By Representative Bense

A bill to be entitled
An act relating to tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.11, F.S.; reducing the percentage used by a dealer to calculate estimated tax liability; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section 212.11, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
212.11 Tax returns and regulations.--
(1) (a) Each dealer shall calculate his or her estimated tax liability for any month by one of the following methods:

1. Fifty Sixty percent of the current month's liability pursuant to this chapter as shown on the tax return;
2. Fifty sixty percent of the tax reported on the tax return pursuant to this chapter by a dealer for the taxable transactions occurring during the corresponding month of the preceding calendar year; or
3. Fifty Sixty percent of the average tax liability pursuant to this chapter for those months during the preceding calendar year in which the dealer reported taxable transactions.
(4)
(d) A dealer engaged in the business of selling boats, motor vehicles, or aircraft who made at least one sale of a boat, motor vehicle, or aircraft with a sales price of $\$ 200,000$ or greater in the previous state fiscal year may

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qualify for payment of estimated sales tax pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph. To qualify, a dealer must apply annually to the department prior to October 1 , and, if qualified, the department must grant the application for payment of estimated sales tax pursuant to this paragraph for the following calendar year. In lieu of the method for calculating estimated sales tax liability pursuant to subparagraph (1)(a)3., a qualified dealer must calculate that option as 5060 percent of the average tax liability pursuant to this chapter for all sales excluding the sale of each boat, motor vehicle, or aircraft with a sales price of $\$ 200,000$ or greater during the state fiscal year ending the year in which the application is made. A qualified dealer must also remit the sales tax for each sale of a boat, motor vehicle, or aircraft with a sales price of $\$ 200,000$ or greater by either electronic funds transfer on the date of the sale or on a form prescribed by the department and postmarked on the date of the sale.

Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2001.
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HOUSE SUMMARY

Reduces from 60 percent to 50 percent the percentage used by a sales tax dealer to calculate estimated tax liability.

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