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HOUSE BILL 971

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 6,
relative to sales and use tax.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 3, is amended by
adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section ___. There shall be exempt from any tax imposed by Title 67, Chapter 6,
the sale of any food or necessities. As used in this section, the term "food" has the
same meaning as in the Food Stamp Act of 1977, 7 U.S.C. 2012, as amended, and
federal regulations adopted pursuant to that act. As used in this section, the term
"necessities" means any item declared to be a necessity by regulation of the department
of human services.

SECTION 2. The departments of revenue and human services are authorized to
promulgate, in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter
5, such rules as shall be necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999, the public welfare requiring it.