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2 An act relating to the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax 3 Agreement; amending s. 212.02, F.S.; revising definitions; 4 amending s. 212.03, F.S.; specifying certain facilities 5 that are exempt from the transient rentals tax; amending 6 ss. 212.0306, 212.04, and 212.0506, F.S.; deleting the 7 application of brackets for the calculation of sales and 8 use taxes; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; deleting criteria 9 establishing circumstances under which taxes on the lease 10 or rental of a motor vehicle are due; revising criteria establishing circumstances under which taxes on the sale 11 12 of a prepaid calling arrangement are due; deleting the application of brackets for the calculation of sales and 13 14 use taxes; amending s. 212.054, F.S.; limiting the \$5,000 15 cap on discretionary sales surtax to the sale of motor 16 vehicles, aircraft, boats, manufactured homes, modular homes, and mobile homes; specifying the time at which 17 changes in surtaxes may take effect; providing criteria to 18 19 determine the situs of certain sales; providing for 20 databases to identify taxing jurisdictions; providing 21 criteria to hold purchasers harmless for failure to pay 22 the correct amount of tax; holding sellers harmless for 23 failing to collect a tax at a new rate under certain 24 circumstances; amending s. 212.06, F.S.; defining terms; 25 deleting provisions relating to mail-order sales to 26 conform; requiring purchasers of direct mail to use 27 direct-mail forms; providing criteria for determining the 28 location of transactions involving tangible personal

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29 property, digital goods, or services and for the lease or 30 rental of tangible personal property; amending s. 212.07, 31 F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing for the 32 creation of a taxability matrix; providing immunity from liability for acts in reliance of the taxability matrix; 33 34 amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising exemptions from sales 35 and use tax for food and medical products; conforming 36 cross-references; creating s. 212.094, F.S.; providing a procedure for a purchaser to obtain a refund of or credit 37 38 against tax collected by a dealer; amending s. 212.12, F.S.; authorizing collection allowances for certified 39 service providers and voluntary sellers in accordance with 40 the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement; providing for 41 42 the computation of taxes due based on rounding instead of 43 brackets; amending s. 212.17, F.S.; providing additional 44 criteria for a dealer to claim a credit for or obtain a refund of taxes paid relating to worthless accounts; 45 amending s. 212.18, F.S.; authorizing the Department of 46 47 Revenue to waive the dealer registration fee for applications submitted through the central electronic 48 49 registration system provided by member states of the 50 Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement; deleting 51 provisions relating to mail-order sales to conform; 52 amending s. 212.20, F.S.; deleting procedures for refunds 53 of tax paid on mail-order sales to conform; creating s. 54 213.052, F.S.; providing for notice of state sales or use tax rate changes; creating s. 213.0521, F.S.; providing 55 56 the effective date for state sales and use tax rate

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57 changes; creating s. 213.215, F.S.; providing amnesty for 58 uncollected or unpaid sales and use taxes for sellers who 59 register under the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax 60 Agreement; providing exceptions to the amnesty; amending s. 213.256, F.S.; providing and revising definitions; 61 62 providing for entry into agreements with other states to 63 simplify and facilitate compliance with sales tax laws; providing for certification of compliance with agreements; 64 65 creating s. 213.2562, F.S.; providing for the department 66 to review software submitted to the governing board for 67 certification as a certified automated system; creating s. 213.2567, F.S.; providing for the registration of sellers, 68 69 the certification of a person as a certified service 70 provider, and the certification of a software program as a 71 certified automated system by the governing board under 72 the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement; declaring 73 legislative intent; providing for the adoption of 74 emergency rules; amending ss. 11.45, 196.012, 202.18, 75 203.01, 212.031, 212.052, 212.055, 212.13, 212.15, 76 213.015, 218.245, 218.65, 288.1045, 288.1169, 551.102, and 77 790.0655, F.S.; conforming cross-references; repealing s. 78 212.0596, F.S., relating to provisions pertaining to the 79 taxation of mail-order sales; providing an effective date. 80 81 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 82 Section 1. Section 212.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to 83 84 read:

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85 212.02 Definitions.--The following terms and phrases when 86 used in this chapter have the meanings ascribed to them in this 87 section, except where the context clearly indicates a different 88 meaning. The term:

89 The term "Admissions" means and includes the net sum (1)90 of money after deduction of any federal taxes for admitting a 91 person or vehicle or persons to any place of amusement, sport, 92 or recreation or for the privilege of entering or staying in any 93 place of amusement, sport, or recreation, including, but not 94 limited to, theaters, outdoor theaters, shows, exhibitions, 95 games, races, or any place where charge is made by way of sale of tickets, gate charges, seat charges, box charges, season pass 96 charges, cover charges, greens fees, participation fees, 97 98 entrance fees, or other fees or receipts of anything of value measured on an admission or entrance or length of stay or seat 99 100 box accommodations in any place where there is any exhibition, amusement, sport, or recreation, and all dues and fees paid to 101 102 private clubs and membership clubs providing recreational or 103 physical fitness facilities, including, but not limited to, 104 golf, tennis, swimming, yachting, boating, athletic, exercise, 105 and fitness facilities, except physical fitness facilities owned 106 or operated by any hospital licensed under chapter 395.

107 <u>(2) "Agricultural commodity" means horticultural,</u> 108 aquacultural, poultry and farm products, and livestock and 109 <u>livestock products.</u>

110 (3) "Agricultural production" means the production of 111 plants and animals useful to humans, including the preparation, 112 planting, cultivating, or harvesting of these products or any

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113	other practices necessary to accomplish production through the
114	harvest phase, which includes aquaculture, horticulture,
115	floriculture, viticulture, forestry, dairy, livestock, poultry,
116	bees, and all other forms of farm products and farm production.
117	(4) "Bundled transaction" means the retail sale of two or
118	more products, except real property and services to real
119	property, in which the products are otherwise distinct and
120	identifiable and the products are sold for one non-itemized
121	price. A bundled transaction does not include the sale of any
122	products in which the sales price varies, or is negotiable,
123	based on the selection by the purchaser of the products included
124	in the transaction.
125	(a) As used in this subsection, the term:
126	1. "Distinct and identifiable products" does not include:
127	a. Packaging, such as containers, boxes, sacks, bags, and
128	bottles or other materials, such as wrapping, labels, tags, and
129	instruction guides, which accompany the retail sale of the
130	products and are incidental or immaterial to the retail sale of
131	the products. Examples of packing that is incidental or
132	immaterial include grocery sacks, shoeboxes, dry cleaning
133	garment bags, and express delivery envelopes and boxes.
134	b. A product provided free of charge with the required
135	purchase of another product. A product is provided free of
136	charge if the sales price of the product purchased does not vary
137	depending on the inclusion of the product provided free of
138	charge.
139	2. "One non-itemized price" does not include a price that
140	is separately identified by product on binding sales or other
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141	supporting sales-related documentation made available to the
142	customer in paper or electronic form, including, but not limited
143	to, an invoice, bill of sale, receipt, contract, service
144	agreement, lease agreement, periodic notice of rates and
145	services, rate card, or price list.
146	3. "De minimis" means that the seller's purchase price or
147	sales price of the taxable products is 10 percent or less of the
148	total purchase price or sales price of the bundled products.
149	a. Sellers shall use the purchase price or sales price of
150	the products to determine if the taxable products are de
151	minimis. Sellers may not use a combination of the purchase price
152	and sales price of the products to determine if the taxable
153	products are de minimis.
154	b. Sellers shall use the full term of a service contract
155	to determine if the taxable products are de minimis.
156	(b)1. A transaction that otherwise satisfies the
157	definition of a bundled transaction, as defined in this
158	subsection, is not a bundled transaction if it is:
159	a. The retail sale of tangible personal property and a
160	service in which the tangible personal property is essential to
161	the use of the service, is provided exclusively in connection
162	with the service, and the true object of the transaction is the
163	service;
164	b. The retail sale of services in which one service is
165	provided which is essential to the use or receipt of a second
166	service and the first service is provided exclusively in
167	connection with the second service and the true object of the
168	transaction is the second service;
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169 c. A transaction that includes taxable products and 170 nontaxable products and the purchase price or sales price of the 171 taxable products is de minimis; or 172 The retail sale of exempt tangible personal property d. 173 and taxable personal property in which: 174 The transaction includes food and food ingredients, (I) 175 drugs, durable medical equipment, mobility-enhancing equipment, over-the-counter drugs, prosthetic devices, or medical supplies; 176 177 and 178 (II) The seller's purchase price or sales price of the 179 taxable tangible personal property is 50 percent or less of the 180 total purchase price or sales price of the bundled tangible 181 personal property. Sellers may not use a combination of the 182 purchase price and sales price of the tangible personal property 183 to make the determination required in this paragraph. 2.a. Sellers shall use the purchase price or sales price 184 185 of the products to determine if the taxable products are de 186 minimis. Sellers may not use a combination of the purchase price 187 and sales price of the products to determine if the taxable 188 products are de minimis. 189 b. Sellers shall use the full term of a service contract 190 to determine if the taxable products are de minimis. 191 (5) (2) "Business" means any activity engaged in by any 192 person, or caused to be engaged in by him or her, with the 193 object of private or public gain, benefit, or advantage, either 194 direct or indirect. Except for the sales of any aircraft, boat, mobile home, or motor vehicle, the term "business" shall not be 195 196 construed in this chapter to include occasional or isolated Page 7 of 151

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197 sales or transactions involving tangible personal property or 198 services by a person who does not hold himself or herself out as 199 engaged in business or sales of unclaimed tangible personal 200 property under s. 717.122, but includes other charges for the 201 sale or rental of tangible personal property, sales of services 202 taxable under this chapter, sales of or charges of admission, 203 communication services, all rentals and leases of living 204 quarters, other than low-rent housing operated under chapter 205 421, sleeping or housekeeping accommodations in hotels, 206 apartment houses, roominghouses, tourist or trailer camps, and 207 all rentals of or licenses in real property, other than low-rent housing operated under chapter 421, all leases or rentals of or 208 licenses in parking lots or garages for motor vehicles, docking 209 210 or storage spaces for boats in boat docks or marinas as defined 211 in this chapter and made subject to a tax imposed by this 212 chapter. The term "business" shall not be construed in this 213 chapter to include the leasing, subleasing, or licensing of real 214 property by one corporation to another if all of the stock of 215 both such corporations is owned, directly or through one or more 216 wholly owned subsidiaries, by a common parent corporation; the 217 property was in use prior to July 1, 1989, title to the property 218 was transferred after July 1, 1988, and before July 1, 1989, 219 between members of an affiliated group, as defined in s. 1504(a) 220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, which group included both 221 such corporations and there is no substantial change in the use of the property following the transfer of title; the leasing, 222 subleasing, or licensing of the property was required by an 223 unrelated lender as a condition of providing financing to one or 224 Page 8 of 151

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225 more members of the affiliated group; and the corporation to 226 which the property is leased, subleased, or licensed had sales 227 subject to the tax imposed by this chapter of not less than \$667 228 million during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30. 229 Any tax on such sales, charges, rentals, admissions, or other 230 transactions made subject to the tax imposed by this chapter shall be collected by the state, county, municipality, any 231 232 political subdivision, agency, bureau, or department, or other 233 state or local governmental instrumentality in the same manner 234 as other dealers, unless specifically exempted by this chapter. "Certified service provider" has the same meaning as 235 (6) 236 provided in s. 213.256. 237 (7) (3) The terms "Cigarettes," "tobacco," or "tobacco 238 products" referred to in this chapter include all such products 239 as are defined or may be hereafter defined by the laws of the 240 state. 241 (8) "Coin-operated amusement machine" means any machine 242 operated by coin, slug, token, coupon, or similar device for the 243 purposes of entertainment or amusement. The term includes, but 244 is not limited to, coin-operated pinball machines, music 245 machines, juke boxes, mechanical games, video games, arcade 246 games, billiard tables, moving picture viewers, shooting 247 galleries, and all other similar amusement devices. 248 (9) "Computer" means an electronic device that accepts information in digital or similar form and manipulates such 249 250 information for a result based on a sequence of instructions. (10) "Computer software" means a set of coded instructions 251 252 designed to cause a computer or automatic data processing

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253 equipment to perform a task.

254 <u>(11)(4)</u> "Cost price" means the actual cost of articles of 255 tangible personal property without any deductions therefrom on 256 account of the cost of materials used, labor or service costs, 257 transportation charges, or any expenses whatsoever.

258 (12) "Delivery charges" means charges by the seller of 259 personal property or services for preparation and delivery to a 260 location designated by the purchaser of such property or 261 services, including, but not limited to, transportation, shipping, postage, handling, crating, and packing. The term does 262 263 not include the charges for delivery of direct mail if the 264 charges are separately stated on an invoice or similar billing 265 document given to the purchaser. If a shipment includes exempt 266 property and taxable property, the seller shall tax only the percentage of the delivery charge allocated to the taxable 267 268 property. The seller may allocate the delivery charge by using: (a) A percentage based on the total sales price of the 269 270 taxable property compared to the sales price of all property in 271 the shipment; or 272 (b) A percentage based on the total weight of the taxable 273 property compared to the total weight of all property in the 274 shipment. 275 (13) (5) The term "Department" means the Department of 276 Revenue. 277 "Diesel fuel" means any liquid product, gas product, (14) or any combination thereof, which is used in an internal 278 279 combustion engine or motor to propel any form of vehicle, 280 machine, or mechanical contrivance. The term includes, but is

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281 not limited to, all forms of fuel commonly or commercially known 282 or sold as diesel fuel or kerosene. However, the term does not 283 include butane gas, propane gas, or any other form of liquefied 284 petroleum gas or compressed natural gas. 285 "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or (15)286 distributed by the United States Postal Service or other 287 delivery service to a mass audience or to addressees on a 288 mailing list provided by the purchaser or at the direction of 289 the purchaser when the cost of the items are not billed directly 290 to the recipients. The term includes tangible personal property 291 supplied directly or indirectly by the purchaser to the direct 292 mail seller for inclusion in the package containing the printed 293 material. The term does not include multiple items of printed 294 material delivered to a single address. 295 (16) "Electronic" means relating to technology having 296 electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, 297 electromagnetic, or similar capabilities. 298 (17) (6) "Enterprise zone" means an area of the state 299 designated pursuant to s. 290.0065. This subsection expires on 300 the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the 301 Florida Enterprise Zone Act. 302 (18) (7) "Factory-built building" means a structure 303 manufactured in a manufacturing facility for installation or 304 erection as a finished building; "factory-built building" 305 includes, but is not limited to, residential, commercial, institutional, storage, and industrial structures. 306 307 (19) "Farmer" means a person who is directly engaged in 308 the business of producing crops, livestock, or other Page 11 of 151

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309 <u>agricultural commodities. The term includes, but is not limited</u> 310 <u>to, horse breeders, nurserymen, dairy farmers, poultry farmers,</u> 311 <u>cattle ranchers, apiarists, and persons raising fish.</u>

312 (20) "Forest" means the land stocked by trees of any size 313 used in the production of forest products, or formerly having 314 such tree cover, and not currently developed for nonforest use.

315 <u>(21)(8)</u> "In this state" or "in the state" means within the 316 state boundaries of Florida as defined in s. 1, Art. II of the 317 State Constitution and includes all territory within these 318 limits owned by or ceded to the United States.

319 <u>(22)(9)</u> The term "Intoxicating beverages" or "alcoholic 320 beverages" referred to in this chapter includes all such 321 beverages as are so defined or may be hereafter defined by the 322 laws of the state.

323 <u>(23) (10)</u> "Lease," "let," or "rental" means leasing or 324 renting of living quarters or sleeping or housekeeping 325 accommodations in hotels, apartment houses, roominghouses, 326 tourist or trailer camps and real property, the same being 327 defined as follows:

328 Every building or other structure kept, used, (a) 329 maintained, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be, a 330 place where sleeping accommodations are supplied for pay to 331 transient or permanent guests or tenants, in which 10 or more 332 rooms are furnished for the accommodation of such quests, and having one or more dining rooms or cafes where meals or lunches 333 are served to such transient or permanent guests; such sleeping 334 accommodations and dining rooms or cafes being conducted in the 335 336 same building or buildings in connection therewith, shall, for

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337 the purpose of this chapter, be deemed a hotel.

(b) Any building, or part thereof, where separate accommodations for two or more families living independently of each other are supplied to transient or permanent guests or tenants shall for the purpose of this chapter be deemed an apartment house.

(c) Every house, boat, vehicle, motor court, trailer court, or other structure or any place or location kept, used, maintained, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be, a place where living quarters or sleeping or housekeeping accommodations are supplied for pay to transient or permanent guests or tenants, whether in one or adjoining buildings, shall for the purpose of this chapter be deemed a roominghouse.

(d) In all hotels, apartment houses, and roominghouses within the meaning of this chapter, the parlor, dining room, sleeping porches, kitchen, office, and sample rooms shall be construed to mean "rooms."

(e) A "tourist camp" is a place where two or more tents, tent houses, or camp cottages are located and offered by a person or municipality for sleeping or eating accommodations, most generally to the transient public for either a direct money consideration or an indirect benefit to the lessor or owner in connection with a related business.

(f) A "trailer camp," "mobile home park," or "recreational vehicle park" is a place where space is offered, with or without service facilities, by any persons or municipality to the public for the parking and accommodation of two or more automobile trailers, mobile homes, or recreational vehicles which are used

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for lodging, for either a direct money consideration or an indirect benefit to the lessor or owner in connection with a related business, such space being hereby defined as living quarters, and the rental price thereof shall include all service charges paid to the lessor.

370 (g)1. "Lease," "let," or "rental" also means any transfer 371 of possession or control of tangible personal property for a fixed or indeterminate term for consideration. A clause for a 372 373 future option to purchase or to extend an agreement does not 374 preclude an agreement from being a lease or rental. This 375 definition shall be used for purposes of the sales and use tax 376 regardless of whether a transaction is characterized as a lease 377 or rental under generally accepted accounting principles, the 378 Internal Revenue Code, the Uniform Commercial Code, or any other 379 provisions of federal, state, or local law. These terms include 380 agreements covering motor vehicles and trailers if the amount of 381 consideration may be increased or decreased by reference to the amount realized upon sale or disposition of the property as 382 383 provided in 26 U.S.C. s. 7701(h)(1). These terms do not include: 384 a. A transfer of possession or control of property under a 385 security agreement or deferred payment plan that requires the 386 transfer of title upon completion of the required payments; 387 b. A transfer of possession or control of property under 388 an agreement that requires the transfer of title upon completion 389 of required payments and payment of an option price does not exceed the greater of \$100 or 1 percent of the total required 390 391 payments; or 392 c. The provision of tangible personal property along with

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393 an operator for a fixed or indeterminate period of time. A 394 condition of this exclusion is that the operator is necessary 395 for the equipment to perform as designed. For the purpose of 396 this sub-subparagraph, an operator must do more than maintain, 397 inspect, or set up the tangible personal property the leasing or 398 rental of tangible personal property and the possession or use 399 thereof by the lessee or rentee for a consideration, without 400 transfer of the title of such property, except as expressly 401 provided to the contrary herein.

