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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other
3	transactions; specifying a period during which the sale of
4	books, clothing, and school supplies are exempt from such
5	tax; providing definitions; providing exceptions;
6	authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules;
7	providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.
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9	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11	Section 1. (1) No tax levied under the provisions of
12	chapter 212, Florida Statutes, shall be collected on the sale
13	<u>of:</u>
14	(a)1. Books, clothing, wallets, or bags, including
15	handbags, backpacks, fanny packs, and diaper bags, but excluding
16	briefcases, suitcases, and other garment bags, having a sales
17	price of \$100 or less per item during the period from 12:01
18	a.m., July 24, 2004, through midnight, August 1, 2004.
19	2. As used in this paragraph, the term:
20	a. "Book" means a set of printed sheets bound together and
21	published in a volume. For purposes of this paragraph, the term
22	"book" does not include newspapers, magazines, or other
23	periodicals.
24	b. "Clothing" means any article of wearing apparel,
25	including all footwear, except skis, swim fins, roller blades,
26	and skates, intended to be worn on or about the human body. For
27	purposes of this paragraph, the term "clothing" does not include
28	watches, watchbands, jewelry, umbrellas, or handkerchiefs.

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29	(b)1. School supplies having a sales price of \$10 or less
30	per item during the period from 12:01 a.m., July 24, 2004,
31	through midnight, August 1, 2004.
32	2. As used in this paragraph, the term "school supplies"
33	means pens, pencils, erasers, crayons, notebooks, notebook
34	filler paper, legal pads, composition books, poster paper,
35	scissors, cellophane tape, glue or paste, rulers, computer
36	disks, protractors, compasses, and calculators.
37	(2) This section does not apply to sales within a theme
38	park or entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013(9),
39	Florida Statutes, within a public lodging establishment as
40	defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida Statutes, or within an airport
41	as defined in s. 330.27(2), Florida Statutes.
42	(3) Notwithstanding chapter 120, Florida Statutes, the
43	Department of Revenue may adopt rules to carry out this section.
44	Section 2. The sum of \$206,000 is appropriated from the
45	General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for the
46	purpose of administering this act.
47	Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.
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