HOUSE FILE 2635 BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 681)

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the sales tax exemption for the purchase
 of central office equipment or transmission equipment
 used by certain entities primarily in the furnishing of
 telecommunications services on a commercial basis.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 423.3, subsection 47A, paragraph a, Code
2 2024, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. The sales price from the sale of central office equipment 4 or transmission equipment primarily used by local exchange 5 carriers and competitive local exchange service providers; 6 by franchised cable television operators, mutual companies, 7 municipal utilities, cooperatives, and companies furnishing 8 communications services that are not subject to rate regulation 9 as provided in chapter 476; by long distance companies as 10 defined in section 477.10; or for a commercial mobile radio 11 service as defined in 47 C.F.R. §20.3 in the furnishing of 12 telecommunications services on a commercial basis.

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14 15 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

EXPLANATION

the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

16 This bill relates to the sales tax exemption for the purchase 17 of central office equipment or transmission equipment used 18 by certain entities in the furnishing of telecommunications 19 services on a commercial basis.

The bill expands the sales tax exemption for the purchase of central office equipment or transmission equipment by striking the term "primarily" and making all such purchases used in the furnishing of telecommunications services exempt from sales tax.

25 Code section 423.3(47A) defines the terms "central office 26 equipment" and "transmission equipment".

By operation of Code section 423.6, an item exempt from the mposition of the sales tax is also exempt from the use tax imposed in Code section 423.5.

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