402 <u>2.</u> The term "Lease," "let," or "rental" does not <u>include</u> 403 mean hourly, daily, or mileage charges, to the extent that such 404 charges are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States 405 Interstate Commerce Commission, <u>if</u> when such charges are paid by 406 reason of the presence of railroad cars owned by another on the 407 tracks of the taxpayer, or charges made pursuant to car service 408 agreements.

The term "Lease," "let," "rental," or "license" does 409 3. 410 not include payments made to an owner of high-voltage bulk 411 transmission facilities in connection with the possession or 412 control of such facilities by a regional transmission 413 organization, independent system operator, or similar entity 414 under the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory 415 Commission. However, where two taxpayers, in connection with the interchange of facilities, rent or lease property, each to the 416 other, for use in providing or furnishing any of the services 417 mentioned in s. 166.231, the term "lease or rental" means only 418 419 the net amount of rental involved.

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"Real property" means the surface land, improvements

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421 thereto, and fixtures, and is synonymous with "realty" and "real 422 estate."

(i) "License," as used in this chapter with reference to the use of real property, means the granting of a privilege to use or occupy a building or a parcel of real property for any purpose.

(j) Privilege, franchise, or concession fees, or fees for
a license to do business, paid to an airport are not payments
for leasing, letting, renting, or granting a license for the use
of real property.

431 (24) "Livestock" includes all animals of the equine,
432 bovine, or swine class, including goats, sheep, mules, horses,
433 hogs, cattle, ostriches, and other grazing animals raised for
434 commercial purposes. The term also includes fish raised for
435 commercial purposes.

436 (25)(a) "Model 1 seller" has the same meaning as provided 437 in s. 213.256.

438 (b) "Model 2 seller" has the same meaning as provided in 439 s. 213.256.

440 (c) "Model 3 seller" has the same meaning as provided in 441 s. 213.256.

442 <u>(26) (11)</u> "Motor fuel" means and includes what is commonly 443 known and sold as gasoline and fuels containing a mixture of 444 gasoline and other products.

445 <u>(27) (12)</u> "Person" includes any individual, firm, 446 copartnership, joint adventure, association, corporation, 447 estate, trust, business trust, receiver, syndicate, or other 448 group or combination acting as a unit and also includes any

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449 political subdivision, municipality, state agency, bureau, or 450 department and includes the plural as well as the singular 451 number. 452 "Power farm equipment" means moving or stationary (28) 453 equipment that contains within itself the means for its own 454 propulsion or power and moving or stationary equipment that is 455 dependent upon an external power source to perform its 456 functions. 457 (29) "Prewritten computer software" means computer 458 software, including prewritten upgrades, which is not designed and developed by the author or other creator to the 459 460 specifications of a specific purchaser. The combining of two or 461 more prewritten computer software programs or prewritten 462 portions of such programs does not cause the combination to be 463 other than prewritten computer software. Prewritten computer 464 software includes software designed and developed by the author 465 or other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser 466 when such software is sold to a person other than the specific 467 purchaser. Where a person modifies or enhances computer software 468 of which the person is not the author or creator, the person 469 shall be deemed to be the author or creator only of such 470 person's modifications or enhancements. Prewritten computer 471 software or a prewritten portion of such software which is modified or enhanced to any degree, if such modification or 472 473 enhancement is designed and developed to the specifications of a 474 specific purchaser, remains prewritten computer software. 475 However, prewritten computer software does not include software 476 that has been modified or enhanced for a particular purchaser if

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477 the charge for the enhancement is reasonable and separately 478 stated on the invoice or other statement of price given to the 479 purchaser.

480 (30) "Product transferred electronically" means a product,
 481 except computer software, which was obtained by a purchaser by
 482 means other than the purchase of tangible storage media.

483 (31)"Qualified aircraft" means any aircraft having a 484 maximum certified takeoff weight of less than 10,000 pounds and 485 equipped with twin turbofan engines that meet Stage IV noise 486 requirements which is used by a business operating as an on-487 demand air carrier under Federal Aviation Administration 488 Regulation Title 14, chapter I, part 135, Code of Federal 489 Regulations, which owns or leases and operates a fleet of at 490 least 25 of such aircraft in this state.

491 <u>(32) (13)</u> "Retailer" means and includes every person 492 engaged in the business of making sales at retail or for 493 distribution, or use, or consumption, or storage to be used or 494 consumed in this state.

(33) (14) (a) "Retail sale" or a "sale at retail" means a 495 496 sale to a consumer or to any person for any purpose other than 497 for resale in the form of tangible personal property or services taxable under this chapter, and includes all such transactions 498 499 that may be made in lieu of retail sales or sales at retail. A 500 sale for resale includes a sale of qualifying property. As used in this paragraph, the term "qualifying property" means tangible 501 personal property, other than electricity, which is used or 502 consumed by a government contractor in the performance of a 503 504 qualifying contract as defined in s. 212.08(17)(c), to the

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505 extent that the cost of the property is allocated or charged as 506 a direct item of cost to such contract, title to which property 507 vests in or passes to the government under the contract. The 508 term "government contractor" includes prime contractors and 509 subcontractors. As used in this paragraph, a cost is a "direct item of cost" if it is a "direct cost" as defined in 48 C.F.R. 510 511 s. 9904.418-30(a)(2), or similar successor provisions, including 512 costs identified specifically with a particular contract.

The terms "Retail sales," "sales at retail," "use," 513 (b) "storage," and "consumption" include the sale, use, storage, or 514 515 consumption of all tangible advertising materials imported or caused to be imported into this state. Tangible advertising 516 517 material includes displays, display containers, brochures, 518 catalogs, price lists, point-of-sale advertising, and technical 519 manuals or any tangible personal property which does not 520 accompany the product to the ultimate consumer.

"Retail sales," "sale at retail," "use," "storage," 521 (C) 522 and "consumption" do not include materials, containers, labels, 523 sacks, bags, or similar items intended to accompany a product 524 sold to a customer without which delivery of the product would 525 be impracticable because of the character of the contents and be 526 used one time only for packaging tangible personal property for 527 sale or for the convenience of the customer or for packaging in the process of providing a service taxable under this chapter. 528 When a separate charge for packaging materials is made, the 529 530 charge shall be considered part of the sales price or rental 531 charge for purposes of determining the applicability of tax. The terms do not include the sale, use, storage, or consumption of 532

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533 industrial materials, including chemicals and fuels except as 534 provided herein, for future processing, manufacture, or 535 conversion into articles of tangible personal property for 536 resale when such industrial materials, including chemicals and 537 fuels except as provided herein, become a component or 538 ingredient of the finished product. However, the terms include 539 the sale, use, storage, or consumption of tangible personal 540 property, including machinery and equipment or parts thereof, 541 purchased electricity, and fuels used to power machinery, when 542 such items are used and dissipated in fabricating, converting, 543 or processing tangible personal property for sale, even though they may become ingredients or components of the tangible 544 545 personal property for sale through accident, wear, tear, 546 erosion, corrosion, or similar means. The terms do not include 547 the sale of materials to a registered repair facility for use in 548 repairing a motor vehicle, airplane, or boat, when such 549 materials are incorporated into and sold as part of the repair. 550 Such a sale shall be deemed a purchase for resale by the repair 551 facility, even though every material is not separately stated or 552 separately priced on the repair invoice.

(d) "Gross sales" means the sum total of all sales of tangible personal property as defined herein, without any deduction whatsoever of any kind or character, except as provided in this chapter.

557 (e) The term "Retail sale" includes a mail order sale, as 558 defined in s. 212.0596(1).

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(34) (15) "Sale" means and includes:

(a) Any transfer of title or possession, or both,

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561 exchange, barter, license, lease, or rental, conditional or 562 otherwise, in any manner or by any means whatsoever, of tangible 563 personal property for a consideration.

(b) The rental of living quarters or sleeping or
housekeeping accommodations in hotels, apartment houses or
roominghouses, or tourist or trailer camps, as hereinafter
defined in this chapter.

(c) The producing, fabricating, processing, printing, or imprinting of tangible personal property for a consideration for consumers who furnish either directly or indirectly the materials used in the producing, fabricating, processing, printing, or imprinting.

(d) The furnishing, preparing, or serving for a consideration of any tangible personal property for consumption on or off the premises of the person furnishing, preparing, or serving such tangible personal property which includes the sale of meals or prepared food by an employer to his or her employees.

(e) A transaction whereby the possession of property is
transferred but the seller retains title as security for the
payment of the price.

582 <u>(35) (a) (16)</u> "Sales price" <u>applies to the measure subject</u> 583 <u>to the tax imposed by this chapter and means the total amount of</u> 584 <u>consideration, including cash, credit, property, and services,</u> 585 <u>for which tangible personal property or personal services are</u> 586 <u>sold, leased, or rented, valued in money, whether received in</u> 587 <u>money or otherwise, without any deduction for the following:</u> 588 1. The seller's cost of the property sold;

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589 2. The cost of materials used, labor or service cost, 590 interest, losses, all costs of transportation to the seller, all 591 taxes imposed on the seller, and any other expense of the 592 seller; 593 3. Charges by the seller for any services necessary to complete the sale, other than delivery and installation charges; 594 595 4. Delivery charges; or 596 5. Installation charges. 597 (b) "Sales price" does not include: 598 1. Trade-ins allowed and taken at the time of sale if the 599 amount is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or 600 similar document given to the purchaser; 601 2. Discounts, including cash, term, or coupons, which are 602 not reimbursed by a third party, are allowed by a seller, and 603 taken by a purchaser at the time of sale; 604 3. Interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit 605 extended on the sale of personal property or services, if the 606 amount is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or 607 similar document given to the purchaser; 608 4. Any taxes legally imposed directly on the consumer 609 which are separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or 610 similar document given to the purchaser; or means the total 611 amount paid for tangible personal property, including any 612 services that are a part of the sale, valued in money, whether paid in money or otherwise, and includes any amount for which 613 credit is given to the purchaser by the seller, without any 614 615 deduction therefrom on account of the cost of the property sold, 616 cost of materials used, labor or service cost, interest Page 22 of 151

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617 charged, losses, or any other expense whatsoever. "Sales price" 618 also includes the consideration for a transaction which requires 619 both labor and material to alter, remodel, maintain, adjust, or 620 repair tangible personal property. Trade-ins or discounts 621 allowed and taken at the time of sale shall not be included 622 within the purview of this subsection. "Sales price" also 623 includes the full face value of any coupon used by a purchaser 624 to reduce the price paid to a retailer for an item of tangible 625 personal property; where the retailer will be reimbursed for 626 such coupon, in whole or in part, by the manufacturer of the 627 item of tangible personal property; or whenever it is not 628 practicable for the retailer to determine, at the time of sale, 629 the extent to which reimbursement for the coupon will be made. 630 The term "sales price" does not include federal excise taxes 631 imposed upon the retailer on the sale of tangible personal 632 property. The term "sales price" does include federal 633 manufacturers' excise taxes, even if the federal tax is listed 634 as a separate item on the invoice. To the extent required by 635 federal law, the term "sales price" does not include

636 <u>5.</u> Charges for Internet access services which are not 637 itemized on the customer's bill, but which can be reasonably 638 identified from the selling dealer's books and records kept in 639 the regular course of business. The dealer may support the 640 allocation of charges with books and records kept in the regular 641 course of business covering the dealer's entire service area, 642 including territories outside this state.

(36) "Sea trial" means a voyage for the purpose of testing
 repair or modification work, which is in length and scope

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645 reasonably necessary to test repairs or modifications, or a 646 voyage for the purpose of ascertaining the seaworthiness of a 647 vessel. If the sea trial is to test repair or modification work, 648 the owner or repair facility shall certify, in a form required 649 by the department, what repairs have been tested. The owner and 650 the repair facility may also be required to certify that the 651 length and scope of the voyage were reasonably necessary to test 652 the repairs or modifications. 653 (37) "Seller" means a person making sales, leases, or 654 rentals of personal property or services. (38) "Solar energy system" means the equipment and 655 656 requisite hardware that provide and are used for collecting, 657 transferring, converting, storing, or using incident solar 658 energy for water heating, space heating, cooling, or other 659 applications that would otherwise require the use of a 660 conventional source of energy such as petroleum products, 661 natural gas, manufactured gas, or electricity. 662 (39) "Space flight" means any flight designed for 663 suborbital, orbital, or interplanetary travel of a space 664 vehicle, satellite, or station of any kind. 665 (40) "Spaceport activities" means activities directed or 666 sponsored by Space Florida on spaceport territory pursuant to 667 its powers and responsibilities under the Space Florida Act. 668 (17) "Diesel fuel" means any liquid product, gas product, 669 or combination thereof used in an internal combustion engine or motor to propel any form of vehicle, machine, or mechanical 670 contrivance. This term includes, but is not limited to, all 671 672 of fuel commonly or commercially known or sold as diesel Page 24 of 151

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673 fuel or kerosene. However, the term "diesel fuel" does not 674 include butane gas, propane gas, or any other form of liquefied 675 petroleum gas or compressed natural gas. 676 (41) (18) "Storage" means and includes any keeping or 677 retention in this state of tangible personal property for use or 678 consumption in this state or for any purpose other than sale at 679 retail in the regular course of business. 680 (42) "Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement" has the 681 same meaning as in s. 213.256. (43) (19) "Tangible personal property" means and includes 682 683 personal property which may be seen, weighed, measured, or 684 touched or is in any manner perceptible to the senses, including electric power or energy, water, gas, steam, prewritten computer 685 686 software, boats, motor vehicles and mobile homes as defined in 687 s. 320.01(1) and (2), aircraft as defined in s. 330.27, and all 688 other types of vehicles. The term "tangible personal property" 689 does not include stocks, bonds, notes, insurance, or other 690 obligations or securities, any product transferred 691 electronically, or pari-mutuel tickets sold or issued under the 692 racing laws of the state. 693 (44) (20) "Use" means and includes the exercise of any 694 right or power over tangible personal property incident to the ownership thereof, or interest therein, except that it does not 695 include the sale at retail of that property in the regular 696 course of business. The term "use" does not include: 697 (a) 698 The loan of an automobile by a motor vehicle dealer to 699 a high school for use in its driver education and safety 700 program. The term "use" does not include; or Page 25 of 151

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701 (b) A contractor's use of "qualifying property" as defined by paragraph (33) (a) paragraph (14) (a). 702 703 (45) (21) The term "Use tax" referred to in this chapter 704 includes the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the 705 storage as herein defined. 706 (46) "Voluntary seller" or "volunteer seller" means a 707 seller that is not required to register in this state to collect 708 the tax imposed by this chapter. (22) "Spaceport activities" means activities directed or 709 710 sponsored by Space Florida on spaceport territory pursuant to 711 its powers and responsibilities under the Space Florida Act. 712 (23) "Space flight" means any flight designed for 713 suborbital, or interplanetary travel of a space vehicle, satellite, or station of any kind. 714 715 (24) "Coin-operated amusement machine" means any machine 716 operated by coin, slug, token, coupon, or similar device for the 717 purposes of entertainment or amusement. The term includes, but 718 is not limited to, coin-operated pinball machines, music 719 machines, juke boxes, mechanical games, video games, arcade 720 games, billiard tables, moving picture viewers, shooting 721 galleries, and all other similar amusement devices. 722 (25) "Sea trial" means a voyage for the purpose of testing 723 repair or modification work, which is in length and scope 724 reasonably necessary to test repairs or modifications, or a 725 voyage for the purpose of ascertaining the seaworthiness of a 726 vessel. If the sea trial is to test repair or modification work, 727 the owner or repair facility shall certify, in a form required 728 by the department, what repairs have been tested. The owner and Page 26 of 151

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the repair facility may also be required to certify that the length and scope of the voyage were reasonably necessary to test the repairs or modifications. (26) "Solar energy system" means the equipment and requisite hardware that provide and are used for collecting, transferring, converting, storing, or using incident solar energy for water heating, space heating, cooling, or other applications that would otherwise require the use of a conventional source of energy such as petroleum products, natural gas, manufactured gas, or electricity. (27) "Agricultural commodity" means horticultural, aquacultural, poultry and farm products, and livestock and livestock products. (28) "Farmer" means a person who is directly engaged in the business of producing crops, livestock, or other agricultural commodities. The term includes, but is not limited to, horse breeders, nurserymen, dairy farmers, poultry farmers, cattle ranchers, apiarists, and persons raising fish. (29) "Livestock" includes all animals of the equine, bovine, or swine class, including goats, sheep, mules, horses, hogs, cattle, ostriches, and other grazing animals raised for commercial purposes. The term "livestock" shall also include fish raised for commercial purposes. (30) "Power farm equipment" means moving or stationary equipment that contains within itself the means for its own propulsion or power and moving or stationary equipment that is dependent upon an external power source to perform its functions.

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757	(31) "Forest" means the land stocked by trees of any size
758	used in the production of forest products, or formerly having
759	such tree cover, and not currently developed for nonforest use.
760	(32) "Agricultural production" means the production of
761	plants and animals useful to humans, including the preparation,
762	planting, cultivating, or harvesting of these products or any
763	other practices necessary to accomplish production through the
764	harvest phase, and includes aquaculture, horticulture,
765	floriculture, viticulture, forestry, dairy, livestock, poultry,
766	bees, and any and all forms of farm products and farm
767	production.
768	(33) "Qualified aircraft" means any aircraft having a
769	maximum certified takeoff weight of less than 10,000 pounds and
770	equipped with twin turbofan engines that meet Stage IV noise
771	requirements that is used by a business operating as an on-
772	demand air carrier under Federal Aviation Administration
773	Regulation Title 14, chapter I, part 135, Code of Federal
774	Regulations, that owns or leases and operates a fleet of at
775	least 25 of such aircraft in this state.
776	Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (7) of section
777	212.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
778	212.03 Transient rentals tax; rate, procedure,
779	enforcement, exemptions
780	(7)
781	(c) The rental of <u>facilities in a trailer camp</u> , mobile
782	home park, or recreational vehicle park facilities, as defined
783	in s. 212.02 <u>(23)</u> (10)(f), which are intended primarily for rental
784	as a principal or permanent place of residence is exempt from
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785 the tax imposed by this chapter. The rental of such facilities 786 that primarily serve transient guests is not exempt by this 787 subsection. In the application of this law, or in making any 788 determination against the exemption, the department shall 789 consider the facility as primarily serving transient guests 790 unless the facility owner makes a verified declaration on a form 791 prescribed by the department that more than half of the total 792 rental units available are occupied by tenants who have a 793 continuous residence in excess of 3 months. The owner of a 794 facility declared to be exempt by this paragraph must make a 795 determination of the taxable status of the facility at the end 796 of the owner's accounting year using any consecutive 3-month period at least one month of which is in the accounting year. 797 798 The owner must use a selected consecutive 3-month period during 799 each annual redetermination. In the event that an exempt 800 facility no longer qualifies for exemption by this paragraph, 801 the owner must notify the department on a form prescribed by the 802 department by the 20th day of the first month of the owner's 803 next succeeding accounting year that the facility no longer 804 qualifies for such exemption. The tax levied by this section 805 shall apply to the rental of facilities that no longer qualify 806 for exemption under this paragraph beginning the first day of 807 the owner's next succeeding accounting year. The provisions of 808 this paragraph do not apply to mobile home lots regulated under 809 chapter 723. Subsection (6) of section 212.0306, Florida 810 Section 3.

