

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1455  
(Representatives O'Brien, Hagert, Monson, Roers Jones, Schauer, Schreiber-Beck)  
(Senators Kreun, Patten, J. Roers, Wanzek)

AN ACT to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 3 of section 54-35-26, a new section to chapter 57-39.2, and a new subdivision to subsection 3 of section 57-40.2-03.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to evaluation of economic development tax incentives and a sales and use tax exemption for raw materials, single-use product contact systems, and reagents used for biologic manufacturing; to provide for a legislative management report; to provide an effective date; and to provide an expiration date.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1.** A new subdivision to subsection 3 of section 54-35-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Sales and use tax exemption for raw materials, single-use product contact systems, and reagents used for biologic manufacturing.

**SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 57-39.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Sales tax exemption for raw materials, single-use product contact systems, and reagents used for biologic manufacturing - Report.**

1. Gross receipts from sales of raw materials, single-use product contact systems, and reagents used directly for discovery, testing, screening, and production for biologic manufacturing in this state are exempt from taxes under this chapter.
2. To receive the exemption at the time of purchase, the taxpayer must receive from the tax commissioner a certificate that the raw materials, single-use product contact systems, or reagents qualify for the exemption.
3. For purposes of this section:
  - a. "Biologic manufacturing" means the manufacturing process used to support biologic product discovery, development, generation, product impurity removal, chemical or physical product alteration, and analysis of in-process products to final deliverable products which occurs exclusively within this state.
  - b. "Single-use product contact systems" means tubing, capsule filters, ion exchange membrane chromatography devices, mixers, bioreactors, sterile fluid containment bags, connection devices, and sampling receptacles.
4. a. By April first of each year, each taxpayer that received the exemption under this section in the preceding calendar year shall file with the tax commissioner, on forms and in the manner prescribed by the tax commissioner, a report showing for the calendar year preceding the reporting deadline in this subdivision, the taxpayer's:
  - (1) Total sales and use tax liability exempted under this section;
  - (2) Total gross payroll;
  - (3) Total property taxes paid and square footage of buildings owned by the taxpayer;

- (4) Total North Dakota workforce safety and insurance premiums paid;
  - (5) North Dakota unemployment taxes paid; and
  - (6) Total state income tax withheld by the taxpayer.
- b. Failure to file the report required under subdivision a is cause to disallow the exemption due to noncompliance. The tax commissioner shall provide notice of the disallowed exemption to the taxpayer and assess any sales and use tax due. An assessment of tax made under this subsection is final and irrevocably fixed.
- c. By June first of each year, the tax commissioner shall submit to the legislative management a written report summarizing the information received under subdivision a, including a comparison of information received in the current calendar year with data received in the preceding calendar year.

**SECTION 3.** A new subdivision to subsection 3 of section 57-40.2-03.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Raw materials, single-use product contact systems, and reagents used for biologic manufacturing as authorized or approved for exemption by the tax commissioner under section 2 of this Act.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE - EXPIRATION DATE.** Sections 2 and 3 of this Act are effective for taxable events occurring after June 30, 2023, and before July 1, 2029, and are thereafter ineffective.

Dennis Johnson  
Speaker of the House

Tammy Miller  
President of the Senate

Bull J. Reich  
Chief Clerk of the House

Manda Meyer  
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1455.

House Vote:      Yeas 64                  Nays 27                  Absent 3

Senate Vote:      Yeas 42                  Nays 5                  Absent 0

Bull J. Reich  
Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at 10:54 AM on April 26, 2023.

Doug Burgum  
Governor

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at 11:50 o'clock A M.

Michael Howe  
Secretary of State