

New law provides for automatic renewals of sales tax exemption certificates for Direct Pay Numbers (R.S. 47:303.1), Sales for Resale by "dealers" (of tangible personal property for resale, R.S. 47:301(10)(a)(i), or sales of services for resale, R.S. 47:301(10)(a)(ii)), and Purchases of Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment (R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(i), 47:301(13)(k)(i), and 47:301(28)(a)) for a period of up to three years. Requires that the Department of Revenue [DOR] notify a qualifying taxpayer of its determination as to whether the certificates will be automatically renewed or whether the taxpayer is denied renewal and must reapply.

Provides that the exemption certificate and the resale certificate must be renewed without having to reapply unless the department determines that the taxpayer is no longer qualified for the exemption and DOR may suspend a taxpayer's exemption certificate or resale certificate if the taxpayer is no longer qualified as a manufacturer or as a dealer, respectively, or has become delinquent in its sales tax payment or filing responsibilities.

New law requires DOR to promulgate rules and regulations regarding its criteria for determining a taxpayer's ability to renew a sales tax exemption certificate without reapplying.

Effective January 1, 2014.

(Adds R.S. 47:13)