811 Statutes, is amended to read:

812 212.0306 Local option food and beverage tax; procedure for Page 29 of 151

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813 levying; authorized uses; administration.--

(6) Any county levying a tax authorized by this section
must locally administer the tax using the powers and duties
enumerated for local administration of the tourist development
tax by s. 125.0104, 1992 Supplement to the Florida Statutes
1991. The county's ordinance shall also provide for brackets
applicable to taxable transactions.

820 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section821 212.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

822 212.04 Admissions tax; rate, procedure, enforcement.--823 (1)

824 For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied at (b) 825 the rate of 6 percent of sales price, or the actual value 826 received from such admissions, which 6 percent shall be added to and collected with all such admissions from the purchaser 827 828 thereof, and such tax shall be paid for the exercise of the 829 privilege as defined in the preceding paragraph. Each ticket 830 must show on its face the actual sales price of the admission, 831 or each dealer selling the admission must prominently display at 832 the box office or other place where the admission charge is made 833 a notice disclosing the price of the admission, and the tax 834 shall be computed and collected on the basis of the actual price 835 of the admission charged by the dealer. The sale price or actual 836 value of admission shall, for the purpose of this chapter, be that price remaining after deduction of federal taxes and state 837 838 or locally imposed or authorized seat surcharges, taxes, or 839 fees, if any, imposed upon such admission. The sale price or 840 actual value does not include separately stated ticket service

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841 charges that are imposed by a facility ticket office or a 842 ticketing service and added to a separately stated, established 843 ticket price. The rate of tax on each admission shall be 844 according to the brackets established by s. 212.12(9). 845 Section 5. Subsections (6) through (11) of section 846 212.0506, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 847 212.0506 Taxation of service warranties .--848 (6) This tax shall be due and payable according to the brackets set forth in s. 212.12. 849 850 (6) (7) This tax shall not apply to any portion of the 851 consideration received by any person in connection with the 852 issuance of any service warranty contract upon which such person 853 is required to pay any premium tax imposed under the Florida 854 Insurance Code or under s. 634.313(1). 855 (7) (8) If a transaction involves both the issuance of a 856 service warranty that is subject to such tax and the issuance of 857 a warranty, guaranty, extended warranty or extended guaranty, 858 contract, agreement, or other written promise that is not 859 subject to such tax, the consideration shall be separately 860 identified and stated with respect to the taxable and nontaxable 861 portions of the transaction. If the consideration is separately 862 apportioned and identified in good faith, such tax shall apply 863 to the transaction to the extent that the consideration received 864 or to be received in connection with the transaction is payment for a service warranty subject to such tax. If the consideration 865 866 is not apportioned in good faith, the department may reform the 867 contract; such reformation by the department is to be considered prima facie correct, and the burden to show the contrary rests 868

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869 upon the dealer. If the consideration for such a transaction is 870 not separately identified and stated, the entire transaction is 871 taxable.

872 <u>(8)(9)</u> Any claim which arises under a service warranty 873 taxable under this section, which claim is paid directly by the 874 person issuing such warranty, is not subject to any tax imposed 875 under this chapter.

876 <u>(9)(10)</u> Materials and supplies used in the performance of 877 a factory or manufacturer's warranty are exempt if the contract 878 is furnished at no extra charge with the equipment guaranteed 879 thereunder and such materials and supplies are paid for by the 880 factory or manufacturer.

881 <u>(10)(11)</u> Any duties imposed by this chapter upon dealers 882 of tangible personal property with respect to collecting and 883 remitting taxes; making returns; keeping books, records, and 884 accounts; and complying with the rules and regulations of the 885 department apply to all dealers as defined in s. 212.06(2)(1).

886 Section 6. Section 212.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to 887 read:

888 212.05 Sales, storage, use tax.--It is hereby declared to 889 be the legislative intent that every person is exercising a 890 taxable privilege who engages in the business of selling 891 tangible personal property at retail in this state, including 892 the business of making mail order sales, or who rents or furnishes any of the things or services taxable under this 893 chapter, or who stores for use or consumption in this state any 894 item or article of tangible personal property as defined herein 895 896 and who leases or rents such property within the state.

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897 (1) For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied on
898 each taxable transaction or incident, which tax is due and
899 payable as follows:

900 (a)1.a. At the rate of 6 percent of the sales price of 901 each item or article of tangible personal property when sold at 902 retail in this state, computed on each taxable sale for the 903 purpose of remitting the amount of tax due the state, and 904 including each and every retail sale.

905 b. Each occasional or isolated sale of an aircraft, boat, mobile home, or motor vehicle of a class or type which is 906 907 required to be registered, licensed, titled, or documented in 908 this state or by the United States Government shall be subject 909 to tax at the rate provided in this paragraph. The department 910 shall by rule adopt any nationally recognized publication for valuation of used motor vehicles as the reference price list for 911 912 any used motor vehicle which is required to be licensed pursuant 913 to s. 320.08(1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (c), or (e), or (9). If any 914 party to an occasional or isolated sale of such a vehicle 915 reports to the tax collector a sales price which is less than 80 916 percent of the average loan price for the specified model and 917 year of such vehicle as listed in the most recent reference 918 price list, the tax levied under this paragraph shall be 919 computed by the department on such average loan price unless the 920 parties to the sale have provided to the tax collector an 921 affidavit signed by each party, or other substantial proof, stating the actual sales price. Any party to such sale who 922 reports a sales price less than the actual sales price is quilty 923 924 of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in

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925 s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. The department shall collect or 926 attempt to collect from such party any delinquent sales taxes. 927 In addition, such party shall pay any tax due and any penalty 928 and interest assessed plus a penalty equal to twice the amount 929 of the additional tax owed. Notwithstanding any other provision 930 of law, the Department of Revenue may waive or compromise any 931 penalty imposed pursuant to this subparagraph.

932 2. This paragraph does not apply to the sale of a boat or 933 aircraft by or through a registered dealer under this chapter to 934 a purchaser who, at the time of taking delivery, is a 935 nonresident of this state, does not make his or her permanent 936 place of abode in this state, and is not engaged in carrying on in this state any employment, trade, business, or profession in 937 938 which the boat or aircraft will be used in this state, or is a corporation none of the officers or directors of which is a 939 940 resident of, or makes his or her permanent place of abode in, 941 this state, or is a noncorporate entity that has no individual 942 vested with authority to participate in the management, 943 direction, or control of the entity's affairs who is a resident 944 of, or makes his or her permanent abode in, this state. For 945 purposes of this exemption, either a registered dealer acting on 946 his or her own behalf as seller, a registered dealer acting as 947 broker on behalf of a seller, or a registered dealer acting as 948 broker on behalf of the purchaser may be deemed to be the selling dealer. This exemption shall not be allowed unless: 949 The purchaser removes a qualifying boat, as described 950 a.

951 in sub-subparagraph f., from the state within 90 days after the 952 date of purchase or extension, or the purchaser removes a

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953 nonqualifying boat or an aircraft from this state within 10 days 954 after the date of purchase or, when the boat or aircraft is 955 repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of the 956 repairs or alterations;

957 The purchaser, within 30 days from the date of b. 958 departure, shall provide the department with written proof that 959 the purchaser licensed, registered, titled, or documented the 960 boat or aircraft outside the state. If such written proof is 961 unavailable, within 30 days the purchaser shall provide proof 962 that the purchaser applied for such license, title, 963 registration, or documentation. The purchaser shall forward to 964 the department proof of title, license, registration, or 965 documentation upon receipt;

966 c. The purchaser, within 10 days of removing the boat or 967 aircraft from Florida, shall furnish the department with proof 968 of removal in the form of receipts for fuel, dockage, slippage, 969 tie-down, or hangaring from outside of Florida. The information 970 so provided must clearly and specifically identify the boat or 971 aircraft;

972 d. The selling dealer, within 5 days of the date of sale, 973 shall provide to the department a copy of the sales invoice, 974 closing statement, bills of sale, and the original affidavit 975 signed by the purchaser attesting that he or she has read the 976 provisions of this section;

977 e. The seller makes a copy of the affidavit a part of his 978 or her record for as long as required by s. 213.35; and

979 f. Unless the nonresident purchaser of a boat of 5 net 980 tons of admeasurement or larger intends to remove the boat from

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981 this state within 10 days after the date of purchase or when the 982 boat is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of 983 the repairs or alterations, the nonresident purchaser shall 984 apply to the selling dealer for a decal which authorizes 90 days 985 after the date of purchase for removal of the boat. The 986 nonresident purchaser of a qualifying boat may apply to the 987 selling dealer within 60 days after the date of purchase for an extension decal that authorizes the boat to remain in this state 988 989 for an additional 90 days, but not more than a total of 180 990 days, before the nonresident purchaser is required to pay the 991 tax imposed by this chapter. The department is authorized to 992 issue decals in advance to dealers. The number of decals issued 993 in advance to a dealer shall be consistent with the volume of 994 the dealer's past sales of boats which qualify under this sub-995 subparagraph. The selling dealer or his or her agent shall mark 996 and affix the decals to qualifying boats in the manner 997 prescribed by the department, prior to delivery of the boat.

998 (I) The department is hereby authorized to charge dealers
999 a fee sufficient to recover the costs of decals issued, except
1000 the extension decal shall cost \$425.

1001 (II) The proceeds from the sale of decals will be 1002 deposited into the administrative trust fund.

(III) Decals shall display information to identify the boat as a qualifying boat under this sub-subparagraph, including, but not limited to, the decal's date of expiration.

(IV) The department is authorized to require dealers who purchase decals to file reports with the department and may prescribe all necessary records by rule. All such records are

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1009 subject to inspection by the department.

1010 (V) Any dealer or his or her agent who issues a decal 1011 falsely, fails to affix a decal, mismarks the expiration date of 1012 a decal, or fails to properly account for decals will be 1013 considered prima facie to have committed a fraudulent act to 1014 evade the tax and will be liable for payment of the tax plus a 1015 mandatory penalty of 200 percent of the tax, and shall be liable 1016 for fine and punishment as provided by law for a conviction of a 1017 misdemeanor of the first degree, as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 1018

1019 Any nonresident purchaser of a boat who removes a (VI) 1020 decal prior to permanently removing the boat from the state, or defaces, changes, modifies, or alters a decal in a manner 1021 affecting its expiration date prior to its expiration, or who 1022 1023 causes or allows the same to be done by another, will be considered prima facie to have committed a fraudulent act to 1024 1025 evade the tax and will be liable for payment of the tax plus a 1026 mandatory penalty of 200 percent of the tax, and shall be liable 1027 for fine and punishment as provided by law for a conviction of a misdemeanor of the first degree, as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 1028 1029 775.083.

1030 (VII) The department is authorized to adopt rules 1031 necessary to administer and enforce this subparagraph and to 1032 publish the necessary forms and instructions.

(VIII) The department is hereby authorized to adopt emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4) to administer and enforce the provisions of this subparagraph.

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1037 If the purchaser fails to remove the qualifying boat from this 1038 state within the maximum 180 days after purchase or a 1039 nonqualifying boat or an aircraft from this state within 10 days 1040 after purchase or, when the boat or aircraft is repaired or 1041 altered, within 20 days after completion of such repairs or 1042 alterations, or permits the boat or aircraft to return to this 1043 state within 6 months from the date of departure, or if the 1044 purchaser fails to furnish the department with any of the 1045 documentation required by this subparagraph within the 1046 prescribed time period, the purchaser shall be liable for use 1047 tax on the cost price of the boat or aircraft and, in addition 1048 thereto, payment of a penalty to the Department of Revenue equal 1049 to the tax payable. This penalty shall be in lieu of the penalty 1050 imposed by s. 212.12(2) and is mandatory and shall not be waived 1051 by the department. The maximum 180-day period following the sale 1052 of a qualifying boat tax-exempt to a nonresident may not be 1053 tolled for any reason. Notwithstanding other provisions of this 1054 paragraph to the contrary, an aircraft purchased in this state 1055 under the provisions of this paragraph may be returned to this 1056 state for repairs within 6 months after the date of its 1057 departure without being in violation of the law and without 1058 incurring liability for the payment of tax or penalty on the 1059 purchase price of the aircraft if the aircraft is removed from 1060 this state within 20 days after the completion of the repairs 1061 and if such removal can be demonstrated by invoices for fuel, 1062 tie-down, hangar charges issued by out-of-state vendors or 1063 suppliers, or similar documentation. 1064

(b) At the rate of 6 percent of the cost price of each **Page 38 of 151**

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1065 item or article of tangible personal property when the same is 1066 not sold but is used, consumed, distributed, or stored for use 1067 or consumption in this state; however, for tangible property 1068 originally purchased exempt from tax for use exclusively for 1069 lease and which is converted to the owner's own use, tax may be 1070 paid on the fair market value of the property at the time of 1071 conversion. If the fair market value of the property cannot be 1072 determined, use tax at the time of conversion shall be based on 1073 the owner's acquisition cost. Under no circumstances may the 1074 aggregate amount of sales tax from leasing the property and use 1075 tax due at the time of conversion be less than the total sales 1076 tax that would have been due on the original acquisition cost 1077 paid by the owner.

1078 (c) At the rate of 6 percent of the gross proceeds derived 1079 from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, as 1080 defined herein; however, the following special provisions apply 1081 to the lease or rental of motor vehicles:

1082 1. When a motor vehicle is leased or rented for a period 1083 of less than 12 months:

1084 a. If the motor vehicle is rented in Florida, the entire
1085 amount of such rental is taxable, even if the vehicle is dropped
1086 off in another state.

b. If the motor vehicle is rented in another state and
dropped off in Florida, the rental is exempt from Florida tax.
2. Except as provided in subparagraph 3., for the lease or
rental of a motor vehicle for a period of not less than 12
months, sales tax is due on the lease or rental payments if the
vehicle is registered in this state; provided, however, that no
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1093 tax shall be due if the taxpayer documents use of the motor 1094 vehicle outside this state and tax is being paid on the lease or 1095 rental payments in another state.

1096 3. The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply to the 1097 lease or rental of a commercial motor vehicle as defined in 316.003(66)(a) to one lessee or rentee for a period of not less 1098 1099 than 12 months when tax was paid on the purchase price of such 1100 vehicle by the lessor. To the extent tax was paid with respect 1101 to the purchase of such vehicle in another state, territory of 1102 the United States, or the District of Columbia, the Florida tax 1103 payable shall be reduced in accordance with the provisions of s. 1104 212.06(7). This subparagraph shall only be available when the 1105 lease or rental of such property is an established business or 1106 part of an established business or the same is incidental or 1107 germane to such business.

(d) At the rate of 6 percent of the lease or rental price paid by a lessee or rentee, or contracted or agreed to be paid by a lessee or rentee, to the owner of the tangible personal property.

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(e)1. At the rate of 6 percent on charges for:

a. Prepaid calling arrangements. The tax on charges forprepaid calling arrangements shall be collected at the time ofsale and remitted by the selling dealer.

(I) "Prepaid calling arrangement" means the separately stated retail sale by advance payment of communications services that consist exclusively of telephone calls originated by using an access number, authorization code, or other means that may be manually, electronically, or otherwise entered and that are sold

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1121 in predetermined units or dollars whose number declines with use
1122 in a known amount.

1123 The sale or recharge of the prepaid calling (II)1124 arrangement is deemed to take place in accordance with s. 1125 212.06(17)(d) If the sale or recharge of the prepaid calling arrangement does not take place at the dealer's place of 1126 1127 it shall be deemed to take place at the customer's business, 1128 shipping address or, if no item is shipped, at the customer's 1129 address or the location associated with the customer's mobile 1130 telephone number.

(III) The sale or recharge of a prepaid calling arrangement shall be treated as a sale of tangible personal property for purposes of this chapter, whether or not a tangible item evidencing such arrangement is furnished to the purchaser, and such sale within this state subjects the selling dealer to the jurisdiction of this state for purposes of this subsection.

1137 b. The installation of telecommunication and telegraphic 1138 equipment.

1139 c. Electrical power or energy, except that the tax rate 1140 for charges for electrical power or energy is 7 percent.

1141 2. The provisions of s. 212.17(3), regarding credit for 1142 tax paid on charges subsequently found to be worthless, shall be 1143 equally applicable to any tax paid under the provisions of this section on charges for prepaid calling arrangements, 1144 1145 telecommunication or telegraph services, or electric power 1146 subsequently found to be uncollectible. The word "charges" in this paragraph does not include any excise or similar tax levied 1147 by the Federal Government, any political subdivision of the 1148

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1149 state, or any municipality upon the purchase, sale, or recharge 1150 of prepaid calling arrangements or upon the purchase or sale of 1151 telecommunication, television system program, or telegraph 1152 service or electric power, which tax is collected by the seller 1153 from the purchaser.

(f) At the rate of 6 percent on the sale, rental, use, consumption, or storage for use in this state of machines and equipment, and parts and accessories therefor, used in manufacturing, processing, compounding, producing, mining, or quarrying personal property for sale or to be used in furnishing communications, transportation, or public utility services.

1160 (g)1. At the rate of 6 percent on the retail price of 1161 newspapers and magazines sold or used in Florida.

1162 2. Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, 1163 inserts of printed materials which are distributed with a 1164 newspaper or magazine are a component part of the newspaper or 1165 magazine, and neither the sale nor use of such inserts is 1166 subject to tax when:

a. Printed by a newspaper or magazine publisher or commercial printer and distributed as a component part of a newspaper or magazine, which means that the items after being printed are delivered directly to a newspaper or magazine publisher by the printer for inclusion in editions of the distributed newspaper or magazine;

b. Such publications are labeled as part of the designated newspaper or magazine publication into which they are to be inserted; and

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c. The purchaser of the insert presents a resale Page 42 of 151

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1177 certificate to the vendor stating that the inserts are to be 1178 distributed as a component part of a newspaper or magazine.

