

By the Committees on Commerce and Consumer Services; Domestic Security; and Senators Baker, Campbell, Atwater, Sebesta, Alexander, Diaz de la Portilla, Wise, Haridopolos and Wilson

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to hurricane preparedness;
3 providing an exemption from the sales and use
4 tax for sales of certain tangible personal
5 property for certain periods; authorizing the
6 Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing
7 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) Effective May 21, 2006, through June
12 1, 2006, and May 20, 2007, through May 31, 2007, no tax levied
13 under the provisions of chapter 212, Florida Statutes, shall
14 be collected on the sale of:
15 (a) Any portable self-powered light source selling for
16 \$20 or less.
17 (b) Any portable self-powered radio, two-way radio, or
18 weatherband radio selling for \$50 or less.
19 (c) Any tarpaulin or other flexible waterproof
20 sheeting selling for \$50 or less.
21 (d) Any ground anchor system or tie-down kit selling
22 for \$50 or less.
23 (e) Any gas or diesel fuel tank selling for \$25 or
24 less.
25 (f) Any package of AAA-cell, AA-cell, C-cell, D-cell,
26 6-volt, or 9-volt batteries, excluding automobile and boat
27 batteries, selling for \$30 or less.
28 (g) Any cell phone battery selling for \$60 or less and
29 any cell phone charger selling for \$40 or less.
30 (h) Any nonelectric food storage cooler selling for
31 \$30 or less.

1 (i) Any portable generator used to provide light or
2 communications or preserve food in the event of a power outage
3 selling for \$1,000 or less.

4 (j) Any storm shutter device selling for \$300 or less.

5 (2) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules pursuant
6 to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54, Florida Statutes, to carry out
7 this section.

8 Section 2. The sum of \$221,400 is appropriated from
9 the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for
10 purposes of administering section 1.

11 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
12 law.

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14 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
15 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
16 CS/SB 24

17 The committee substitute differs from the bill in the
18 following ways:

- 19 1. Removes building materials, including plywood and
20 hardware used to secure plywood to a structure, selling
21 for \$300 or less, from the list of exempt items; and
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23 2. Adds storm shutter devices, selling for \$300 or less, to
24 the list of exempt items.
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