

**Subject** Sales and use tax exemption for land clearing equipment modified

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## Overview

Under current law, certain materials used in providing taxable services are exempt from sales tax, including detachable accessories and tools used in gardening, landscaping, and lawn care. This bill removes the exemption for these products, thus making them taxable.

Also under current law, most landscaping services are taxable, but land clearing services for tree, brush, shrub, and stump removal are exempt when sold to contractors or subcontractors as part of a land clearing contract. This bill expands the definition of “land clearing contract” to include root and stump removal on portions of land that will be used to remodel, improve, or expand an existing structure, thus making this portion of the service tax exempt.

## Summary

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1	<b>Materials used in providing certain taxable services.</b>
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Excludes accessories, tools, equipment, and other detachable units (such as chainsaw chains and lawn mower blades) when used in landscaping, gardening, or lawn care services from the exemption for materials used in providing taxable services, thereby making these items taxable.

Effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2025.

2	<b>Land clearing.</b>
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Expands the definition of “land clearing contract” to mean a contract for the removal of trees, bushes, and shrubs, including stump and root removal, to develop a portion of a side to allow for remodeling, improvement, or expansion of an existing structure.

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