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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Aerospace Infrastructure Reinvestment Act of 2002; creating said act; providing legislative findings; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; providing that the amounts due under the chapter on sales, use, and other transactions collected by dealers conducting business at a fixed location at the Kennedy Space Center or Cape Canaveral Air Station on admissions thereto and on sales of tangible personal property at such business shall be separately returned and distributed by the Department of Revenue to the Florida Commercial Space Financing Corporation and used for funding aerospace infrastructure; providing an exemption for the reallocation of certain proceeds to the Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund; providing a definition; providing for rules; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Aerospace Infrastructure Reinvestment Act of 2002."

Section 2. The Legislature finds that promoting the growth of the space industry in Florida is a vital component of its overall economic plan and that facilitating additions to aerospace infrastructure will make the state more competitive and promote the retention and growth of space businesses in this state. This act therefore provides for the

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reinvestment of certain sales tax receipts arising from the presence of the space industry in Florida as a means of providing for that infrastructure growth.

Section 3. Paragraphs (b) and (d) of subsection (6) of section 212.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 212.20 Funds collected, disposition; additional powers of department; operational expense; refund of taxes adjudicated unconstitutionally collected .--
- (6) Distribution of all proceeds under this chapter and s. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) shall be as follows:
- (b) Proceeds from discretionary sales surtaxes imposed pursuant to ss. 212.054 and 212.055, except those distributed under sub-subparagraph (d)7.e., shall be reallocated to the Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund.
- (d) The proceeds of all other taxes and fees imposed pursuant to this chapter or remitted pursuant to s. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) shall be distributed as follows:
- 1. In any fiscal year, the greater of \$500 million, minus an amount equal to 4.6 percent of the proceeds of the taxes collected pursuant to chapter 201, or 5 percent of all other taxes and fees imposed pursuant to this chapter or remitted pursuant to s. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) shall be deposited in monthly installments into the General Revenue Fund.
- Two-tenths of one percent shall be transferred to the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund.
- 3. After the distribution under subparagraphs 1. and 2., 9.653 percent of the amount remitted by a sales tax dealer located within a participating county pursuant to s. 218.61 shall be transferred into the Local Government Half-cent Sales 31 Tax Clearing Trust Fund.

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- 4. After the distribution under subparagraphs 1., 2., and 3., 0.065 percent shall be transferred to the Local Government Half-cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund and distributed pursuant to s. 218.65.
- 5. For proceeds received after July 1, 2000, and after the distributions under subparagraphs 1., 2., 3., and 4., 2.25 percent of the available proceeds pursuant to this paragraph shall be transferred monthly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Counties pursuant to s. 218.215.
- 6. For proceeds received after July 1, 2000, and after the distributions under subparagraphs 1., 2., 3., and 4., 1.0715 percent of the available proceeds pursuant to this paragraph shall be transferred monthly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Municipalities pursuant to s. 218.215. If the total revenue to be distributed pursuant to this subparagraph is at least as great as the amount due from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Municipalities and the Municipal Financial Assistance Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000, no municipality shall receive less than the amount due from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Municipalities and the Municipal Financial Assistance Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000. If the total proceeds to be distributed are less than the amount received in combination from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Municipalities and the Municipal Financial Assistance Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000, each municipality shall receive an amount proportionate to the amount it was due in state fiscal year 1999-2000.
  - 7. Of the remaining proceeds:
- a. Beginning July 1, 2000, and in each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of \$29,915,500 shall be divided into as

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many equal parts as there are counties in the state, and one part shall be distributed to each county. The distribution among the several counties shall begin each fiscal year on or before January 5th and shall continue monthly for a total of 4 months. If a local or special law required that any moneys accruing to a county in fiscal year 1999-2000 under the then-existing provisions of s. 550.135 be paid directly to the district school board, special district, or a municipal government, such payment shall continue until such time that the local or special law is amended or repealed. covenants with holders of bonds or other instruments of indebtedness issued by local governments, special districts, or district school boards prior to July 1, 2000, that it is not the intent of this subparagraph to adversely affect the rights of those holders or relieve local governments, special districts, or district school boards of the duty to meet their obligations as a result of previous pledges or assignments or trusts entered into which obligated funds received from the distribution to county governments under then-existing s. 550.135. This distribution specifically is in lieu of funds distributed under s. 550.135 prior to July 1, 2000.

