DIGEST

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Edwards

HB No. 418

Abstract: For purposes of the existing state and local sales and use tax exemption for sales occurring at events sponsored by nonprofit organizations, requires that the exemption certificate be obtained annually.

<u>Present law</u> provides an exemption from state and local sales and use tax on sales occurring at events sponsored by nonprofit domestic, civic, educational, historical, charitable, fraternal, or religious organizations. <u>Present law</u> requires that an exemption certificate be obtained from the secretary of the Dept. of Revenue in order for any such organization to qualify for the tax exemption.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires that the exemption certificate be obtained annually. Further, <u>proposed law</u> provides that the Dept. of Revenue may review transactions from any event held pursuant to the authority granted by an exemption certificate.

(Amends R.S. 47:305.14(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to the original bill.

- 1. Deletes provisions authorizing qualification for the sales and use tax exemption for one event per quarter without the necessity of obtaining an exemption certificate.
- 2. Adds the requirement for an annual exemption certificate, and also provides that the Dept. of Revenue may review transactions from events held pursuant to an exemption certificate.