## CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

Representative Mayfield offered the following:

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## Amendment (with title amendment)

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Remove lines 327-332 and insert:

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Section 5. The Department of Revenue may adopt any rules necessary to implement and administer sections 1 through 4 of this act.

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Section 6. Effective upon this act becoming a law, subsection (9) is added to section 212.055, Florida Statutes, to read:

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212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative intent; authorization and use of proceeds.—It is the legislative intent that any authorization for imposition of a discretionary sales surtax shall be published in the Florida Statutes as a subsection of this section, irrespective of the duration of the levy. Each enactment shall specify the types of counties 690893

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authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be imposed; the maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed, if any; the procedure which must be followed to secure voter approval, if required; the purpose for which the proceeds may be expended; and such other requirements as the Legislature may provide. Taxable transactions and administrative procedures shall be as provided in s. 212.054.

- (9) AREA OF CRITICAL STATE CONCERN WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER SURTAX.--
- (a) A county designated as an area of critical state concern may levy a discretionary sales surtax of 1 percent pursuant to an ordinance that is enacted by a majority of the members of the county governing authority and is conditioned to take effect only upon approval by a majority vote of the electors of the county voting in a referendum.
- (b) The referendum to be placed on the ballot must include a statement that provides a brief and general description of the purposes for which the proceeds of the surtax may be used. The statement must conform to the requirements of s. 101.161 and shall be placed on the ballot by the governing body of the county. The following question shall be placed on the ballot:

.... FOR the one-cent sales tax
.... AGAINST the one-cent sales tax

(c) Pursuant to s. 212.054(4), the proceeds of the surtax levied under this subsection shall be distributed to the county

and the municipalities within such county in which the surtax was collected, according to:

- 1. An interlocal agreement between the county governing authority and the governing bodies of the municipalities representing a majority of the county's municipal population, which agreement may include a school district with the consent of the county governing authority and the governing bodies of the municipalities representing a majority of the county's municipal population; or
- 2. If there is no interlocal agreement, according to the formula provided in s. 218.62.

Any change in the distribution formula must take effect on the first day of any month that begins at least 60 days after written notification of that change has been made to the department.

(d) The proceeds of the surtax and any interest accrued thereto may be expended within the county and municipalities for the purposes of servicing bond and state revolving loan fund indebtedness to finance, plan, construct, upgrade, reconstruct or renovate wastewater and storm water collection and treatment infrastructure; and to finance, plan, construct, upgrade, reconstruct or renovate, wastewater and storm water collection and treatment infrastructure; fixed capital costs associated with the construction, upgrade, reconstruction, renovation, expansion or improvement of wastewater and stormwater facilities which has a useful life expectancy of at least 5 years; land acquisition, land improvement, design, and engineering costs 690893

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related thereto. The proceeds of the surtax must be set aside
and invested as permitted by law, with the principal and income
to be used for the purposes provided in this subsection.
Counties and municipalities receiving proceeds under the
provisions of this subsection may pledge such proceeds for the
purpose of servicing new bond or state revolving loan
indebtedness incurred pursuant to law. Counties and
municipalities may use the services of the Division of Bond
Finance of the State Board of Administration pursuant to the
State Bond Act to issue any bonds through the provisions of this
subsection. Counties and municipalities may join together for
the issuance of bonds authorized by this subsection.

- (e) A surtax imposed under this subsection expires 20 years after the effective date of the surtax unless reenacted by an ordinance that is subject to approval by a majority of the electors of the county voting in a subsequent referendum.
- (f) This subsection shall be liberally construed to achieve its purpose.

Section 7. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2009, and the amendment to s. 201.02, Florida Statutes, made by this act shall apply to transfers of property for which the first transfer to an artificial entity occurs after such date.

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove the entire title and insert:

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to discretionary surtaxes; amending s. 3, ch. 83-220, Laws of Florida, as amended; extending a future repeal date of provisions authorizing counties to levy a discretionary surtax on documents; amending s. 125.0167, F.S.; limiting the percentage of surtax revenues that may be used for administrative costs; specifying a minimum amount of surtax revenues to be used for housing for certain low-income and moderate-income families; requiring an affirmative vote of a local government governing body to rehabilitate certain governmentally owned housing; authorizing certain counties to create by ordinance a housing choice assistance voucher program for the purpose of down payment assistance; providing definitions; providing eligibility requirements for such vouchers; authorizing purchasing employers to file for allocations for such vouchers; limiting allocations; requiring distribution of allocations to employees in the form of such vouchers; prohibiting use of allocations for such vouchers if not awarded within a certain period after certain documentary stamps taxes are collected; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a continuing review of the discretionary surtax program operated by counties; requiring reports to the Legislature; amending s. 201.02, F.S.; revising criteria determining liability for payment of the tax; providing that the consideration for certain transfers of interests in real property does not include

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any change in value of certain ownership interests in such property; specifying a holding period limitation on such exclusion for certain transfers; providing criteria for the treatment and taxation of such consideration; providing a limitation on the cumulative amount of such consideration; providing for proration of such consideration and a basis for such proration; limiting the taxability of certain portions of prorated consideration; providing a requirement for payment of the tax on such transferred ownership interests; amending s. 201.031, F.S.; expanding requirements for counties levying the discretionary surtax to include housing plan, affordable housing element, and annual reporting requirements; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; allowing a county in an area of critical state concern to levy a voter-approved surtax of one-cent for wastewater and storm water; requiring a voter referendum; providing requirements for the ordinance imposing the surtax; providing purposes for which the proceeds of the surtax may be used; providing for the investment of proceeds collected from the surtax; providing for the automatic expiration of such a surtax unless it is approved by subsequent referendum; providing for application; providing effective dates.