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H.B. No. 2844

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the application of the sales and use tax to the lease or rental to a full service event business of certain tangible personal property.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 151.006, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) A sale for resale includes the lease or rental of reusable tangible personal property to a full service event business if the full service event business uses the property in a sale of a taxable item. In this subsection, "full service event business" means a person engaged in the business of preparing and serving meals, drinks, or other food products for events held at locations designated by customers who also provides at least one of the following for those events:

(1) staff;

(2) rentals of tangible personal property;

(3) design elements; or

(4) floral items.

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act do not affect tax liability accruing before the effective date of this Act. That liability continues in effect as if this Act had not been enacted, and the former law is continued in effect for the collection of taxes due and for civil and criminal enforcement of the liability

1 for those taxes.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.