container]; or

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- 6. milk, including ice cream; and
- 7. sugar.
- (iii) "Food" does not include:
  - 1. an alcoholic beverage as defined in § 5–101 of this article;
  - 2. a soft drink or carbonated beverage [sold in an unopened
    - 3. candy or confectionery.
- (4) "Premises" includes any building, grounds, parking lot, or other area that:
  - (i) a food vendor owns or controls; or
- (ii) another person makes available primarily for the use of the patrons of 1 or more food vendors.
- (5) "SUBSTANTIAL GROCERY OR MARKET BUSINESS" MEANS A BUSINESS AT WHICH AT LEAST 10% OF ALL SALES OF FOOD ARE SALES OF GROCERY OR MARKET FOOD ITEMS, NOT INCLUDING FOOD NORMALLY CONSUMED ON THE PREMISES EVEN THOUGH IT IS PACKAGED TO CARRY OUT.
- (b) The sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of food stamp eligible food, as defined in 7 U.S.C. § 2012, bought with a food coupon issued in accordance with 7 U.S.C. § 2016.
  - [(c) The sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of food for less than \$1.
- (d) (1)] (C) Except [as otherwise provided in this subsection] FOR FOOD THAT THE VENDOR SERVES FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES OF THE BUYER OR OF A THIRD PARTY, the sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of food[:
- (i) by a food vendor who provides no facilities for food consumption on the premises; or
  - (ii)] for consumption off the premises [where sold] by a food vendor who [:
    - <u>1.</u> provides facilities for food consumption on the premises; and
- 2.] operates a substantial grocery or market business at the same location where the food is sold.
- [(2) The exemptions under paragraph (1) of this subsection do not apply to a sale, by a food vendor, of food:
  - (i) within an enclosure for which a charge is made for admission;
- (ii) that the vendor serves for consumption on the premises of the buyer or of a third party; or