

79-201j. Property exempt from taxation; farm machinery and equipment; aquaculture machinery and equipment; Christmas tree machinery and equipment. The following described property, to the extent specified by this section, shall be exempt from all property or ad valorem taxes levied under the laws of the state of Kansas:

(a) All farm machinery and equipment. The term "farm machinery and equipment" means that personal property actually and regularly used in any farming or ranching operation. The term "farm machinery and equipment" shall include: (1) Machinery and equipment comprising a natural gas distribution system which is owned and operated by a nonprofit public utility described by K.S.A. 66-104c, and amendments thereto, and which is operated predominantly for the purpose of providing fuel for the irrigation of land devoted to agricultural use; (2) any bed, body or box that is attached to a motor vehicle and is actually and regularly used in any farming or ranching operation, except for a bed, body or box that is attached to the motor vehicle by the motor vehicle manufacturer; and (3) any greenhouse which is not permanently affixed to real estate and which is used for a farming or ranching operation. The term "farming or ranching operation" shall include the operation of a feedlot, the performing of farm or ranch work for hire and the planting, cultivating and harvesting of nursery or greenhouse products, or both, for sale or resale. The term "farm machinery and equipment" shall not include any passenger vehicle, truck, truck tractor, trailer, semitrailer or pole trailer, other than a farm trailer, as the terms are defined by K.S.A. 8-126, and amendments thereto.

The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all taxable years commencing after December 31, 2007.

(b) (1) All aquaculture machinery and equipment. The term "aquaculture machinery and equipment" means that personal property actually and regularly used in any aquaculture operation. The term "aquaculture operation" shall include the feeding out of aquatic plants and animals; breeding, growing or rearing aquatic plants and animals; and selling or transporting aquatic plants and animals. The term "aquaculture machinery and equipment" shall not include any passenger vehicle, truck, truck tractor, trailer, semitrailer or pole trailer.

(2) All Christmas tree machinery and equipment. The term "Christmas tree machinery and equipment" means that personal property actually and regularly used in any Christmas tree operation. The term "Christmas tree operation" shall include the planting, cultivating and harvesting of Christmas trees; and selling or transporting Christmas trees. The term "Christmas tree machinery and equipment" shall not include any passenger vehicle, truck, truck tractor, trailer, semitrailer or pole trailer.

The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1992.

History: L. 1982, ch. 390, § 3; L. 1985, ch. 311, § 4; L. 1992, ch. 102, § 4; L. 1997, ch. 122, § 1; L. 1999, ch. 126, § 2; L. 2000, ch. 139, § 4; L. 2008, ch. 182, § 16; July 1.