

By Representative Harrington

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to vessel taxes; amending s.
3 212.06, F.S.; exempting certain vessels used by
4 vessel manufacturers and dealers solely for
5 demonstration, sales promotional, and testing
6 purposes from the tax on sales, use, and other
7 transactions; providing a definition; providing
8 for application; providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) of
13 section 212.06, Florida Statutes, to read:

14 212.06 Sales, storage, use tax; collectible from
15 dealers; "dealer" defined; dealers to collect from purchasers;
16 legislative intent as to scope of tax.--

17 (1)

18 (d)1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
19 chapter, tax shall not be imposed on any vessel registered
20 pursuant to s. 327.11 by a vessel dealer or vessel
21 manufacturer with respect to a vessel used solely for
22 demonstration, sales promotional, or testing purposes. The
23 term "promotional purposes" shall include, but not be limited
24 to, participation in fishing tournaments. For the purposes of
25 this paragraph, "promotional purposes" means the entry of the
26 vessel in a marine-related event where prospective purchasers
27 would be in attendance, where the vessel is entered in the
28 name of the dealer or manufacturer, where the vessel is
29 clearly marked as for sale, on which vessel the name of the
30 dealer or manufacturer is clearly displayed, and which vessel
31 has never been transferred into the dealer's or manufacturer's

1 accounting books from an inventory item to a capital asset for
2 depreciation purposes.

3 2. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to
4 any vessel when used for transporting persons or goods for
5 compensation; when offered, let, or rented to another for
6 consideration; when offered for rent or hire as a means of
7 transportation for compensation; or when offered or used to
8 provide transportation for persons solicited through personal
9 contact or through advertisement on a "share expense" basis.

10 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

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13 HOUSE SUMMARY

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15 Provides an exemption from the taxes in ch. 212, F.S.,
16 relating to the taxes on sales, use, and other
17 transactions for vessels used by vessel dealers and
18 manufacturers solely for demonstration, sales
19 promotional, or testing purposes.

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