effect ten years after such effective date and shall apply to 42 sales made on and after such date.