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1 A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; specifying a period during which the sale of clothing, wallets, bags, school supplies, personal computers, and personal computer-related accessories are exempt from the sales tax; providing definitions; providing exceptions; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida

 Statutes, may not be collected during the period from 12:01 a.m.

 on August 1, 2014, through 11:59 p.m. on August 10, 2014, on the sale of:
- (a) Clothing, wallets, or bags, including handbags, backpacks, fanny packs, and diaper bags, but excluding briefcases, suitcases, and other garment bags, having a sales price of \$75 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the term "clothing" means:
- 1. Any article of wearing apparel intended to be worn on or about the human body, excluding watches, watchbands, jewelry, umbrellas, and handkerchiefs; and
- 2. All footwear, excluding skis, swim fins, roller blades, and skates.

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(b) School supplies having a sales price of \$15 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the term "school supplies" means pens, pencils, erasers, crayons, notebooks, notebook filler paper, legal pads, binders, lunch boxes, construction paper, markers, folders, poster board, composition books, poster paper, scissors, cellophane tape, glue or paste, rulers, computer disks, protractors, compasses, and calculators.

- (c) Personal computers and personal computer-related accessories with a sales price of \$750 or less, purchased for noncommercial home or personal use, including personal computer base units and keyboards, personal digital assistants, handheld computers, monitors, other peripheral devices, modems for Internet and network access, and nonrecreational software, regardless of whether the accessories are used in association with a personal computer base unit. Personal computers and personal computer-related accessories do not include furniture or any systems, devices, software, or peripherals designed or intended primarily for recreational use.
- (2) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, within a public lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida Statutes, or within an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2), Florida Statutes.
- (3) The Department of Revenue may, and all conditions are deemed met to, adopt emergency rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1)

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53 and 120.54, Florida Statutes, to administer this section.

54 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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