

# Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board

## 2026 Annual State Compliance Reviews Summary

### States With No Compliance Issues Identified:

|              |              |            |                |              |               |           |
|--------------|--------------|------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| Arkansas     | Indiana      | Iowa       | Kansas         | Kentucky     | Michigan      | Minnesota |
| Nebraska     | Nevada       | New Jersey | North Carolina | North Dakota | Ohio          | Oklahoma  |
| Rhode Island | South Dakota | Utah       | Vermont        | Washington   | West Virginia | Wisconsin |
| Wyoming      |              |            |                |              |               |           |

### States With Potential Compliance Issues Identified:

Georgia

### Associate Member States with Issues Identified but Which Don't Affect Associate State Membership Compliance:

Tennessee

| Georgia                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                     |                 |                          |                      |               |               |
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| Statement of the issues                                                                                                                                                                   | SSUTA section and/or rule reference | State authority | State's written comments | BAC/ public comments | Staff Comment | CRIC decision |
| <b>2026 Issue 1: Administration of exemptions</b>                                                                                                                                         |                                     |                 |                          |                      |               |               |
| The state has been declared out of compliance since 2013 because effective March 5, 2013, sellers are required to exercise good faith when accepting exemption documents from purchasers. | SSUTA Section 317                   | 48-8-38         |                          |                      |               |               |
| <b>2026 Issue 2: Acceptance of the SER</b>                                                                                                                                                |                                     |                 |                          |                      |               |               |
| The state has been declared out of compliance since 2013 because the state does not accept the SER from all sellers.                                                                      | SSUTA Section 318                   | 48-8-39         |                          |                      |               |               |
| <b>2026 Issue 3: Caps and Thresholds</b>                                                                                                                                                  |                                     |                 |                          |                      |               |               |
| Legislation passed in 2017 put a cap of \$35,000 of tax on certain boat repairs.                                                                                                          | SSUTA Section 323                   | 48-8-3.4        |                          |                      |               |               |
| <b>2026 Issue 4: Local Sales Tax Base</b>                                                                                                                                                 |                                     |                 |                          |                      |               |               |

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| Legislation passed in 2017 extended the exemption for food to an equalized homestead option sales tax passed in the future by referendum. Food is not exempted from other local sales taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | SSUTA Section 302 | 48-8-3(57) | In part of DeKalb County, one local tax doesn't apply to certain food sales, while other local taxes do apply to such sales. |  |  |  |
| <b>2026</b> Issue 5: Failure to accept SER and to compensate CSP for Model 1 Sellers who only sell food in DeKalb County.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                   |            |                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |
| On February 22, 2018, the Georgia Department of Revenue issued policy bulletin SUT-2018-01 to explain the new DeKalb County Local Sales and Use Taxes. That policy bulletin stated: "The Streamlined Sales Tax Simplified Electronic Return (SER) cannot accommodate the proper DeKalb County rate for exempt food. Therefore, taxpayers selling food in Georgia are not permitted to use the SER to report sales and use taxes." Since the issuance of the bulletin Georgia has stopped all SERs submitted for any seller whose receipts are for the sale of food in DeKalb County. The department then sends a notice to the seller for penalty, interest, and the CSP compensation claimed on the SER. |                   |            |                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |