

By: Senator(s) Blackwell

To: Finance

SENATE BILL NO. 2026

1 AN ACT TO PHASE IN AN AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION ON ALL
2 COMMODITIES, PRODUCTS, GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE HELD FOR
3 RESALE BY ANY SMALL BUSINESS WITH AN ANNUAL NET REVENUE OF LESS
4 THAN \$2,000,000.00; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section, the term "small
7 business" means any commercial enterprise with an annual net
8 revenue of less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00).

9 (2) From and after January 1, 2024, through December 31,
10 2024, twenty percent (20%) of the assessed value of all
11 commodities, products, goods, wares and merchandise held for
12 resale by any small business shall be exempt from ad valorem
13 taxation.

14 (3) From and after January 1, 2025, through December 31,
15 2025, forty percent (40%) of the assessed value of all
16 commodities, products, goods, wares and merchandise held for
17 resale by any small business shall be exempt from ad valorem
18 taxation.



19 (4) From and after January 1, 2026, through December 31,
20 2026, sixty percent (60%) of the assessed value of all
21 commodities, products, goods, wares and merchandise held for
22 resale by any small business shall be exempt from ad valorem
23 taxation.

24 (5) From and after January 1, 2027, through December 31,
25 2027, eighty percent (80%) of the assessed value of all
26 commodities, products, goods, wares and merchandise held for
27 resale by any small business shall be exempt from ad valorem
28 taxation.

29 (6) From and after January 1, 2028, all commodities,
30 products, goods, wares and merchandise held for resale by any
31 small business shall be exempt from ad valorem taxation.

32 **SECTION 2.** Nothing in this act shall affect or defeat any
33 claim, assessment, appeal, suit, right or cause of action for
34 taxes due or accrued under the ad valorem tax laws before the date
35 on which this act becomes effective or before the date an increase
36 in the exemption authorized by this act becomes effective, whether
37 such claims, assessments, appeals, suits or actions have been
38 begun before the date on which this act or an increase in the
39 exemption authorized by this act becomes effective or are begun
40 thereafter; and the provisions of the ad valorem tax laws are
41 expressly continued in full force, effect and operation for the
42 purpose of the assessment, collection and enrollment of liens for
43 any taxes due or accrued and the execution of any warrant under



44 such laws before the date on which this act becomes effective or
45 any increase in the exemption authorized by this act becomes
46 effective and for the imposition of any penalties, forfeitures or
47 claims for failure to comply with such laws.

48 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
49 and after July 1, 2023.

