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## Overview

Provides a vendor allowance of between 0.75 and 2.0 percent of sales taxes during a reporting period to all retailers who report and remit taxes in a timely fashion. The rate is dependent on a retailer's annual sales in the fiscal year ending six months before the start of the calendar year in which the tax is remitted.

Effective for taxes collected after June 30, 2017.

#### **Section**

- 1 Sales and use tax. Makes conforming language changes to indicate that the tax liability is the net of the vendor allowance in section 3.
- **Tax must be remitted.** Allows a retailer to keep a portion of the sales tax collected equal to the vendor allowance calculated under section 3.
- Wendor allowance. Provides a vendor allowance for all retailers that report and remit sales taxes of between 0.75 and 2.0 percent with a minimum allowance per reporting period.
  - **Subd. 1. Eligibility.** Limits the vendor allowance to retailers that report and remit sales taxes in a timely fashion.
  - **Subd. 2. Tax not eligible for allowance.** The allowance does not apply to use tax owed on the sellers own purchases.
  - **Subd. 3. Calculation of allowance.** The percent of sales tax collection that a retailer may retain in a reporting period is:

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- ▶ 2.0 percent if their annual sales tax liability is less than \$60,000 in the previous fiscal year;
- ▶ 1.0 percent if their annual sales tax liability is between \$60,000 and \$600,000 in the previous fiscal year; and
- ▶ 0.75 percent if their annual sales tax liability is greater than \$600,000 in the previous fiscal year.

The minimum amount a retailer may retain in any reporting period is the lesser of \$10 or the amount of sales taxes collected during the reporting period.