1179 (h)1. A tax is imposed at the rate of 4 percent on the 1180 charges for the use of coin-operated amusement machines. The tax 1181 shall be calculated by dividing the gross receipts from such 1182 charges for the applicable reporting period by a divisor, 1183 determined as provided in this subparagraph, to compute gross 1184 taxable sales, and then subtracting gross taxable sales from 1185 gross receipts to arrive at the amount of tax due. For counties 1186 that do not impose a discretionary sales surtax, the divisor is 1187 equal to 1.04; for counties that impose a 0.5 percent 1188 discretionary sales surtax, the divisor is equal to 1.045; for 1189 counties that impose a 1 percent discretionary sales surtax, the 1190 divisor is equal to 1.050; and for counties that impose a 2 1191 percent sales surtax, the divisor is equal to 1.060. If a county 1192 imposes a discretionary sales surtax that is not listed in this 1193 subparagraph, the department shall make the applicable divisor 1194 available in an electronic format or otherwise. Additional 1195 divisors shall bear the same mathematical relationship to the next higher and next lower divisors as the new surtax rate bears 1196 1197 to the next higher and next lower surtax rates for which 1198 divisors have been established. When a machine is activated by a 1199 slug, token, coupon, or any similar device which has been 1200 purchased, the tax is on the price paid by the user of the device for such device. 1201

1202 2. As used in this paragraph, the term "operator" means 1203 any person who possesses a coin-operated amusement machine for 1204 the purpose of generating sales through that machine and who is

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1205 responsible for removing the receipts from the machine.

a. If the owner of the machine is also the operator of it,
he or she shall be liable for payment of the tax without any
deduction for rent or a license fee paid to a location owner for
the use of any real property on which the machine is located.

b. If the owner or lessee of the machine is also its operator, he or she shall be liable for payment of the tax on the purchase or lease of the machine, as well as the tax on sales generated through the machine.

1214 c. If the proprietor of the business where the machine is 1215 located does not own the machine, he or she shall be deemed to 1216 be the lessee and operator of the machine and is responsible for 1217 the payment of the tax on sales, unless such responsibility is 1218 otherwise provided for in a written agreement between him or her 1219 and the machine owner.

1220 3.a. An operator of a coin-operated amusement machine may 1221 not operate or cause to be operated in this state any such 1222 machine until the operator has registered with the department 1223 and has conspicuously displayed an identifying certificate 1224 issued by the department. The identifying certificate shall be 1225 issued by the department upon application from the operator. The 1226 identifying certificate shall include a unique number, and the 1227 certificate shall be permanently marked with the operator's 1228 name, the operator's sales tax number, and the maximum number of 1229 machines to be operated under the certificate. An identifying 1230 certificate shall not be transferred from one operator to 1231 another. The identifying certificate must be conspicuously 1232 displayed on the premises where the coin-operated amusement

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1233 machines are being operated.

1234 b. The operator of the machine must obtain an identifying 1235 certificate before the machine is first operated in the state 1236 and by July 1 of each year thereafter. The annual fee for each 1237 certificate shall be based on the number of machines identified on the application times \$30 and is due and payable upon 1238 application for the identifying device. The application shall 1239 1240 contain the operator's name, sales tax number, business address 1241 where the machines are being operated, and the number of 1242 machines in operation at that place of business by the operator. 1243 No operator may operate more machines than are listed on the 1244 certificate. A new certificate is required if more machines are 1245 being operated at that location than are listed on the 1246 certificate. The fee for the new certificate shall be based on 1247 the number of additional machines identified on the application 1248 form times \$30.

1249 c. A penalty of \$250 per machine is imposed on the 1250 operator for failing to properly obtain and display the required 1251 identifying certificate. A penalty of \$250 is imposed on the 1252 lessee of any machine placed in a place of business without a 1253 proper current identifying certificate. Such penalties shall 1254 apply in addition to all other applicable taxes, interest, and 1255 penalties.

d. Operators of coin-operated amusement machines must
obtain a separate sales and use tax certificate of registration
for each county in which such machines are located. One sales
and use tax certificate of registration is sufficient for all of
the operator's machines within a single county.

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1261 4. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to coin-1262 operated amusement machines owned and operated by churches or 1263 synagogues.

5. In addition to any other penalties imposed by this chapter, a person who knowingly and willfully violates any provision of this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

1268 6. The department may adopt rules necessary to administer 1269 the provisions of this paragraph.

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(i)1. At the rate of 6 percent on charges for all:

1271 Detective, burglar protection, and other protection a. 1272 services (NAICS National Numbers 561611, 561612, 561613, and 1273 561621). Any law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10, 1274 who is performing approved duties as determined by his or her 1275 local law enforcement agency in his or her capacity as a law 1276 enforcement officer, and who is subject to the direct and 1277 immediate command of his or her law enforcement agency, and in 1278 the law enforcement officer's uniform as authorized by his or 1279 her law enforcement agency, is performing law enforcement and public safety services and is not performing detective, burglar 1280 1281 protection, or other protective services, if the law enforcement 1282 officer is performing his or her approved duties in a 1283 geographical area in which the law enforcement officer has 1284 arrest jurisdiction. Such law enforcement and public safety 1285 services are not subject to tax irrespective of whether the duty is characterized as "extra duty," "off-duty," or "secondary 1286 employment," and irrespective of whether the officer is paid 1287 1288 directly or through the officer's agency by an outside source.

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1289 The term "law enforcement officer" includes full-time or part-1290 time law enforcement officers, and any auxiliary law enforcement 1291 officer, when such auxiliary law enforcement officer is working 1292 under the direct supervision of a full-time or part-time law 1293 enforcement officer.

b. Nonresidential cleaning and nonresidential pest controlservices (NAICS National Numbers 561710 and 561720).

1296 2. As used in this paragraph, "NAICS" means those 1297 classifications contained in the North American Industry 1298 Classification System, as published in 2007 by the Office of 1299 Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.

1300 3. Charges for detective, burglar protection, and other 1301 protection security services performed in this state but used 1302 outside this state are exempt from taxation. Charges for 1303 detective, burglar protection, and other protection security 1304 services performed outside this state and used in this state are 1305 subject to tax.

1306 If a transaction involves both the sale or use of a 4. 1307 service taxable under this paragraph and the sale or use of a service or any other item not taxable under this chapter, the 1308 1309 consideration paid must be separately identified and stated with 1310 respect to the taxable and exempt portions of the transaction or 1311 the entire transaction shall be presumed taxable. The burden 1312 shall be on the seller of the service or the purchaser of the 1313 service, whichever applicable, to overcome this presumption by 1314 providing documentary evidence as to which portion of the 1315 transaction is exempt from tax. The department is authorized to 1316 adjust the amount of consideration identified as the taxable and

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1317 exempt portions of the transaction; however, a determination 1318 that the taxable and exempt portions are inaccurately stated and 1319 that the adjustment is applicable must be supported by 1320 substantial competent evidence.

1321 Each seller of services subject to sales tax pursuant 5. 1322 to this paragraph shall maintain a monthly log showing each 1323 transaction for which sales tax was not collected because the services meet the requirements of subparagraph 3. for out-of-1324 1325 state use. The log must identify the purchaser's name, location 1326 and mailing address, and federal employer identification number, 1327 if a business, or the social security number, if an individual, the service sold, the price of the service, the date of sale, 1328 1329 the reason for the exemption, and the sales invoice number. The 1330 monthly log shall be maintained pursuant to the same 1331 requirements and subject to the same penalties imposed for the 1332 keeping of similar records pursuant to this chapter.

1333 (j)1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, 1334 there is hereby levied a tax on the sale, use, consumption, or 1335 storage for use in this state of any coin or currency, whether in circulation or not, when such coin or currency: 1336

1337 a.

Is not legal tender;

1338 If legal tender, is sold, exchanged, or traded at a b. 1339 rate in excess of its face value; or

1340 Is sold, exchanged, or traded at a rate based on its с. 1341 precious metal content.

1342 2. Such tax shall be at a rate of 6 percent of the price 1343 at which the coin or currency is sold, exchanged, or traded, except that, with respect to a coin or currency which is legal 1344

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1345 tender of the United States and which is sold, exchanged, or 1346 traded, such tax shall not be levied.

1347 3. There are exempt from this tax exchanges of coins or 1348 currency which are in general circulation in, and legal tender 1349 of, one nation for coins or currency which are in general 1350 circulation in, and legal tender of, another nation when 1351 exchanged solely for use as legal tender and at an exchange rate 1352 based on the relative value of each as a medium of exchange.

1353 4. With respect to any transaction that involves the sale 1354 of coins or currency taxable under this paragraph in which the 1355 taxable amount represented by the sale of such coins or currency 1356 exceeds \$500, the entire amount represented by the sale of such 1357 coins or currency is exempt from the tax imposed under this 1358 paragraph. The dealer must maintain proper documentation, as prescribed by rule of the department, to identify that portion 1359 1360 of a transaction which involves the sale of coins or currency and is exempt under this subparagraph. 1361

(k) At the rate of 6 percent of the sales price of each gallon of diesel fuel not taxed under chapter 206 purchased for use in a vessel.

(1) Florists located in this state are liable for sales tax on sales to retail customers regardless of where or by whom the items sold are to be delivered. Florists located in this state are not liable for sales tax on payments received from other florists for items delivered to customers in this state.

(m) Operators of game concessions or other concessionaires
who customarily award tangible personal property as prizes may,
in lieu of paying tax on the cost price of such property, pay

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1373 tax on 25 percent of the gross receipts from such concession 1374 activity.

1375 (2) The tax shall be collected by the dealer, as defined 1376 herein, and remitted by the dealer to the state at the time and 1377 in the manner as hereinafter provided.

1378 (3) The tax so levied is in addition to all other taxes,
1379 whether levied in the form of excise, license, or privilege
1380 taxes, and in addition to all other fees and taxes levied.

1381 (4) The tax imposed pursuant to this chapter shall be due 1382 and payable according to the brackets set forth in s. 212.12.

1383 Section 7. Section 212.054, Florida Statutes, is amended 1384 to read:

1385 212.054 Discretionary sales surtax; limitations, 1386 administration, and collection.--

(1) <u>A No general excise tax on sales may not shall be</u>
levied by the governing body of any county unless specifically
authorized in s. 212.055. Any general excise tax on sales
authorized pursuant to said section shall be administered and
collected exclusively as provided in this section.

The tax imposed by the governing body of any county 1392 (2) (a) 1393 authorized to so levy pursuant to s. 212.055 shall be a 1394 discretionary surtax on all transactions occurring in the county 1395 which transactions are subject to the state tax imposed on 1396 sales, use, services, rentals, admissions, and other 1397 transactions by this chapter and communications services as 1398 defined for purposes of chapter 202. The surtax, if levied, 1399 shall be computed as the applicable rate or rates authorized 1400 pursuant to s. 212.055 times the amount of taxable sales and

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1401 taxable purchases representing such transactions. If the surtax 1402 is levied on the sale of an item of tangible personal property 1403 or on the sale of a service, the surtax shall be computed by 1404 multiplying the rate imposed by the county within which the sale 1405 occurs by the amount of the taxable sale. The sale of an item of 1406 tangible personal property or the sale of a service is not 1407 subject to the surtax if the property, the service, or the tangible personal property representing the service is delivered 1408 1409 within a county that does not impose a discretionary sales 1410 surtax. 1411 (b) However: 1412 The sales amount above \$5,000 on a motor vehicle, 1. 1413 aircraft, boat, manufactured home, modular home, or mobile home 1414 is any item of tangible personal property shall not be subject 1415 to the surtax. However, charges for prepaid calling arrangements, as defined in s. 212.05(1)(c)1.a., shall be 1416 1417 subject to the surtax. For purposes of administering the \$5,000 1418 limitation on an item of tangible personal property, if two or 1419 more taxable items of tangible personal property are sold to the 1420 same purchaser at the same time and, under generally accepted 1421 business practice or industry standards or usage, are normally 1422 sold in bulk or are items that, when assembled, comprise a 1423 working unit or part of a working unit, such items must be 1424 considered a single item for purposes of the \$5,000 limitation 1425 when supported by a charge ticket, sales slip, invoice, or other tangible evidence of a single sale or rental. 1426 In the case of utility services covering a period 1427 2. 1428 starting before and ending after the effective date of the

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1429 surtax, the rate applies as follows: 1430 In the case of a rate adoption or increase, the new a. 1431 rate applies to the first billing period starting on or after 1432 the effective date of the surtax adoption or increase. 1433 In the case of a rate decrease or termination, the new b. 1434 rate applies to bills rendered on or after the effective date of 1435 the rate change billed on or after the effective date of any 1436 such surtax, the entire amount of the charge for utility 1437 services shall be subject to the surtax. In the case of utility 1438 services billed after the last day the surtax is in effect, the 1439 entire amount of the charge on said items shall not be subject 1440 to the surtax. "Utility service," as used in this section, does 1441 not include any communications services as defined in chapter 1442 202.

1443 3. In the case of written contracts which are signed prior 1444 to the effective date of any such surtax for the construction of improvements to real property or for remodeling of existing 1445 1446 structures, the surtax shall be paid by the contractor 1447 responsible for the performance of the contract. However, the contractor may apply for one refund of any such surtax paid on 1448 1449 materials necessary for the completion of the contract. Any 1450 application for refund shall be made no later than 15 months 1451 following initial imposition of the surtax in that county. The 1452 application for refund shall be in the manner prescribed by the department by rule. A complete application shall include proof 1453 of the written contract and of payment of the surtax. The 1454 1455 application shall contain a sworn statement, signed by the 1456 applicant or its representative, attesting to the validity of

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1457 the application. The department shall, within 30 days after 1458 approval of a complete application, certify to the county 1459 information necessary for issuance of a refund to the applicant. 1460 Counties are hereby authorized to issue refunds for this purpose 1461 and shall set aside from the proceeds of the surtax a sum 1462 sufficient to pay any refund lawfully due. Any person who 1463 fraudulently obtains or attempts to obtain a refund pursuant to this subparagraph, in addition to being liable for repayment of 1464 1465 any refund fraudulently obtained plus a mandatory penalty of 100 percent of the refund, is guilty of a felony of the third 1466 1467 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 1468 775.084.

In the case of any vessel, railroad, or motor vehicle 1469 4. 1470 common carrier entitled to partial exemption from tax imposed 1471 under this chapter pursuant to s. 212.08(4), (8), or (9), the 1472 basis for imposition of surtax shall be the same as provided in 1473 s. 212.08 and the ratio shall be applied each month to total 1474 purchases in this state of property qualified for proration 1475 which is delivered or sold in the taxing county to establish the 1476 portion used and consumed in intracounty movement and subject to 1477 surtax.

1478 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a surtax
1479 applies to a retail sale, lease, or rental of tangible personal
1480 property, a digital good, or a service when, under s.
1481 212.06(17), the transaction occurs in a county that imposes a
1482 surtax under s. 212.055.
1483 (4) (3) To determine whether a transaction occurs in a
1484 county imposing a surtax, the following provisions apply For the

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1485 purpose of this section, a transaction shall be deemed to have 1486 occurred in a county imposing the surtax when: 1487 (a) 1. The retail sale of a modular or manufactured home, 1488 not including a mobile home, occurs in the county to which the 1489 house is delivered includes an item of tangible personal 1490 property, a service, or tangible personal property representing 1491 a service, and the item of tangible personal property, the 1492 service, or the tangible personal property representing the 1493 service is delivered within the county. If there is no 1494 reasonable evidence of delivery of a service, the sale of a 1495 service is deemed to occur in the county in which the purchaser 1496 accepts the bill of sale. 1497 (b) 2. The retail sale, excluding a lease or rental, of any 1498 motor vehicle that does not qualify as transportation equipment, as defined in s. 212.06(17)(g), or the retail sale of a of any 1499 1500 motor vehicle or mobile home of a class or type that which is required to be registered in this state or in any other state is 1501 1502 shall be deemed to occur have occurred only in the county 1503 identified from as the residence address of the purchaser on the 1504 registration or title document for the such property. 1505 (c) (b) Admission charged for an event occurs The event for 1506 which an admission is charged is located in the county in which 1507 the event is held. 1508 (d) (c) A lease or rental of real property occurs in the 1509 county in which the real property is located. The consumer of utility services is located in the county. 1510 1511 The retail sale, excluding a lease or rental, of (e)(d)1.

1512 any aircraft that does not qualify as transportation equipment,

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1513 <u>as defined in s. 212.06(17)(g), or of any boat of a class or</u> 1514 <u>type that is required to be registered, licensed, titled, or</u> 1515 <u>documented in this state or by the United States Government</u> 1516 occurs in the county to which the aircraft or boat is delivered.

1517 <u>2.</u> The user of any aircraft or boat of a class or type 1518 <u>that which</u> is required to be registered, licensed, titled, or 1519 documented in this state or by the United States Government 1520 imported into the county for use, consumption, distribution, or 1521 storage to be used or consumed <u>occurs</u> in the county <u>in which the</u> 1522 <u>user</u> is located <u>in the county</u>.

1523 <u>3.2.</u> However, it shall be presumed that such items used 1524 outside the county <u>imposing the surtax</u> for 6 months or longer 1525 before being imported into the county were not purchased for use 1526 in the county, except as provided in s. 212.06(8)(b).

1527 <u>4.3.</u> This paragraph does not apply to the use or
1528 consumption of items upon which a like tax of equal or greater
1529 amount has been lawfully imposed and paid outside the county.

1530 <u>(f) (e)</u> The <u>purchase</u> purchaser of any motor vehicle or 1531 mobile home of a class or type <u>that</u> which is required to be 1532 registered in this state <u>occurs in the county identified from</u> 1533 <u>the residential address of the purchaser</u> is a resident of the 1534 taxing county as determined by the address appearing on or to be 1535 <u>reflected</u> on the registration document for <u>the</u> such property.

1536 <u>(g) (f)</u>1. The use, consumption, distribution, or storage of 1537 <u>a Any</u> motor vehicle or mobile home of a class or type <u>that</u> which 1538 is required to be registered in this state <u>and that</u> is imported 1539 from another state <u>occurs in the county to which it is imported</u> 1540 <u>into the taxing county by a user residing therein for the</u>

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1541 purpose of use, consumption, distribution, or storage in the 1542 taxing county.

1543 2. However, it shall be presumed that such items used 1544 outside the taxing county for 6 months or longer before being 1545 imported into the county were not purchased for use in the 1546 county.

1547 (g) The real property which is leased or rented is located 1548 in the county.

1549 (h) <u>A</u> The transient rental transaction occurs in the 1550 county in which the rental property is located.

(i) The delivery of any aircraft or boat of a class or type which is required to be registered, licensed, titled, or documented in this state or by the United States Government is to a location in the county. However, this paragraph does not apply to the use or consumption of items upon which a like tax of equal or greater amount has been lawfully imposed and paid outside the county.

1558 <u>(i) (j)</u> <u>A transaction occurs in a county imposing the</u> 1559 <u>surtax if</u> the dealer owing a use tax on purchases or leases is 1560 located in <u>that</u> the county.

1561 (k) The delivery of tangible personal property other than 1562 that described in paragraph (d), paragraph (e), or paragraph (f) 1563 is made to a location outside the county, but the property is 1564 brought into the county within 6 months after delivery, in which 1565 event, the owner must pay the surtax as a use tax.

