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SENATE BILL NO. 243

BY SENATOR REESE

TAX EXEMPTIONS. Provides relative to the sales and use tax exemption for the sale of certain prescription drugs. (gov sig)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.2(B)(1), relative to state and local sales tax exemptions;
3	to provide relative to the sales tax exemption for the sale of certain prescription
4	drugs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 47:305.2(B)(1) is amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§305.2. Exemption; medical
8	* * *
9	B. The following items shall be exempt from the sales and use tax imposed
10	by any taxing authority:
11	(1) The sale of prescription drugs pursuant to individuals enrolled in the
12	Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program under Title XXI of the Social
13	Security Act and the pharmaceutical vendor program for or enrolled in any
14	Louisiana Medicaid program under Title XIX of the Social Security Act as
15	administered by the Louisiana Department of Health.
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17	Section 2. The provisions of Section 1 of this Act are interpretive and not

substantive; they do not change the law or establish new rules, rights, or duties to any person.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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<u>Present law</u> authorizes a state and local sales and use tax exemption for the sale of prescription drugs pursuant to Title XXI of the Social Security Act and the pharmaceutical vendor program for Title XIX of the Social Security Act as administered by the Louisiana Department of Health.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but clarifies that sale of prescription drugs to an individual enrolled in any Louisiana Children's Health Insurance under Title XXI of the Social Security Act or enrolled in any Louisiana Medicaid program under Title XIX of the Social Security Act is exempt from state and local sales and use taxes.

<u>Proposed law</u> is interpretative and not substantive; it does not change the law or establish new rules, rights, or duties to any person.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 47:305.2(B)(1))