Florida House of Representatives - 1999

HB 1941

By the Committee on Finance & Taxation and Representatives Albright, Byrd, Fasano and Starks

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to tax on sales, use, and other
3	transactions; providing a short title;
4	specifying a period during which the sale of
5	clothing below a specified value shall be
6	<pre>exempt from such tax; defining "clothing";</pre>
7	providing exceptions; authorizing the
8	Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing
9	an appropriation; providing an effective date.
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11	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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13	Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Florida
14	Residents Tax Relief Act of 1999."
15	Section 2. (1) No tax levied under the provisions of
16	chapter 212, Florida Statutes, shall be collected on sales of
17	clothing having a taxable value of \$50 or less during the
18	period from 12:01 a.m., July 31, 1999, through midnight,
19	August 6, 1999.
20	(2) As used in this section, "clothing" means any
21	article of wearing apparel, including footwear, intended to be
22	worn on or about the human body. For purposes of this section,
23	clothing" does not include watches, watchbands, jewelry,
24	handbags, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, or headbands.
25	(3) This section does not apply to sales within a
26	theme park or entertainment complex, as defined in s.
27	509.013(9), Florida Statutes, or within a public lodging
28	establishment, as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida Statutes.
29	(4) The provisions of chapter 120, Florida Statutes,
30	to the contrary notwithstanding, the Department of Revenue is
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authorized to adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section. Section 3. The sum of \$200,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of administering this act. Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. HOUSE SUMMARY Creates the "Florida Residents Tax Relief Act of 1999." Exempts purchases of clothing having a taxable value of \$50 or less from sales tax for one week, beginning July 31, 1999. Does not apply to purchases in a theme park or entertainment complex or a public lodging establishment. Provides an appropriation to the Department of Revenue.

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