1566 <u>(j) (l)</u> The <u>use of a</u> coin-operated amusement or vending 1567 machine <u>occurs</u> is located in the county <u>in which the machine is</u> 1568 <u>located</u>.

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1569(k) (m)AnThe florist taking theoriginal order to sell1570tangible personal property taken by a florist occursis located1571in the county in which the florist taking the order is located1572notwithstanding any other provision of this section.

1573 The department shall administer, collect, and (5)(4)(a) 1574 enforce the tax authorized under s. 212.055 pursuant to the same 1575 procedures used in the administration, collection, and 1576 enforcement of the general state sales tax imposed under the 1577 provisions of this chapter, except as provided in this section. 1578 The provisions of this chapter regarding interest and penalties 1579 on delinquent taxes shall apply to the surtax. Discretionary 1580 sales surtaxes shall not be included in the computation of 1581 estimated taxes pursuant to s. 212.11. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a dealer need not separately state the amount 1582 1583 of the surtax on the charge ticket, sales slip, invoice, or 1584 other tangible evidence of sale. For the purposes of this 1585 section and s. 212.055, the "proceeds" of any surtax means all 1586 funds collected and received by the department pursuant to a 1587 specific authorization and levy under s. 212.055, including any 1588 interest and penalties on delinquent surtaxes.

1589 The proceeds of a discretionary sales surtax collected (b) 1590 by the selling dealer located in a county which imposes the 1591 surtax shall be returned, less the cost of administration, to 1592 the county where the selling dealer is located. The proceeds 1593 shall be transferred to the Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing 1594 Trust Fund. A separate account shall be established in such 1595 trust fund for each county imposing a discretionary surtax. The 1596 amount deducted for the costs of administration shall not exceed

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1597 3 percent of the total revenue generated for all counties 1598 levying a surtax authorized in s. 212.055. The amount deducted 1599 for the costs of administration shall be used only for those 1600 costs which are solely and directly attributable to the surtax. 1601 The total cost of administration shall be prorated among those 1602 counties levying the surtax on the basis of the amount collected 1603 for a particular county to the total amount collected for all 1604 counties. No later than March 1 of each year, the department 1605 shall submit a written report which details the expenses and amounts deducted for the costs of administration to the 1606 1607 President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of 1608 Representatives, and the governing authority of each county 1609 levying a surtax. The department shall distribute the moneys in 1610 the trust fund each month to the appropriate counties, unless 1611 otherwise provided in s. 212.055.

1612 (c)1. Any dealer located in a county that does not impose a discretionary sales surtax but who collects the surtax due to 1613 1614 sales of tangible personal property or services delivered 1615 outside the county shall remit monthly the proceeds of the surtax to the department to be deposited into an account in the 1616 1617 Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund which is separate 1618 from the county surtax collection accounts. The department shall 1619 distribute funds in this account using a distribution factor 1620 determined for each county that levies a surtax and multiplied by the amount of funds in the account and available for 1621 1622 distribution. The distribution factor for each county equals the 1623 product of:

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a. The county's latest official population determined Page 58 of 151

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1625 pursuant to s. 186.901; 1626 b. The county's rate of surtax; and 1627 The number of months the county has levied a surtax с. 1628 during the most recent distribution period; 1629 1630 divided by the sum of all such products of the counties levying 1631 the surtax during the most recent distribution period. 1632 2. The department shall compute distribution factors for 1633 eligible counties once each quarter and make appropriate 1634 quarterly distributions. 1635 3. A county that fails to timely provide the information 1636 required by this section to the department authorizes the department, by such action, to use the best information 1637 1638 available to it in distributing surtax revenues to the county. 1639 If this information is unavailable to the department, the 1640 department may partially or entirely disqualify the county from receiving surtax revenues under this paragraph. A county that 1641 1642 fails to provide timely information waives its right to 1643 challenge the department's determination of the county's share, 1644 if any, of revenues provided under this paragraph. 1645 (5) No discretionary sales surtax or increase or decrease 1646 in the rate of any discretionary sales surtax shall take effect 1647 on a date other than January 1. No discretionary sales surtax 1648 shall terminate on a day other than December 31. 1649 (6) The governing body of any county levying a 1650 discretionary sales surtax shall enact an ordinance levying the

1651 surtax in accordance with the procedures described in s.

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Any adoption, repeal, or rate change of the surtax 1653 (7)(a) 1654 by the governing body of any county levying a discretionary 1655 sales surtax or the school board of any county levying the 1656 school capital outlay surtax authorized by s. 212.055(6) is 1657 effective on April 1. A county or school board adopting, 1658 repealing, or changing the rate of such surtax shall notify the 1659 department within 10 days after final adoption by ordinance or referendum of an adoption, repeal, imposition, termination, or 1660 1661 rate change of the surtax, but no later than October 20 1662 immediately preceding such April 1 November 16 prior to the 1663 effective date. The notice must specify the time period during 1664 which the surtax will be in effect and the rate and must include a copy of the ordinance and such other information as the 1665 department requires by rule. Failure to timely provide such 1666 1667 notification to the department shall result in the delay of the 1668 effective date for a period of 1 year.

1669 In addition to the notification required by paragraph (b) 1670 (a), the governing body of any county proposing to levy a 1671 discretionary sales surtax or the school board of any county 1672 proposing to levy the school capital outlay surtax authorized by 1673 s. 212.055(6) shall notify the department by October 1 if the 1674 referendum or consideration of the ordinance that would result 1675 in imposition, termination, or rate change of the surtax is 1676 scheduled to occur on or after October 1 of that year. Failure 1677 to timely provide such notification to the department shall 1678 result in the delay of the effective date for a period of 1 1679 year.

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(c) The department shall provide notice of the adoption,

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1681 repeal, or rate change of the surtax to affected sellers by 1682 February 1 immediately preceding the April 1 effective date. 1683 (d) Notwithstanding the date set in an ordinance for the 1684 termination of a surtax, a surtax terminates only on March 31. A 1685 surtax imposed before January 1, 2010, for which an ordinance 1686 provides a different termination date, also terminates on the 1687 March 31 following the termination date established in the 1688 ordinance. 1689 (8) With respect to any motor vehicle or mobile home of a

1609 (8) with respect to any motor vehicle of mobile nome of a 1690 class or type which is required to be registered in this state, 1691 the tax due on a transaction occurring in the taxing county as 1692 herein provided shall be collected from the purchaser or user 1693 incident to the titling and registration of such property, 1694 irrespective of whether such titling or registration occurs in 1695 the taxing county.

1696 (9) The department may certify vendor databases, and shall 1697 purchase or otherwise make available a database or databases, 1698 singly or in combination, which describe boundary changes for 1699 all taxing jurisdictions, including a description of the change 1700 and the effective date of a boundary change; provide all sales 1701 and use tax rates by jurisdiction; assign to each five-digit and 1702 nine-digit zip code the proper rate and jurisdiction and apply 1703 the lowest combined rate imposed in the zip code area, if the 1704 area includes more than one tax rate in any level of taxing 1705 jurisdiction; and use address-based boundary database records 1706 for assigning taxing jurisdictions and associated tax rates. 1707 A seller or certified service provider that collects (a) 1708 and remits the state tax and any local tax imposed by this

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1709 chapter shall be held harmless from any tax, interest, and 1710 penalties due solely as a result of relying on erroneous data on 1711 tax rates, boundaries, or taxing jurisdiction assignments 1712 provided by the state if the seller or certified service 1713 provider exercises due diligence in applying one or more of the 1714 following methods to determine the taxing jurisdiction and tax 1715 rate for a transaction: 1716 1. Employing an electronic database provided by the 1717 department under this subsection; or 1718 2. Employing a state-certified database. 1719 (b) If a seller or certified service provider is unable to 1720 determine the applicable rate and jurisdiction using an address-1721 based database record after exercising due diligence, the seller 1722 or certified service provider may apply the nine-digit zip code 1723 designation applicable to a purchaser. If a nine-digit zip code designation is not available 1724 (C) 1725 for a street address or if a seller or certified service 1726 provider is unable to determine the nine-digit zip code 1727 designation applicable to a purchase after exercising due 1728 diligence to determine the designation, the seller or certified 1729 service provider may apply the rate for the five-digit zip code 1730 area. 1731 There is a rebuttable presumption that a seller or (d) 1732 certified service provider has exercised due diligence if the 1733 seller or certified service provider has attempted to determine the tax rate and jurisdiction by using state-certified software 1734 1735 that makes this assignment from the address and zip code 1736 information applicable to the purchase.

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1737 There is a rebuttable presumption that a seller or (e) 1738 certified service provider has exercised due diligence if the 1739 seller or certified service provider has attempted to determine 1740 the nine-digit zip code designation by using state-certified 1741 software that makes this designation from the street address and 1742 the five-digit zip code applicable to a purchase. 1743 (f) If a seller or certified service provider does not use 1744 one of the methods specified in paragraph (a), the seller or 1745 certified service provider may be held liable to the department 1746 for tax, interest, and penalties that are due for charging and 1747 collecting the incorrect amount of tax. 1748 (10) A purchaser shall be held harmless from tax, 1749 interest, and penalties for having failed to pay the correct 1750 amount of sales or use tax due solely as a result of any of the 1751 following circumstances: 1752 (a) The seller or certified service provider relied on 1753 erroneous data on tax rates, boundaries, or taxing jurisdiction 1754 assignments provided by the department; (b) 1755 A purchaser holding a direct-pay permit relied on 1756 erroneous data on tax rates, boundaries, or taxing jurisdiction 1757 assignments provided by the department; or 1758 (c) A purchaser relied on erroneous data supplied in a 1759 database described in paragraph (9)(a). 1760 (11) A seller is not liable for failing to collect tax at 1761 the new tax rate if: 1762 The new rate takes effect within 30 days after the new (a) rate is enacted; 1763 1764 The seller collected the tax at the preceding rate; (b) Page 63 of 151

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1765	(c) The seller's failure to collect the tax at the new
1766	rate does not extend beyond 30 days after the enactment of the
1767	new rate; and
1768	(d) The seller did not fraudulently fail to collect at the
1769	new rate or solicit purchasers based on the preceding rate.
1770	Section 8. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and subsections
1771	(3) and (5) of section 212.06, Florida Statutes, are amended,
1772	and subsection (17) is added to that section, to read:
1773	212.06 Sales, storage, use tax; collectible from dealers;
1774	"dealer" defined; dealers to collect from purchasers;
1775	legislative intent as to scope of tax
1776	(2)
1777	(c) The term "dealer" is further defined to mean every
1778	person, as used in this chapter, who sells at retail or who
1779	offers for sale at retail, or who has in his or her possession
1780	for sale at retail; or for use, consumption, or distribution; or
1781	for storage to be used or consumed in this state, tangible
1782	personal property as defined herein $_{m au}$ including a retailer who
1783	transacts a mail order sale.
1784	(3)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), every dealer
1785	making sales, whether within or outside the state, of tangible
1786	personal property for distribution, storage, or use or other
1787	consumption, in this state, shall, at the time of making sales,
1788	collect the tax imposed by this chapter from the purchaser.
1789	(b)1. Notwithstanding subsection (17), a purchaser of
1790	direct mail which is not a holder of a direct-pay permit shall
1791	provide to the seller in conjunction with the purchase a direct-
1792	mail form or information to show the jurisdictions to which the
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direct mail is delivered to recipients. Upon receipt of the 1793 1794 direct-mail form, the seller is relieved of all obligations to 1795 collect, pay, or remit the applicable tax, and the purchaser is 1796 obligated to pay or remit the applicable tax on a direct-pay 1797 basis. A direct-mail form remains in effect for all future sales 1798 of direct mail by the seller to the purchaser until it is 1799 revoked in writing. 1800 2. Upon receipt of information from the purchaser showing 1801 the jurisdictions to which the direct mail is delivered to 1802 recipients, the seller shall collect the tax according to the 1803 delivery information provided by the purchaser. In the absence 1804 of bad faith, the seller is relieved of any further obligation 1805 to collect tax on any transaction for which the seller has 1806 collected tax pursuant to the delivery information provided by 1807 the purchaser. 1808 3. If the purchaser of direct mail does not have a direct-1809 pay permit and does not provide the seller with a direct-mail 1810 form or delivery information as required by subparagraph 1., the 1811 seller shall collect the tax according to subparagraph (17)(d)5. 1812 This paragraph does not limit a purchaser's obligation to remit 1813 sales or use tax to any state to which the direct mail is 1814 delivered. 1815 4. If a purchaser of direct mail provides the seller with 1816 documentation of direct-pay authority, the purchaser is not 1817 required to provide a direct-mail form or delivery information 1818 to the seller. A purchaser of printed materials shall have sole responsibility for the taxes imposed by this chapter on those 1819 1820 materials when the printer of the materials delivers them Page 65 of 151

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1821 United States Postal Service for mailing to persons other than 1822 the purchaser located within and outside this state. Printers of 1823 materials delivered by mail to persons other than the purchaser 1824 located within and outside this state shall have no obligation 1825 or responsibility for the payment or collection of any taxes 1826 imposed under this chapter on those materials. However, printers 1827 are obligated to collect the taxes imposed by this chapter on 1828 printed materials when all, or substantially all, of the 1829 materials will be mailed to persons located within this state. 1830 For purposes of the printer's tax collection obligation, there 1831 is a rebuttable presumption that all materials printed at a 1832 facility are mailed to persons located within the same state 1833 that in which the facility is located. A certificate provided by 1834 the purchaser to the printer concerning the delivery of the 1835 printed materials for that purchase or all purchases shall be 1836 sufficient for purposes of rebutting the presumption created 1837 herein. 1838 5.2. The Department of Revenue is authorized to adopt 1839 rules and forms to implement the provisions of this paragraph.

(5) (a) 1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., It is not the intention of This chapter <u>does not</u> to levy a tax upon tangible personal property imported, produced, or manufactured in this state for export:

18441. If, provided that tangible personal property may not be1845considered as being imported, produced, or manufactured for1846export unless the importer, producer, or manufacturer:

1847a. Delivers the tangible personal property same to a1848licensed exporter for exporting or to a common carrier forPage 66 of 151

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1849 shipment outside the state or mails the same by United States 1850 mail to a destination outside the state; or, in the case of 1851 aircraft being exported under their own power to a destination 1852 outside the continental limits of the United States, by 1853 submission

<u>b. Submits</u> to the department of a duly signed and validated United States customs declaration, showing the departure of <u>an</u> the aircraft from the continental United States <u>and</u>; and further with respect to aircraft, the canceled United States registry of <u>the</u> said aircraft for an aircraft that is <u>exported under its own power to a destination outside of the</u> continental United States; or <u>in the case of</u>

1861 с. Submits documentation as required by rule to the 1862 department showing the departure of an aircraft of foreign 1863 registry from the continental United States on which parts and 1864 equipment have been installed on aircraft of foreign registry, 1865 by submission to the department of documentation, the extent of 1866 which shall be provided by rule, showing the departure of the 1867 aircraft from the continental United States; or nor is it the intention of this chapter to levy a tax on any sale which 1868

18692. If the state is prohibited from taxing the sale under1870the Constitution or laws of the United States.

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1872 Every retail sale made to a person physically present at the 1873 time of sale shall be presumed to have been delivered in this 1874 state.

1875 2.a. Notwithstanding subparagraph 1., a tax is levied on 1876 each sale of tangible personal property to be transported to a Page 67 of 151

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1877	cooperating state as defined in sub-subparagraph c., at the rate
1878	specified in sub-subparagraph d. However, a Florida dealer will
1879	be relieved from the requirements of collecting taxes pursuant
1880	to this subparagraph if the Florida dealer obtains from the
1881	purchaser an affidavit setting forth the purchaser's name,
1882	address, state taxpayer identification number, and a statement
1883	that the purchaser is aware of his or her state's use tax laws,
1884	is a registered dealer in Florida or another state, or is
1885	purchasing the tangible personal property for resale or is
1886	otherwise not required to pay the tax on the transaction. The
1887	department may, by rule, provide a form to be used for the
1888	purposes set forth herein.
1889	b. For purposes of this subparagraph, "a cooperating
1890	state" is one determined by the executive director of the
1891	department to cooperate satisfactorily with this state in
1892	collecting taxes on mail order sales. No state shall be so
1893	determined unless it meets all the following minimum
1894	requirements:
1895	(I) It levies and collects taxes on mail order sales of
1896	property transported from that state to persons in this state,
1897	as described in s. 212.0596, upon request of the department.
1898	(II) The tax so collected shall be at the rate specified
1899	in s. 212.05, not including any local option or tourist or
1900	convention development taxes collected pursuant to s. 125.0104
1901	or this chapter.
1902	(III) Such state agrees to remit to the department all
1903	taxes so collected no later than 30 days from the last day of
1904	the calendar quarter following their collection.
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1905 (IV) Such state authorizes the department to audit dealers 1906 within its jurisdiction who make mail order sales that are the 1907 subject of s. 212.0596, or makes arrangements deemed adequate by 1908 the department for auditing them with its own personnel. 1909 (V) Such state agrees to provide to the department records 1910 obtained by it from retailers or dealers in such state showing 1911 delivery of tangible personal property into this state which no sales or use tax has been paid in a manner similar to 1912 1913 that provided in sub-subparagraph g. c. For purposes of this subparagraph, "sales of tangible 1914 1915 personal property to be transported to a cooperating state" 1916 means mail order sales to a person who is in the cooperating 1917 state at the time the order is executed, from a dealer who receives that order in this state. 1918 1919 d. The tax levied by sub-subparagraph a. shall be at the 1920 rate at which such a sale would have been taxed pursuant to the 1921 cooperating state's tax laws if consummated in the cooperating 1922 state by a dealer and a purchaser, both of whom were physically present in that state at the time of the sale. 1923 1924 e. The tax levied by sub-subparagraph a., when collected,

1925 shall be held in the State Treasury in trust for the benefit of 1926 the cooperating state and shall be paid to it at a time agreed 1927 upon between the department, acting for this state, and the 1928 cooperating state or the department or agency designated by it 1929 to act for it; however, such payment shall in no event be made later than 30 days from the last day of the calendar quarter 1930 after the tax was collected. Funds held in trust for the benefit 1931 1932 a cooperating state shall not be subject to the service Page 69 of 151

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1933 charges imposed by s. 215.20.

