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**HOUSE BILL 12-1037**

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**(None),**

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**House Committees**

Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources  
Finance

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE SALES OF CERTAIN ITEMS**  
102 **USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AS WHOLESALE SALES.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The bill classifies the sales of certain agricultural items as wholesale sales rather than retail sales. The effect of such a classification is that the following sales will not be subject to sales tax:

- ! Sales of agricultural compounds to be consumed by, administered to, or otherwise used in caring for livestock;

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

- ! Sales of semen for agricultural or ranching purposes; and
- ! Sales of pesticides that are registered by the commissioner of agriculture for use in the production of agricultural and livestock products.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 29-2-105, **amend** (1)

3 (d) (I) (H) as follows:

4 **29-2-105. Contents of sales tax ordinances and proposals -**

5 **repeal.** (1) The sales tax ordinance or proposal of any incorporated town,

6 city, or county adopted pursuant to this article shall be imposed on the

7 sale of tangible personal property at retail or the furnishing of services,

8 as provided in paragraph (d) of this subsection (1). Any countywide or

9 incorporated town or city sales tax ordinance or proposal shall include the

10 following provisions:

11 (d) (I) A provision that the sale of tangible personal property and

12 services taxable pursuant to this article shall be the same as the sale of

13 tangible personal property and services taxable pursuant to section

14 39-26-104, C.R.S., except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (d).

15 The sale of tangible personal property and services taxable pursuant to

16 this article shall be subject to the same sales tax exemptions as those

17 specified in part 7 of article 26 of title 39, C.R.S.; except that the sale of

18 the following may be exempted from a town, city, or county sales tax only

19 by the express inclusion of the exemption either at the time of adoption

20 of the initial sales tax ordinance or resolution or by amendment thereto:

21 (H) BEFORE JULY 1, 2012, the exemption for sales of pesticides

22 specified in section 39-26-716 (2) (e), C.R.S. THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH

23 (H) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013.

1           **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-26-102, **amend**  
2 (19) as follows:

3           **39-26-102. Definitions - repeal.** As used in this article, unless the  
4 context otherwise requires:

5           (19) (a) "Wholesale sale" means a sale by wholesalers to retail  
6 merchants, jobbers, dealers, or other wholesalers for resale and does not  
7 include a sale by wholesalers to users or consumers not for resale, and the  
8 latter sales shall be deemed retail sales and subject to the provisions of  
9 this article.

10           (b) ~~This term~~ "WHOLESALE SALE" includes sales of all pre-press  
11 preparation printing materials, as defined ~~by~~ IN subsection (6.7) of this  
12 section, ~~which~~ THAT are used by a printer for a specific printing contract  
13 where the printed product is sold at retail to a customer accepting delivery  
14 within this state.

15           (c) (I) "WHOLESALE SALE" INCLUDES SALES OF AGRICULTURAL  
16 COMPOUNDS AND SPRAY ADJUVANTS TO BE CONSUMED BY, ADMINISTERED  
17 TO, OR OTHERWISE USED IN CARING FOR LIVESTOCK AND ALL SALES OF  
18 SEMEN FOR AGRICULTURAL OR RANCHING PURPOSES.

19           (II) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c), "AGRICULTURAL  
20 COMPOUNDS" MEANS:

21           (A) INSECTICIDES, FUNGICIDES, GROWTH-REGULATING CHEMICALS,  
22 ENHANCING COMPOUNDS, VACCINES, AND HORMONES;

23           (B) DRUGS, WHETHER DISPENSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A  
24 PRESCRIPTION OR NOT, THAT ARE USED FOR THE PREVENTION OR  
25 TREATMENT OF DISEASE OR INJURY IN LIVESTOCK;

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27           (C) ANIMAL PHARMACEUTICALS THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY

1 THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.

2 (III) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c), "SPRAY ADJUVANTS"  
3 MEANS PRODUCTS THAT ARE USED TO INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF A  
4 PESTICIDE.

5 (d) "WHOLESALE SALE" INCLUDES SALES OF PESTICIDES THAT ARE  
6 REGISTERED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE FOR USE IN THE  
7 PRODUCTION OF AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS PURSUANT TO  
8 THE "PESTICIDE ACT", ARTICLE 9 OF TITLE 35, C.R.S., AND OFFERED FOR  
9 SALE BY DEALERS LICENSED TO SELL SUCH PESTICIDES PURSUANT TO  
10 SECTION 35-9-115, C.R.S.

11 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-26-716, **amend**  
12 (2) (d), (2) (e), (3) (d), and (3) (e) as follows:

13 **39-26-716. Agriculture and livestock - special fuels -**  
14 **definitions - repeal.** (2) The following shall be exempt from taxation  
15 under the provisions of part 1 of this article:

16 (d) (I) BEFORE JULY 1, 2012, all sales and purchases of  
17 agricultural compounds to be consumed by, administered to, or otherwise  
18 used in caring for livestock and all sales and purchases of semen for  
19 agricultural or ranching purposes. ~~and~~

20 (II) THIS PARAGRAPH (d) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013.

21 (e) (I) BEFORE JULY 1, 2012, all sales and purchases of pesticides  
22 that are registered by the commissioner of agriculture for use in the  
23 production of agricultural and livestock products pursuant to the  
24 provisions of the "Pesticide Act", article 9 of title 35, C.R.S., and offered  
25 for sale by dealers licensed to sell such pesticides pursuant to section  
26 35-9-115, C.R.S.

27 (II) THIS PARAGRAPH (e) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013.

1           (3) The following shall be exempt from taxation under the  
2 provisions of part 2 of this article:

3           (d) (I) BEFORE JULY 1, 2012, the storage, use, or consumption of  
4 agricultural compounds to be consumed by, administered to, or otherwise  
5 used in caring for livestock and semen used for agricultural or ranching  
6 purposes. ~~and~~

7           (II) THIS PARAGRAPH (d) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013.

8           (e) (I) BEFORE JULY 1, 2012, the storage, use, or consumption of  
9 pesticides that are registered by the commissioner of agriculture for use  
10 in the production of agricultural and livestock products pursuant to the  
11 provisions of the "Pesticide Act", article 9 of title 35, C.R.S., and offered  
12 for sale by dealers licensed to sell such pesticides pursuant to section  
13 35-9-115, C.R.S.

14           (II) THIS PARAGRAPH (e) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013.

15           **SECTION 4. Effective date.** This act takes effect upon passage;  
16 except that section 2 of this act takes effect July 1, 2012.

17           **SECTION 5. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
18 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
19 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.