The department shall distribute \$166,667 monthly pursuant to s. 288.1162 to each applicant that has been certified as a "facility for a new professional sports franchise" or a "facility for a retained professional sports franchise" pursuant to s. 288.1162. Up to \$41,667 shall be distributed monthly by the department to each applicant that has been certified as a "facility for a retained spring training franchise" pursuant to s. 288.1162; however, not more than \$208,335 may be distributed monthly in the aggregate to 31 | all certified facilities for a retained spring training

franchise. Distributions shall begin 60 days following such certification and shall continue for not more than 30 years. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall be construed to allow an applicant certified pursuant to s. 288.1162 to receive more in distributions than actually expended by the applicant for the public purposes provided for in s. 288.1162(6). However, a certified applicant is entitled to receive distributions up to the maximum amount allowable and undistributed under this section for additional renovations and improvements to the facility for the franchise without additional certification.

- c. Beginning 30 days after notice by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to the Department of Revenue that an applicant has been certified as the professional golf hall of fame pursuant to s. 288.1168 and is open to the public, \$166,667 shall be distributed monthly, for up to 300 months, to the applicant.
- d. Beginning 30 days after notice by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to the Department of Revenue that the applicant has been certified as the International Game Fish Association World Center facility pursuant to s. 288.1169, and the facility is open to the public, \$83,333 shall be distributed monthly, for up to 168 months, to the applicant. This distribution is subject to reduction pursuant to s. 288.1169. A lump sum payment of \$999,996 shall be made, after certification and before July 1, 2000.
- e. Every dealer conducting business at a fixed location at the Kennedy Space Center or Cape Canaveral Air Station and selling admissions to the Kennedy Space Center or Cape Canaveral Air Station, or any part of either, pursuant to

a contract with the National Aeronautics and Space 1 2 Administration or pursuant to a subcontract thereto, shall 3 file returns each month in accordance with this sub-subparagraph. Each such dealer shall file a separate 4 5 return each month which reports, separately from any other 6 sales and use taxes due pursuant to this chapter, the sale of 7 admissions to the Kennedy Space Center or Cape Canaveral Air 8 Station or any part thereof or to any event held at either 9 location, together with sales at retail of tangible personal property from such fixed place of business, and the taxes 10 collected with respect to such admissions and sales. All 11 12 amounts due pursuant to this chapter with respect to such 13 transactions shall be timely remitted to the department. The 14 dealer shall simultaneously file a copy of the return with the Florida Commercial Space Financing Corporation and a copy with 15 the director of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic 16 17 Development, all of which return copies and information therein shall be subject to the same confidentiality 18 19 provisions as are applicable to returns and information filed 20 with the department pursuant to s. 213.053. Each month the department shall distribute to the Florida Commercial Space 21 22 Financing Corporation all such proceeds collected and remitted to the department as shown on the returns required by this 23 24 sub-subparagraph. The funds distributed to the Florida 25 Commercial Space Financing Corporation shall be used solely 26 for funding aerospace infrastructure as defined in this sub-subparagraph. In the event the department collects any 27 28 additional amounts pursuant to this chapter with respect to 29 any transactions for which a separate return is required by this sub-subparagraph, the proceeds shall, within 30 days 30 following collection, be distributed by the department to the

Florida Commercial Space Financing Corporation for the uses 1 specified in this sub-subparagraph. For purposes of this 2 3 sub-subparagraph, "aerospace infrastructure" means land, buildings and other improvements, fixtures, machinery, 4 5 equipment, instruments, and software that will improve the state's capability to support, expand, or attract the launch, 6 7 construction, processing, refurbishment, or manufacturing of 8 rockets, missiles, capsules, spacecraft, satellites, satellite 9 control facilities, ground support equipment and related tangible personal property, launch vehicles, modules, space 10 11 stations or components destined for space station operation, 12 and space flight research and development facilities, 13 instruments, and equipment, together with any engineering, permitting, and other expenses directly related to such land, 14 buildings, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment, 15 16 instruments, or software. Nothing in this sub-subparagraph 17 shall be construed as affecting any dealer's liability for other taxes imposed by and due pursuant to this chapter. 18 19 All other proceeds shall remain with the General 20 Revenue Fund. The Department of Revenue is authorized to 21 Section 4. promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this act. 22 23 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002, and be applicable to taxes due on or after that date. 24 25 26 27 HOUSE SUMMARY 28 Creates the Aerospace Infrastructure Reinvestment Act of 2002 to promote the growth of the space industry in Florida by providing for the reinvestment of described sales tax revenue arising from the presence of the space 29 30 industry in Florida as a means of providing for that infrastructure growth. See bill for details.