1934 f. The department is authorized to perform such acts and 1935 to provide such cooperation to a cooperating state with 1936 reference to the tax levied by sub-subparagraph a. as is 1937 required of the cooperating state by sub-subparagraph b. 1938 In furtherance of this act, dealers selling tangible 1939 personal property for delivery in another state shall make 1940 available to the department, upon request of the department, 1941 records of all tangible personal property so sold. Such records 1942 shall include a description of the property, the name and 1943 address of the purchaser, the name and address of the person to 1944 whom the property was sent, the purchase price of the property, 1945 information regarding whether sales tax was paid in this state 1946 on the purchase price, and such other information as the 1947 department may by rule prescribe. 1948 (b)1. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), it

1949 is not the intention of this chapter to levy a tax on the sale 1950 of tangible personal property to a nonresident dealer who does 1951 not hold a Florida sales tax registration, provided such 1952 nonresident dealer furnishes the seller a statement declaring 1953 that the tangible personal property will be transported outside 1954 this state by the nonresident dealer for resale and for no other 1955 purpose. The statement shall include, but not be limited to, the 1956 nonresident dealer's name, address, applicable passport or visa number, arrival-departure card number, and evidence of authority 1957 to do business in the nonresident dealer's home state or 1958 1959 country, such as his or her business name and address, 1960 occupational license number, if applicable, or any other

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1961 suitable requirement. The statement shall be signed by the 1962 nonresident dealer and shall include the following sentence: 1963 "Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the 1964 foregoing, and the facts alleged are true to the best of my 1965 knowledge and belief."

1966 2. The burden of proof of subparagraph 1. rests with the 1967 seller, who must retain the proper documentation to support the 1968 exempt sale. The exempt transaction is subject to verification 1969 by the department.

1970 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), it is (C) 1971 not the intention of this chapter to levy a tax on the sale by a 1972 printer to a nonresident print purchaser of material printed by 1973 that printer for that nonresident print purchaser when the print 1974 purchaser does not furnish the printer a resale certificate 1975 containing a sales tax registration number but does furnish to 1976 the printer a statement declaring that such material will be 1977 resold by the nonresident print purchaser.

1978 (17) This subsection shall be used to determine the
 1979 location where a transaction occurs for purposes of applying the
 1980 tax imposed by this chapter.
 1981 (a) For purposes of this subsection, the terms "receive"

1982 and "receipt" mean:

1. Taking possession of tangible personal property;

2. Making first use of services; or

19853. Taking possession or making first use of digital goods,1986whichever occurs first.

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1988 The terms do not include possession by a shipping company on

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1989	behalf of the purchaser.
1990	(b) For purposes of this subsection, the term "product"
1991	means tangible personal property, a digital good, or a service.
1992	(c) This section does not apply to sales or use taxes
1993	levied on:
1994	1. The retail sale or transfer of a boat, modular home,
1995	manufactured home, or mobile home.
1996	2. The retail sale, excluding a lease or rental, of a
1997	motor vehicle or aircraft that does not qualify as
1998	transportation equipment, as defined in paragraph (g). The lease
1999	or rental of these items shall be deemed to have occurred in
2000	accordance with paragraph (f).
2001	3. The retail sale of tangible personal property by a
2002	florist.
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2004	Such retail sales are deemed to take place at the location
2005	determined under s. 212.054(4).
2006	(d) The retail sale of a product, excluding a lease or
2007	rental, shall be deemed to take place:
2008	1. When the product is received by the purchaser at a
2009	business location of the seller, at that business location;
2010	2. When the product is not received by the purchaser at a
2011	business location of the seller, at the location of receipt by
2012	the purchaser, or the purchaser's donee, designated as such by
2013	the purchaser, including the location indicated by instructions
2014	for delivery to the purchaser or donee, known to the seller;
2015	3. When subparagraphs 1. and 2. do not apply, at the
2016	location indicated by an address for the purchaser which is
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2017	available from the business records of the seller which are
2018	maintained in the ordinary course of the seller's business, if
2019	use of this address does not constitute bad faith;
2020	4. When subparagraphs 1., 2., and 3. do not apply, at the
2021	location indicated by an address for the purchaser obtained
2022	during the consummation of the sale, including the address of a
2023	purchaser's payment instrument, if no other address is
2024	available, if use of this address does not constitute bad faith;
2025	or
2026	5. When subparagraphs 1., 2., 3., and 4. do not apply,
2027	including when the seller is without sufficient information to
2028	apply the previous subparagraphs, at the address from which
2029	tangible personal property was shipped, from which the digital
2030	good or the computer software delivered electronically was first
2031	available for transmission by the seller, or from which the
2032	service was provided, disregarding any location that merely
2033	provided the digital transfer of the product sold.
2034	(e) The lease or rental of tangible personal property,
2035	other than property identified in paragraphs (f) and (g), shall
2036	be deemed to have occurred as follows:
2037	1. For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic
2038	payments, the first periodic payment is deemed to take place in
2039	accordance with paragraph (d), notwithstanding the exclusion of
2040	lease or rental in paragraph (d). Subsequent periodic payments
2041	are deemed to have occurred at the primary property location for
2042	each period covered by the payment. The primary property
2043	location is determined by an address for the property provided
2044	by the lessee which is available to the lessor from its records

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2010 2045 maintained in the ordinary course of business, if use of this 2046 address does not constitute bad faith. The property location is 2047 not altered by intermittent use of the property at different 2048 locations, such as use of business property that accompanies 2049 employees on business trips and service calls. 2050 2. For a lease or rental that does not require recurring 2051 periodic payments, the payment is deemed to take place in 2052 accordance with paragraph (d), notwithstanding the exclusion of 2053 a lease or rental in paragraph (d). 2054 3. This paragraph does not affect the imposition or 2055 computation of sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a 2056 lump sum or accelerated basis or on the acquisition of property 2057 for lease. 2058 The lease or rental of a motor vehicle or aircraft (f) 2059 that does not qualify as transportation equipment, as defined in 2060 paragraph (g), shall be sourced as follows: 2061 1. For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic 2062 payments, each periodic payment is deemed to take place at the 2063 primary property location. The primary property location shall 2064 be determined by an address for the property provided by the 2065 lessee which is available to the lessor from its records 2066 maintained in the ordinary course of business, if use of this address does not constitute bad faith. This location may not be 2067 2068 altered by intermittent use at different locations. 2069 2. For a lease or rental that does not require recurring 2070 periodic payments, the payment is deemed to take place in accordance with paragraph (d), notwithstanding the exclusion of 2071 2072 a lease or rental in paragraph (d).

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2073 3. This paragraph does not affect the imposition or 2074 computation of sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a 2075 lump sum or accelerated basis or on the acquisition of property 2076 for lease. 2077 The retail sale, including a lease or rental, of (g) 2078 transportation equipment shall be deemed to take place in 2079 accordance with paragraph (d), notwithstanding the exclusion of 2080 a lease or rental in paragraph (d). The term "transportation 2081 equipment" means: 2082 1. Locomotives and rail cars that are used for the 2083 carriage of persons or property in interstate commerce; 2084 2. Trucks and truck tractors with a gross vehicle weight 2085 rating (GVWR) of 10,001 pounds or greater, trailers, 2086 semitrailers, or passenger buses that are registered through the 2087 International Registration Plan and operated under authority of a carrier authorized and certificated by the United States 2088 2089 Department of Transportation or another federal authority to 2090 engage in the carriage of persons or property in interstate 2091 commerce; 2092 3. Aircraft that are operated by air carriers authorized 2093 and certificated by the United States Department of 2094 Transportation or another federal or a foreign authority to 2095 engage in the carriage of persons or property in interstate or foreign comm<u>erce; or</u> 2096 2097 4. Containers designed for use on and component parts attached or secured on the items set forth in subparagraphs 1.-2098 2099 3. 2100 Section 9. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section Page 75 of 151

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HB 165 2010 212.07, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (10) is 2101 2102 added that section, to read: 212.07 Sales, storage, use tax; tax added to purchase 2103 2104 price; dealer not to absorb; liability of purchasers who cannot 2105 prove payment of the tax; penalties; general exemptions.--2106 (1)2107 (C) Unless the purchaser of tangible personal property 2108 that is incorporated into tangible personal property 2109 manufactured, produced, compounded, processed, or fabricated for 2110 one's own use and subject to the tax imposed under s. 2111 212.06(1)(b) or is purchased for export under s. 212.06(5)(a) $\frac{1}{1}$. 2112 extends a certificate in compliance with the rules of the 2113 department, the dealer shall himself or herself be liable for 2114 and pay the tax. 2115 The executive director is authorized to maintain (10) (a) 2116 and publish a taxability matrix in a downloadable format that 2117 has been approved by the governing board of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement. 2118 2119 The state shall provide notice of changes to the (b) 2120 taxability of the products or services listed in the taxability 2121 matrix. 2122 (c) A seller or certified service provider who collects 2123 and remits the state and local tax imposed by this chapter shall 2124 be held harmless from tax, interest, and penalties for having 2125 charged and collected the incorrect amount of sales or use tax 2126 due solely as a result of relying on erroneous data provided by 2127 the state in the taxability matrix. (d) A purchaser shall be held harmless from penalties for 2128 Page 76 of 151

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2129 having failed to pay the correct amount of sales or use tax due 2130 solely as a result of any of the following circumstances: 2131 1. The seller or certified service provider relied on 2132 erroneous data provided by the state in the taxability matrix 2133 completed by the state; 2. A purchaser relied on erroneous data provided by the 2134 2135 state in the taxability matrix completed by the state; or 2136 3. A purchaser holding a direct-pay permit relied on 2137 erroneous data provided by the state in the taxability matrix 2138 completed by the state. 2139 (e) A purchaser shall be held harmless from tax and 2140 interest for having failed to pay the correct amount of sales or 2141 use tax due solely as a result of the state's erroneous 2142 classification in the taxability matrix of terms included in the library of definitions as "taxable" or "exempt," "included in 2143 2144 sales price" or "excluded from sales price," or "included in the 2145 definition" or "excluded from the definition." 2146 Section 10. Subsections (1) and (2) and paragraphs (b) and 2147 (c) of subsection (17) of section 212.08, Florida Statutes, are 2148 amended to read: 2149 212.08 Sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and 2150 storage tax; specified exemptions. -- The sale at retail, the 2151 rental, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the 2152 storage to be used or consumed in this state of the following 2153 are hereby specifically exempt from the tax imposed by this 2154 chapter. EXEMPTIONS; GENERAL GROCERIES.--2155 (1) 2156 Food and food ingredients products for human (a) Page 77 of 151

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2157 consumption are exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter. 2158 (b) For the purpose of this chapter, as used in this subsection, the term "food and food ingredients products" means 2159 2160 substances, whether in liquid, concentrated, solid, frozen, 2161 dried, or dehydrated form, which are sold for ingestion or 2162 chewing by humans and are consumed for their taste or 2163 nutritional value edible commodities, whether processed, cooked, 2164 raw, canned, or in any other form, which are generally regarded 2165 as food. This includes, but is not limited to, all of the 2166 following: 2167 1. Cereals and cereal products, baked goods, 2168 oleomargarine, meat and meat products, fish and seafood products, frozen foods and dinners, poultry, eggs and egg 2169 2170 products, vegetables and vegetable products, fruit and fruit 2171 products, spices, salt, sugar and sugar products, milk and dairy 2172 products, and products intended to be mixed with milk. 2173 2. Natural fruit or vegetable juices or their concentrates 2174 or reconstituted natural concentrated fruit or vegetable juices, 2175 whether frozen or unfrozen, dehydrated, powdered, granulated, 2176 sweetened or unsweetened, seasoned with salt or spice, or unseasoned; coffee, coffee substitutes, or cocoa; and tea, 2177 2178 unless it is sold in a liquid form. 2179 1.3. Bakery products sold by bakeries, pastry shops, or like establishments, if sold without eating utensils. For 2180 purposes of this subparagraph, bakery products include bread, 2181 rolls, buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, doughnuts, 2182 danish, cakes, tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, and 2183 tortillas that do not have eating facilities. 2184

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2185 2. Dietary supplements. The term "dietary supplements" 2186 means any product, other than tobacco, intended to supplement 2187 the diet which contains one or more of the following dietary 2188 ingredients: a vitamin; a mineral; an herb or other botanical; 2189 an amino acid; a dietary substance for use by humans to 2190 supplement the diet by increasing the total dietary intake; or a 2191 concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or combination of 2192 any ingredient described in this subparagraph which is intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, gelcap, or 2193 2194 liquid form or, if not intended for ingestion in such a form, is 2195 not represented as conventional food and is not represented for 2196 use as a sole item of a meal or of the diet, and which is 2197 required to be labeled as a dietary supplement, identifiable by 2198 the supplemental facts panel found on the label and as required pursuant to 21 C.F.R. s. 101.36. 2199 2200 (C) The exemption provided by this subsection does not 2201 apply: 2202 1. When the food products are sold as meals for 2203 consumption on or off the premises of the dealer. 2204 2. When the food products are furnished, prepared, or 2205 served for consumption at tables, chairs, or counters or from 2206 trays, glasses, dishes, or other tableware, whether provided by 2207 the dealer or by a person with whom the dealer contracts to 2208 furnish, prepare, or serve food products to others. 2209 3. When the food products are ordinarily sold for 2210 immediate consumption on the seller's premises or near a location at which parking facilities are provided primarily for 2211 2212 use of patrons in consuming the products purchased at the the Page 79 of 151

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2213	location, even though such products are sold on a "take out" or
2214	"to go" order and are actually packaged or wrapped and taken
2215	from the premises of the dealer.
2216	4. To sandwiches sold ready for immediate consumption on
2217	or off the seller's premises.
2218	5. When the food products are sold ready for immediate
2219	consumption within a place, the entrance to which is subject to
2220	an admission charge.
2221	1.6. To food and food ingredients sold as prepared food.
2222	The term "prepared food" means:
2223	a. Food sold in a heated state or heated by the seller;
2224	b. Two or more food ingredients mixed or combined by the
2225	seller for sale as a single item; or
2226	c. Food sold with eating utensils provided by the seller,
2227	including plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins,
2228	or straws. A plate does not include a container or packaging
2229	used to transport food.
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2231	Prepared food does not include food that is only cut,
2232	repackaged, or pasteurized by the seller, eggs, fish, meat,
2233	poultry, and foods containing these raw animal foods requiring
2234	cooking by the consumer as recommended by the Food and Drug
2235	Administration in chapter 3, part 4011 of its food code so as to
2236	prevent food-borne illness. When the food products are sold as
2237	hot prepared food products.
2238	2.7. To soft drinks, which include, but are not limited
2239	to, any nonalcoholic beverage, any preparation or beverage
2240	commonly referred to as a "soft drink," or any noncarbonated
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2241 drink made from milk derivatives or tea, when sold in cans or 2242 similar containers. The term "soft drinks" means nonalcoholic 2243 beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners. Soft 2244 drinks do not include beverages that contain milk or milk 2245 products, soy, rice, or similar milk substitutes, or greater 2246 than 50 percent of vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

2247 8. To ice cream, frozen yogurt, and similar frozen dairy 2248 or nondairy products in cones, small cups, or pints, popsieles, 2249 frozen fruit bars, or other novelty items, whether or not sold 2250 separately.

2251 9. To food prepared, whether on or off the premises, and 2252 sold for immediate consumption. This does not apply to food 2253 prepared off the premises and sold in the original sealed 2254 container, or the slicing of products into smaller portions.

2255 <u>3.10.</u> When the food <u>and food ingredients</u> products are sold 2256 through a vending machine, pushcart, motor vehicle, or any other 2257 form of vehicle.

2258 4.11. To candy and any similar product regarded as candy 2259 or confection, based on its normal use, as indicated on the 2260 label or advertising thereof. The term "candy" means a 2261 preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial 2262 sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruits, nuts, or other 2263 ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. 2264 Candy does not include any preparation that contains flour and 2265 does not require refrigeration. 2266 5. To tobacco.

2267 12. To bakery products sold by bakeries, pastry shops, or 2268 like establishments that have eating facilities, except when Page 81 of 151

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2269 sold for consumption off the seller's premises.

2270 13. When food products are served, prepared, or sold in or 2271 by restaurants, lunch counters, cafeterias, hotels, taverns, or 2272 other like places of business.

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(d) As used in this subsection, the term:

1. "For consumption off the seller's premises" means that the food or drink is intended by the customer to be consumed at a place away from the dealer's premises.

2277 2. "For consumption on the seller's premises" means that 2278 the food or drink sold may be immediately consumed on the 2279 premises where the dealer conducts his or her business. In 2280 determining whether an item of food is sold for immediate 2281 consumption, there shall be considered the customary consumption 2282 practices prevailing at the selling facility.

2283 3. "Premises" shall be construed broadly, and means, but is not limited to, the lobby, aisle, or auditorium of a theater; the seating, aisle, or parking area of an arena, rink, or stadium; or the parking area of a drive-in or outdoor theater. The premises of a caterer with respect to catered meals or beverages shall be the place where such meals or beverages are served.

2290 "Hot prepared food products" means those products, 4. 2291 items, or components which have been prepared for sale in a 2292 heated condition and which are sold at any temperature that is 2293 higher than the air temperature of the room or place where they are sold. "Hot prepared food products," for the purposes of this 2294 2295 subsection, includes a combination of hot and cold food items or 2296 components where a single price has been established for the Page 82 of 151

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2297	combination and the food products are sold in such combination,
2298	such as a hot meal, a hot specialty dish or serving, or a hot
2299	sandwich or hot pizza, including cold components or side items.
2300	(d) (e) 1. Food or drinks not exempt under paragraphs (a),
2301	(b), <u>and</u> (c) , and (d) shall be exempt, notwithstanding those
2302	paragraphs, when purchased with food coupons or Special
2303	Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children
2304	vouchers issued under authority of federal law.
2305	2. This paragraph is effective only while federal law
2306	prohibits a state's participation in the federal food coupon
2307	program or Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants,
2308	and Children if there is an official determination that state or
2309	local sales taxes are collected within that state on purchases
2310	of food or drinks with such coupons.
2311	3. This paragraph <u>does</u> shall not apply to any food or
2312	drinks on which federal law <u>permits</u> shall permit sales taxes
2313	without penalty, such as termination of the state's
2314	participation.
2315	(e) Dietary supplements that are sold as prepared food are
2316	not exempt.
2317	(2) EXEMPTIONS; MEDICAL
2318	(a) There shall be exempt from the tax imposed by this
2319	chapter <u>:</u>
2320	1. Drugs.
2321	2. Durable medical equipment, mobility-enhancing
2322	equipment, or prosthetic devices any medical products and
2323	supplies or medicine dispensed according to an individual
2324	prescription or prescriptions <u>.</u> written by a prescriber
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2325 authorized by law to prescribe medicinal drugs; 2326 3. Hypodermic needles.; hypodermic syringes; 2327 Chemical compounds and test kits used for the diagnosis 4. 2328 or treatment of human disease, illness, or injury and intended 2329 for one-time use.+ 2330 Over-the-counter drugs and common household remedies 5. 2331 recommended and generally sold for internal or external use 2332 the cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of illness or 2333 disease in human beings, but not including grooming and hygiene 2334 products. 2335 6. Band-aids, gauze, bandages, and adhesive tape. 2336 7. Funerals. However, tangible personal property used by 2337 funeral directors in their business is taxable. cosmetics or 2338 toilet articles, notwithstanding the presence of medicinal 2339 ingredients therein, according to a list prescribed and approved 2340 by the Department of Health, which list shall be certified to 2341 the Department of Revenue from time to time and included in the 2342 rules promulgated by the Department of Revenue. There shall also 2343 be exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter artificial eyes and limbs; orthopedic shoes; prescription eyeglasses and items 2344 2345 incidental thereto or which become a part thereof; dentures; 2346 hearing aids; crutches; prosthetic and orthopedic appliances; 2347 and funerals. In addition, any 2348 Items intended for one-time use which transfer 8. 2349 essential optical characteristics to contact lenses. shall be exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter; However, this 2350 exemption applies shall apply only after \$100,000 of the tax 2351

imposed by this chapter on such items has been paid in any

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2353	calendar year by a taxpayer who claims the exemption in such
2354	year. Funeral directors shall pay tax on all tangible personal
2355	property used by them in their business.
2356	(b) For the purposes of this subsection, the term:
2357	1. "Drug" means a compound, substance, or preparation, and
2358	any component of a compound, substance, or preparation, other
2359	than food and food ingredients, dietary supplements, and
2360	alcoholic beverages, which is:
2361	a. Recognized in the official United States Pharmacopoeia,
2362	official Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States, or
2363	official National Formulary, or the supplement to any of them;
2364	b. Intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation,
2365	treatment, or prevention of disease; or
2366	c. Intended to affect the structure or any function of the
2367	body.
2368	2. "Durable medical equipment" means equipment, including
2369	repair and replacement parts to such equipment, but excluding
2370	mobility-enhancing equipment, which can withstand repeated use,
2371	is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose,
2372	generally is not useful to a person in the absence of illness or
2373	injury, and is not worn on or in the body.
2374	3. "Mobility-enhancing equipment" means equipment,
2375	including repair and replacement parts to such equipment, but
2376	excluding durable medical equipment, which:
2377	a. Is primarily and customarily used to provide or
2378	increase the ability to move from one place to another and which
2379	is appropriate for use in a home or a motor vehicle.
2380	b. Is not generally used by persons with normal mobility.

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2381	c. Does not include any motor vehicle or any equipment on
2382	a motor vehicle normally provided by a motor vehicle
2383	manufacturer.
2384	4. "Prosthetic device" means a replacement, corrective, or
2385	supportive device, including repair or replacement parts to such
2386	equipment, which is worn on or in the body to:
2387	a. Artificially replace a missing portion of the body;
2388	b. Prevent or correct physical deformity or malfunction;
2389	or
2390	c. Support a weak or deformed portion of the body.
2391	5. "Grooming and hygiene products" mean soaps and cleaning
2392	solutions, shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, antiperspirants, and
2393	suntan lotions and screens, regardless of whether the items meet
2394	the definition of an over-the-counter drug.
2395	6. "Over-the-counter drug" means a drug the packaging for
2396	which contains a label that identifies the product as a drug as
2397	required by 21 C.F.R. s. 201.66. The over-the-counter drug label
2398	includes a drug-facts panel or a statement of the active
2399	ingredients, with a list of those ingredients contained in the
2400	compound, substance, or preparation. "Prosthetic and orthopedic
2401	appliances" means any apparatus, instrument, device, or
2402	equipment used to replace or substitute for any missing part of
2403	the body, to alleviate the malfunction of any part of the body,
2404	or to assist any disabled person in leading a normal life by
2405	facilitating such person's mobility. Such apparatus, instrument,
2406	device, or equipment shall be exempted according to an
2407	individual prescription or prescriptions written by a physician
2408	licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 460, chapter
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2409 461, or chapter 466, or according to a list prescribed and 2410 approved by the Department of Health, which list shall be certified to the Department of Revenue from time to time and 2411 2412 included in the rules promulgated by the Department of Revenue. 2413 2 - "Cosmetics" means articles intended to be rubbed, 2414 poured, sprinkled, or sprayed on, introduced into, or otherwise 2415 applied to the human body for cleansing, beautifying, promoting 2416 attractiveness, or altering the appearance and also means 2417 articles intended for use as a compound of any such articles, including, but not limited to, cold creams, suntan lotions, 2418 2419 makeup, and body lotions. 2420 - "Toilet articles" means any article advertised or held 3. 2421 out for sale for grooming purposes and those articles that are 2422 customarily used for grooming purposes, regardless of the name by which they may be known, including, but not limited to, soap, 2423 2424 toothpaste, hair spray, shaving products, colognes, perfumes, 2425 shampoo, deodorant, and mouthwash. 2426 7.4. "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe 2427 issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means 2428 of transmission by a practitioner licensed under chapter 458, 2429 chapter 459, chapter 460, chapter 461, or chapter 466. The term 2430 also includes an orally transmitted order by the lawfully 2431 designated agent of such practitioner. The term also includes an 2432 order written or transmitted by a practitioner licensed to practice in a jurisdiction other than this state, but only if 2433 2434 the pharmacist called upon to dispense the order determines, in 2435 the exercise of his or her professional judgment, that the order 2436 is valid and necessary for the treatment of a chronic or

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2437 recurrent illness. includes any order for drugs or medicinal 2438 supplies written or transmitted by any means of communication by 2439 a duly licensed practitioner authorized by the laws of the state 2440 to prescribe such drugs or medicinal supplies and intended to be 2441 dispensed by a pharmacist. The term also includes an orally 2442 transmitted order by the lawfully designated agent of such 2443 practitioner. The term also includes an order written or 2444 transmitted by a practitioner licensed to practice in a 2445 jurisdiction other than this state, but only if the pharmacist 2446 called upon to dispense such order determines, in the exercise 2447 of his or her professional judgment, that the order is valid and 2448 necessary for the treatment of a chronic or recurrent illness. 2449 The term also includes a pharmacist's order for a product 2450 selected from the formulary created pursuant to s. 465.186. A 2451 prescription may be retained in written form, or the pharmacist 2452 may cause it to be recorded in a data processing system, 2453 provided that such order can be produced in printed form upon 2454 lawful request. 2455 Chlorine is shall not be exempt from the tax imposed (C)

2455 (c) childrine <u>is</u> sharf not be exempt from the tax imposed 2456 by this chapter when used for the treatment of water in swimming 2457 pools.

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(d) Lithotripters are exempt.

2459 (d) (e) Human organs are exempt.

2460 (f) Sales of drugs to or by physicians, dentists, 2461 veterinarians, and hospitals in connection with medical 2462 treatment are exempt.

2463 (g) Medical products and supplies used in the cure, 2464 mitigation, alleviation, prevention, or treatment of injury, Page 88 of 151

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2465 disease, or incapacity which are temporarily or permanently 2466 incorporated into a patient or client by a practitioner of the 2467 healing arts licensed in the state are exempt. 2468 (h) The purchase by a veterinarian of commonly recognized 2469 substances possessing curative or remedial properties which are 2470 ordered and dispensed as treatment for a diagnosed health 2471 disorder by or on the prescription of a duly licensed 2472 veterinarian, and which are applied to or consumed by animals 2473 for alleviation of pain or the cure or prevention of sickness, disease, or suffering are exempt. Also exempt are the purchase 2474 2475 by a veterinarian of antiseptics, absorbent cotton, gauze for 2476 bandages, lotions, vitamins, and worm remedies. 2477 (i) X-ray opaques, also known as opaque drugs and 2478 radiopaque, such as the various opaque dyes and barium sulphate, 2479 when used in connection with medical X rays for treatment of bodies of humans and animals, are exempt. 2480 (e) (j) Parts, special attachments, special lettering, and 2481 2482 other like items that are added to or attached to tangible 2483 personal property so that a handicapped person can use them are 2484 exempt when such items are purchased by a person pursuant to an 2485 individual prescription. 2486 (f) (k) This subsection shall be strictly construed and 2487 enforced. 2488 EXEMPTIONS; CERTAIN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS. --(17)2489 (b) As used in this subsection, the term "overhead 2490 materials" means all tangible personal property, other than

qualifying property as defined in s. $212.02(33) \cdot (14)$ (a) and 2492 electricity, which is used or consumed in the performance of a

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2493 qualifying contract, title to which property vests in or passes 2494 to the government under the contract. 2495 (c) As used in this subsection and in s. 2496 212.02(33) (14) (a), the term "qualifying contract" means a 2497 contract with the United States Department of Defense or the 2498 National Aeronautics and Space Administration, or a subcontract 2499 thereunder, but does not include a contract or subcontract for 2500 the repair, alteration, improvement, or construction of real 2501 property, except to the extent that purchases under such a 2502 contract would otherwise be exempt from the tax imposed by this 2503 chapter. 2504 Section 11. Section 212.094, Florida Statutes, is created 2505 to read: 2506 212.094 Purchaser request for refund or credit from 2507 dealer.--2508 (1) If a purchaser seeks from a dealer a refund of or 2509 credit against a tax collected under this chapter by that 2510 dealer, the purchaser shall submit a written request for the 2511 refund or credit to the dealer in accordance with this section. 2512 The request must contain all the information necessary for the 2513 dealer to determine the validity of the purchaser's request. 2514 The purchaser may not take any other action against (2) 2515 the dealer with respect to the requested refund or credit until 2516 the dealer has had 60 days after receiving a completed request 2517 in which to respond. 2518 (3) This section does not affect a person's standing to 2519 claim a refund. 2520 This section does not apply to refunds resulting from (4) Page 90 of 151

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2521 merchandise returned by a customer to a dealer.

2522 Section 12. Section 212.12, Florida Statutes, is amended 2523 to read:

2524 212.12 Dealer's credit for collecting tax; penalties for 2525 noncompliance; powers of Department of Revenue in dealing with 2526 delinquents; brackets applicable to taxable transactions; 2527 records required.--

2528 Notwithstanding any other provision of law and for the (1)2529 purpose of compensating persons granting licenses for and the 2530 lessors of real and personal property taxed hereunder, for the 2531 purpose of compensating dealers in tangible personal property, 2532 for the purpose of compensating dealers providing communication 2533 services and taxable services, for the purpose of compensating 2534 owners of places where admissions are collected, and for the 2535 purpose of compensating remitters of any taxes or fees reported 2536 on the same documents utilized for the sales and use tax, as 2537 compensation for the keeping of prescribed records, filing 2538 timely tax returns, and the proper accounting and remitting of 2539 taxes by them, such seller, person, lessor, dealer, owner, and 2540 remitter (except dealers who make mail order sales) shall be 2541 allowed 2.5 percent of the amount of the tax due and accounted 2542 for and remitted to the department, in the form of a deduction 2543 in submitting his or her report and paying the amount due by him 2544 or her; the department shall allow such deduction of 2.5 percent 2545 of the amount of the tax to the person paying the same for 2546 remitting the tax and making of tax returns in the manner herein 2547 provided, for paying the amount due to be paid by him or her, 2548 and as further compensation to dealers in tangible personal

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2549 property for the keeping of prescribed records and for 2550 collection of taxes and remitting the same. However, if the 2551 amount of the tax due and remitted to the department for the 2552 reporting period exceeds \$1,200, no allowance shall be allowed 2553 for all amounts in excess of \$1,200. The executive director of 2554 the department is authorized to negotiate a collection 2555 allowance, pursuant to rules promulgated by the department, with 2556 a dealer who makes mail order sales. The rules of the department 2557 shall provide guidelines for establishing the collection 2558 allowance based upon the dealer's estimated costs of collecting 2559 the tax, the volume and value of the dealer's mail order sales 2560 to purchasers in this state, and the administrative and legal 2561 costs and likelihood of achieving collection of the tax absent 2562 the cooperation of the dealer. However, in no event shall the 2563 collection allowance negotiated by the executive director exceed 2564 10 percent of the tax remitted for a reporting period.

(a) The Department of Revenue may deny the collection allowance if a taxpayer files an incomplete return or if the required tax return or tax is delinquent at the time of payment.

2568 1. An "incomplete return" is, for purposes of this 2569 chapter, a return which is lacking such uniformity, 2570 completeness, and arrangement that the physical handling, 2571 verification, review of the return, or determination of other 2572 taxes and fees reported on the return may not be readily 2573 accomplished.

2574 2. The department shall adopt rules requiring such 2575 information as it may deem necessary to ensure that the tax 2576 levied hereunder is properly collected, reviewed, compiled,

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2577 reported, and enforced, including, but not limited to: the 2578 amount of gross sales; the amount of taxable sales; the amount 2579 of tax collected or due; the amount of lawful refunds, 2580 deductions, or credits claimed; the amount claimed as the 2581 dealer's collection allowance; the amount of penalty and 2582 interest; the amount due with the return; and such other 2583 information as the Department of Revenue may specify. The 2584 department shall require that transient rentals and agricultural 2585 equipment transactions be separately shown. Sales made through 2586 vending machines as defined in s. 212.0515 must be separately 2587 shown on the return. Sales made through coin-operated amusement 2588 machines as defined by s. 212.02 and the number of machines 2589 operated must be separately shown on the return or on a form 2590 prescribed by the department. If a separate form is required, the same penalties for late filing, incomplete filing, or 2591 2592 failure to file as provided for the sales tax return shall apply to said form. 2593

(b) The collection allowance and other credits or deductions provided in this chapter shall be applied proportionally to any taxes or fees reported on the same documents used for the sales and use tax.

(c)1. A dealer entitled to the collection allowance provided in this section may elect to forego the collection allowance and direct that said amount be transferred into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. Such an election must be made with the timely filing of a return and may not be rescinded once made. If a dealer who makes such an election files a delinquent return, underpays the tax, or files an incomplete

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2605 return, the amount transferred into the Educational Enhancement 2606 Trust Fund shall be the amount of the collection allowance 2607 remaining after resolution of liability for all of the tax, 2608 interest, and penalty due on that return or underpayment of tax. 2609 The Department of Education shall distribute the remaining 2610 amount from the trust fund to the school districts that have 2611 adopted resolutions stating that those funds will be used to 2612 ensure that up-to-date technology is purchased for the 2613 classrooms in the district and that teachers are trained in the 2614 use of that technology. Revenues collected in districts that do 2615 not adopt such a resolution shall be equally distributed to 2616 districts that have adopted such resolutions.

2617 2. This paragraph applies to all taxes, surtaxes, and any 2618 local option taxes administered under this chapter and remitted 2619 directly to the department. This paragraph does not apply to any 2620 locally imposed and self-administered convention development 2621 tax, tourist development tax, or tourist impact tax administered 2622 under this chapter.

3. Revenues from the dealer-collection allowances shall be transferred quarterly from the General Revenue Fund to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. The Department of Revenue shall provide to the Department of Education quarterly information about such revenues by county to which the collection allowance was attributed.

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2630 Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 120 to the contrary, 2631 the Department of Revenue may adopt rules to carry out the 2632 amendment made by chapter 2006-52, Laws of Florida, to this

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2633	section.
2634	(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), a Model 1
2635	seller under the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement is not
2636	entitled to the collection allowance described in paragraphs (a)
2637	and (b).
2638	(e)1. In addition to any collection allowance that may be
2639	provided under this subsection, the department may provide the
2640	monetary allowances required to be provided by the state to
2641	certified service providers and voluntary sellers pursuant to
2642	Article VI of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement, as
2643	amended.
2644	2. Such monetary allowances must be in the form of
2645	collection allowances that certified service providers or
2646	voluntary sellers are permitted to retain from the tax revenues
2647	collected on remote sales to be remitted to the state pursuant
2648	to this chapter.
2649	3. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "voluntary
2650	seller" or "volunteer seller" means a seller that is not
2651	required to register in this state to collect a tax. The term
2652	"remote sales" means revenues generated by such a seller for
2653	this state for which the seller is not required to register to
2654	collect the tax imposed by this chapter.
2655	(2)(a) When any person required hereunder to make any
2656	return or to pay any tax or fee imposed by this chapter either
2657	fails to timely file such return or fails to pay the tax or fee
2658	shown due on the return within the time required hereunder, in
2659	addition to all other penalties provided herein and by the laws
2660	of this state in respect to such taxes or fees, a specific
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2661 penalty shall be added to the tax or fee in the amount of 10 2662 percent of either the tax or fee shown on the return that is not 2663 timely filed or any tax or fee not paid timely. The penalty may 2664 not be less than \$50 for failure to timely file a tax return 2665 required by s. 212.11(1) or timely pay the tax or fee shown due 2666 on the return except as provided in s. 213.21(10). If a person 2667 fails to timely file a return required by s. 212.11(1) and to 2668 timely pay the tax or fee shown due on the return, only one 2669 penalty of 10 percent, which may not be less than \$50, shall be 2670 imposed.

2671 When any person required under this section to make a (b) 2672 return or to pay a tax or fee imposed by this chapter fails to 2673 disclose the tax or fee on the return within the time required, 2674 excluding a noncompliant filing event generated by situations 2675 covered in paragraph (a), in addition to all other penalties 2676 provided in this section and by the laws of this state in 2677 respect to such taxes or fees, a specific penalty shall be added 2678 to the additional tax or fee owed in the amount of 10 percent of 2679 any such unpaid tax or fee not paid timely if the failure is for 2680 not more than 30 days, with an additional 10 percent of any such 2681 unpaid tax or fee for each additional 30 days, or fraction 2682 thereof, while the failure continues, not to exceed a total 2683 penalty of 50 percent, in the aggregate, of any unpaid tax or 2684 fee.

(c) Any person who knowingly and with a willful intent to evade any tax imposed under this chapter fails to file six consecutive returns as required by law commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.

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Any person who makes a false or fraudulent return with 2690 (d) 2691 a willful intent to evade payment of any tax or fee imposed 2692 under this chapter; any person who, after the department's 2693 delivery of a written notice to the person's last known address 2694 specifically alerting the person of the requirement to register 2695 the person's business as a dealer, intentionally fails to 2696 register the business; and any person who, after the 2697 department's delivery of a written notice to the person's last 2698 known address specifically alerting the person of the 2699 requirement to collect tax on specific transactions, 2700 intentionally fails to collect such tax, shall, in addition to 2701 the other penalties provided by law, be liable for a specific 2702 penalty of 100 percent of any unreported or any uncollected tax or fee and, upon conviction, for fine and punishment as provided 2703 2704 in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. Delivery of written 2705 notice may be made by certified mail, or by the use of such 2706 other method as is documented as being necessary and reasonable 2707 under the circumstances. The civil and criminal penalties 2708 imposed herein for failure to comply with a written notice 2709 alerting the person of the requirement to register the person's 2710 business as a dealer or to collect tax on specific transactions 2711 shall not apply if the person timely files a written challenge 2712 to such notice in accordance with procedures established by the department by rule or the notice fails to clearly advise that 2713 2714 failure to comply with or timely challenge the notice will 2715 result in the imposition of the civil and criminal penalties 2716 imposed herein.

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2717 1. If the total amount of unreported or uncollected taxes 2718 or fees is less than \$300, the first offense resulting in 2719 conviction is a misdemeanor of the second degree, the second 2720 offense resulting in conviction is a misdemeanor of the first 2721 degree, and the third and all subsequent offenses resulting in 2722 conviction is a misdemeanor of the first degree, and the third 2723 and all subsequent offenses resulting in conviction are felonies 2724 of the third degree.

2725 2. If the total amount of unreported or uncollected taxes 2726 or fees is \$300 or more but less than \$20,000, the offense is a 2727 felony of the third degree.

3. If the total amount of unreported or uncollected taxes or fees is \$20,000 or more but less than \$100,000, the offense is a felony of the second degree.

4. If the total amount of unreported or uncollected taxes
or fees is \$100,000 or more, the offense is a felony of the
first degree.

(e) A person who willfully attempts in any manner to evade any tax, surcharge, or fee imposed under this chapter or the payment thereof is, in addition to any other penalties provided by law, liable for a specific penalty in the amount of 100 percent of the tax, surcharge, or fee, and commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

(f) When any person, firm, or corporation fails to timely remit the proper estimated payment required under s. 212.11, a specific penalty shall be added in an amount equal to 10 percent of any unpaid estimated tax. Beginning with January 1, 1985,

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2745 returns, the department, upon a showing of reasonable cause, is 2746 authorized to waive or compromise penalties imposed by this 2747 paragraph. However, other penalties and interest shall be due 2748 and payable if the return on which the estimated payment was due 2749 was not timely or properly filed.

2750 A dealer who files a consolidated return pursuant to (q) 2751 s. 212.11(1)(e) is subject to the penalty established in 2752 paragraph (e) unless the dealer has paid the required estimated 2753 tax for his or her consolidated return as a whole without regard 2754 to each location. If the dealer fails to pay the required 2755 estimated tax for his or her consolidated return as a whole, 2756 each filing location shall stand on its own with respect to 2757 calculating penalties pursuant to paragraph (f).

2758 When any dealer, or other person charged herein, fails (3) to remit the tax, or any portion thereof, on or before the day 2759 2760 when such tax is required by law to be paid, there shall be 2761 added to the amount due interest at the rate of 1 percent per 2762 month of the amount due from the date due until paid. Interest 2763 on the delinquent tax shall be calculated beginning on the 21st 2764 day of the month following the month for which the tax is due, 2765 except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(4) All penalties and interest imposed by this chapter shall be payable to and collectible by the department in the same manner as if they were a part of the tax imposed. The department may settle or compromise any such interest or penalties pursuant to s. 213.21.

(5) (a) The department is authorized to audit or inspect
 the records and accounts of dealers defined herein, including

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2773 audits or inspections of dealers who make mail order sales to 2774 the extent permitted by another state, and to correct by credit 2775 any overpayment of tax, and, in the event of a deficiency, an 2776 assessment shall be made and collected. No administrative 2777 finding of fact is necessary prior to the assessment of any tax 2778 deficiency.

2779 In the event any dealer or other person charged herein (b) 2780 fails or refuses to make his or her records available for 2781 inspection so that no audit or examination has been made of the 2782 books and records of such dealer or person, fails or refuses to 2783 register as a dealer, fails to make a report and pay the tax as 2784 provided by this chapter, makes a grossly incorrect report or 2785 makes a report that is false or fraudulent, then, in such event, 2786 it shall be the duty of the department to make an assessment 2787 from an estimate based upon the best information then available 2788 to it for the taxable period of retail sales of such dealer, the 2789 gross proceeds from rentals, the total admissions received, 2790 amounts received from leases of tangible personal property by 2791 such dealer, or of the cost price of all articles of tangible 2792 personal property imported by the dealer for use or consumption 2793 or distribution or storage to be used or consumed in this state, 2794 or of the sales or cost price of all services the sale or use of 2795 which is taxable under this chapter, together with interest, 2796 plus penalty, if such have accrued, as the case may be. Then the 2797 department shall proceed to collect such taxes, interest, and 2798 penalty on the basis of such assessment which shall be 2799 considered prima facie correct, and the burden to show the 2800 contrary shall rest upon the dealer, seller, owner, or lessor,

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2801 as the case may be.

The department is given the power to prescribe the 2802 (6) (a) 2803 records to be kept by all persons subject to taxes imposed by 2804 this chapter. It shall be the duty of every person required to 2805 make a report and pay any tax under this chapter, every person 2806 receiving rentals or license fees, and owners of places of 2807 admission, to keep and preserve suitable records of the sales, 2808 leases, rentals, license fees, admissions, or purchases, as the 2809 case may be, taxable under this chapter; such other books of 2810 account as may be necessary to determine the amount of the tax 2811 due hereunder; and other information as may be required by the 2812 department. It shall be the duty of every such person so charged 2813 with such duty, moreover, to keep and preserve as long as 2814 required by s. 213.35 all invoices and other records of goods, 2815 wares, and merchandise; records of admissions, leases, license 2816 fees and rentals; and records of all other subjects of taxation 2817 under this chapter. All such books, invoices, and other records 2818 shall be open to examination at all reasonable hours to the 2819 department or any of its duly authorized agents.

2820 For the purpose of this subsection, if a dealer does (b) not have adequate records of his or her retail sales or 2821 2822 purchases, the department may, upon the basis of a test or 2823 sampling of the dealer's available records or other information 2824 relating to the sales or purchases made by such dealer for a 2825 representative period, determine the proportion that taxable 2826 retail sales bear to total retail sales or the proportion that 2827 taxable purchases bear to total purchases. This subsection does 2828 not affect the duty of the dealer to collect, or the liability

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2829 of any consumer to pay, any tax imposed by or pursuant to this 2830 chapter.

2831 If the records of a dealer are adequate but (c)1. 2832 voluminous in nature and substance, the department may sample 2833 such records and project the audit findings derived therefrom 2834 over the entire audit period to determine the proportion that 2835 taxable retail sales bear to total retail sales or the 2836 proportion that taxable purchases bear to total purchases. In 2837 order to conduct such a sample, the department must first make a 2838 good faith effort to reach an agreement with the dealer, which 2839 agreement provides for the means and methods to be used in the 2840 sampling process. In the event that no agreement is reached, the 2841 dealer is entitled to a review by the executive director. In the 2842 case of fixed assets, a dealer may agree in writing with the 2843 department for adequate but voluminous records to be 2844 statistically sampled. Such an agreement shall provide for the methodology to be used in the statistical sampling process. The 2845 2846 audit findings derived therefrom shall be projected over the 2847 period represented by the sample in order to determine the proportion that taxable purchases bear to total purchases. Once 2848 2849 an agreement has been signed, it is final and conclusive with 2850 respect to the method of sampling fixed assets, and the 2851 department may not conduct a detailed audit of fixed assets, and 2852 the taxpayer may not request a detailed audit after the 2853 agreement is reached.

2854 2. For the purposes of sampling pursuant to subparagraph
2855 1., the department shall project any deficiencies and
2856 overpayments derived therefrom over the entire audit period. In

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2857 determining the dealer's compliance, the department shall reduce 2858 any tax deficiency as derived from the sample by the amount of 2859 any overpayment derived from the sample. In the event the 2860 department determines from the sample results that the dealer 2861 has a net tax overpayment, the department shall provide the 2862 findings of this overpayment to the Chief Financial Officer for 2863 repayment of funds paid into the State Treasury through error 2864 pursuant to s. 215.26.

3.a. A taxpayer is entitled, both in connection with an 2865 2866 audit and in connection with an application for refund filed 2867 independently of any audit, to establish the amount of any 2868 refund or deficiency through statistical sampling when the 2869 taxpayer's records are adequate but voluminous. In the case of 2870 fixed assets, a dealer may agree in writing with the department 2871 for adequate but voluminous records to be statistically sampled. 2872 Such an agreement shall provide for the methodology to be used 2873 in the statistical sampling process. The audit findings derived 2874 therefrom shall be projected over the period represented by the 2875 sample in order to determine the proportion that taxable 2876 purchases bear to total purchases. Once an agreement has been 2877 signed, it is final and conclusive with respect to the method of 2878 sampling fixed assets, and the department may not conduct a 2879 detailed audit of fixed assets, and the taxpayer may not request 2880 a detailed audit after the agreement is reached.

2881 b. Alternatively, a taxpayer is entitled to establish any 2882 refund or deficiency through any other sampling method agreed 2883 upon by the taxpayer and the department when the taxpayer's 2884 records, other than those regarding fixed assets, are adequate

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but voluminous. Whether done through statistical sampling or any other sampling method agreed upon by the taxpayer and the department, the completed sample must reflect both overpayments and underpayments of taxes due. The sample shall be conducted through:

(I) A taxpayer request to perform the sampling through thecertified audit program pursuant to s. 213.285;

(II) Attestation by a certified public accountant as to the adequacy of the sampling method utilized and the results reached using such sampling method; or

2895 (III) A sampling method that has been submitted by the 2896 taxpayer and approved by the department before a refund claim is 2897 submitted. This sub-subparagraph does not prohibit a 2898 taxpayer from filing a refund claim prior to approval by the 2899 department of the sampling method; however, a refund claim 2900 submitted before the sampling method has been approved by the 2901 department cannot be a complete refund application pursuant to 2902 s. 213.255 until the sampling method has been approved by the 2903 department.

2904 The department shall prescribe by rule the procedures с. 2905 to be followed under each method of sampling. Such procedures 2906 shall follow generally accepted auditing procedures for 2907 sampling. The rule shall also set forth other criteria regarding 2908 the use of sampling, including, but not limited to, training 2909 requirements that must be met before a sampling method may be 2910 utilized and the steps necessary for the department and the 2911 taxpayer to reach agreement on a sampling method submitted by 2912 the taxpayer for approval by the department.

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2913 In the event the dealer has imported tangible personal (7)2914 property and he or she fails to produce an invoice showing the 2915 cost price of the articles, as defined in this chapter, which 2916 are subject to tax, or the invoice does not reflect the true or 2917 actual cost price as defined herein, then the department shall 2918 ascertain, in any manner feasible, the true cost price, and 2919 assess and collect the tax thereon with interest plus penalties, 2920 if such have accrued on the true cost price as assessed by it. The assessment so made shall be considered prima facie correct, 2921 2922 and the duty shall be on the dealer to show to the contrary.

2923 In the case of the lease or rental of tangible (8) 2924 personal property, or other rentals or license fees as herein 2925 defined and taxed, if the consideration given or reported by the 2926 lessor, person receiving rental or license fee, or dealer does 2927 not, in the judgment of the department, represent the true or 2928 actual consideration, then the department is authorized to 2929 ascertain the same and assess and collect the tax thereon in the 2930 same manner as above provided, with respect to imported tangible 2931 property, together with interest, plus penalties, if such have 2932 accrued.

2933 (9) Taxes imposed by this chapter upon the privilege of 2934 the use, consumption, storage for consumption, or sale of tangible personal property, admissions, license fees, rentals, 2935 2936 communication services, and upon the sale or use of services as 2937 herein taxed shall be collected upon the basis of an addition of 2938 the tax imposed by this chapter to the total price of such admissions, license fees, rentals, communication or other 2939 2940 services, or sale price of such article or articles that are

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2941 purchased, sold, or leased at any one time by or to a customer 2942 or buyer; the dealer, or person charged herein, is required to 2943 pay a privilege tax in the amount of the tax imposed by this 2944 chapter on the total of his or her gross sales of tangible 2945 personal property, admissions, license fees, rentals, and 2946 communication services or to collect a tax upon the sale or use 2947 of services, and such person or dealer shall add the tax imposed 2948 by this chapter to the price, license fee, rental, or 2949 admissions, and communication or other services and collect the 2950 total sum from the purchaser, admittee, licensee, lessee, or 2951 consumer. In computing the tax due or to be collected as the 2952 result of any transaction, the seller may elect to compute the 2953 tax due on a transaction on a per-item basis or on an invoice 2954 basis. The tax rate shall be the sum of the applicable state and local rates, if any, and the tax computation shall be carried to 2955 2956 the third decimal place. Whenever the third decimal place is 2957 greater than four, the tax shall be rounded to the next whole 2958 cent. The department shall make available in an electronic 2959 format or otherwise the tax amounts and the following brackets 2960 applicable to all transactions taxable at the rate of 6 percent: 2961 (a) On single sales of less than 10 cents, no tax shall 2962 added. 2963 (b) On single sales in amounts from 10 cents to 16 cents, 2964 both inclusive, 1 cent shall be added for taxes. 2965 (c) On sales in amounts from 17 cents to 33 cents, both 2966 inclusive, 2 cents shall be added for taxes. 2967 (d) On sales in amounts from 34 cents to 50 cents, both 2968 inclusive, 3 cents shall be added for taxes. Page 106 of 151

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2969	(e) On sales in amounts from 51 cents to 66 cents, both		
2970	inclusive, 4 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2971	(f) On sales in amounts from 67 cents to 83 cents, both		
2972	inclusive, 5 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2973	(g) On sales in amounts from 84 cents to \$1, both		
2974	inclusive, 6 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2975	(h) On sales in amounts of more than \$1, 6 percent shall		
2976	be charged upon each dollar of price, plus the appropriate		
2977	bracket charge upon any fractional part of a dollar.		
2978	(10) In counties which have adopted a discretionary sales		
2979	surtax at the rate of 1 percent, the department shall make		
2980	available in an electronic format or otherwise the tax amounts		
2981	and the following brackets applicable to all taxable		
2982	transactions that would otherwise have been transactions taxable		
2983	at the rate of 6 percent:		
2984	(a) On single sales of less than 10 cents, no tax shall be		
2985	added.		
2986	(b) On single sales in amounts from 10 cents to 14 cents,		
2987	both inclusive, 1 cent shall be added for taxes.		
2988	(c) On sales in amounts from 15 cents to 28 cents, both		
2989	inclusive, 2 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2990	(d) On sales in amounts from 29 cents to 42 cents, both		
2991	inclusive, 3 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2992	(e) On sales in amounts from 43 cents to 57 cents, both		
2993	inclusive, 4 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2994	(f) On sales in amounts from 58 cents to 71 cents, both		
2995	inclusive, 5 cents shall be added for taxes.		
2996	(g) On sales in amounts from 72 cents to 85 cents, both		
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2997 inclusive, 6 cents shall be added for taxes. 2998 (h) On sales in amounts from 86 cents to \$1, both 2999 inclusive, 7 cents shall be added for taxes. 3000 (i) On sales in amounts from \$1 up to, and including, the 3001 first \$5,000 in price, 7 percent shall be charged upon each 3002 dollar of price, plus the appropriate bracket charge upon any 3003 fractional part of a dollar. 3004 (j) On sales in amounts of more than \$5,000 in price, 7 3005 percent shall be added upon the first \$5,000 in price, and 6 3006 percent shall be added upon each dollar of price in excess of 3007 the first \$5,000 in price, plus the bracket charges upon any 3008 fractional part of a dollar as provided for in subsection (9). 3009 (11) The department shall make available in an electronic 3010 format or otherwise the tax amounts and brackets applicable to 3011 all taxable transactions that occur in counties that have a 3012 surtax at a rate other than 1 percent which transactions would 3013 otherwise have been transactions taxable at the rate of 6 3014 percent. Likewise, the department shall make available in an 3015 electronic format or otherwise the tax amounts and brackets 3016 applicable to transactions taxable at 7 percent pursuant to s. 3017 212.05(1)(e) and on transactions which would otherwise have 3018 so taxable in counties which have adopted a discretionary sales 3019 surtax.

3020 <u>(10)(12)</u> It is hereby declared to be the legislative 3021 intent that, whenever in the construction, administration, or 3022 enforcement of this chapter there may be any question respecting 3023 a duplication of the tax, the end consumer, or last retail sale, 3024 be the sale intended to be taxed and insofar as may be

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3025 practicable there be no duplication or pyramiding of the tax.

3026 (11) (13) In order to aid the administration and 3027 enforcement of the provisions of this chapter with respect to 3028 the rentals and license fees, each lessor or person granting the 3029 use of any hotel, apartment house, roominghouse, tourist or 3030 trailer camp, real property, or any interest therein, or any 3031 portion thereof, inclusive of owners; property managers; 3032 lessors; landlords; hotel, apartment house, and roominghouse 3033 operators; and all licensed real estate agents within the state 3034 leasing, granting the use of, or renting such property, shall be 3035 required to keep a record of each and every such lease, license, 3036 or rental transaction which is taxable under this chapter, in 3037 such a manner and upon such forms as the department may 3038 prescribe, and to report such transaction to the department or 3039 its designated agents, and to maintain such records as long as 3040 required by s. 213.35, subject to the inspection of the 3041 department and its agents. Upon the failure by such owner; 3042 property manager; lessor; landlord; hotel, apartment house, 3043 roominghouse, tourist or trailer camp operator; or real estate 3044 agent to keep and maintain such records and to make such reports 3045 upon the forms and in the manner prescribed, such owner; 3046 property manager; lessor; landlord; hotel, apartment house, 3047 roominghouse, tourist or trailer camp operator; receiver of rent 3048 or license fees; or real estate agent is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 3049 3050 775.083, for the first offense; for subsequent offenses, they 3051 are each quilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable 3052 as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. If, however, any

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3053 subsequent offense involves intentional destruction of such 3054 records with an intent to evade payment of or deprive the state 3055 of any tax revenues, such subsequent offense shall be a felony 3056 of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 3057 775.083.

3058 (14) If it is determined upon audit that a dealer has 3059 collected and remitted taxes by applying the applicable tax rate 3060 to each transaction as described in subsection (9) and rounding 3061 the tax due to the nearest whole cent rather than applying the 3062 appropriate bracket system provided by law or department rule, 3063 the dealer shall not be held liable for additional tax, penalty, 3064 and interest resulting from such failure if:

3065 (a) The dealer acted in a good faith belief that rounding 3066 to the nearest whole cent was the proper method of determining 3067 the amount of tax due on each taxable transaction.

3068 (b) The dealer timely reported and remitted all taxes 3069 collected on each taxable transaction.

3070 (c) The dealer agrees in writing to future compliance with 3071 the laws and rules concerning brackets applicable to the 3072 dealer's transactions.

3073 Section 13. Subsection (3) of section 212.17, Florida 3074 Statutes, is amended to read:

3075 212.17 Credits for returned goods, rentals, or admissions; 3076 goods acquired for dealer's own use and subsequently resold; 3077 additional powers of department.--

3078 (3) A dealer who has paid the tax imposed by this chapter
3079 on tangible personal property or services may take a credit or
3080 obtain a refund for any tax paid by the dealer on the unpaid

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3081 balance due on worthless accounts within 12 months following the 3082 month in which the bad debt has been charged off for federal 3083 income tax purposes. A dealer that has paid the tax imposed by 3084 this chapter on tangible personal property or services and that 3085 is not required to file federal income tax returns may take a 3086 credit against or obtain a refund for any tax paid by the dealer 3087 on the unpaid balance due on worthless accounts within 12 months 3088 following the month in which the bad debt is written off as 3089 uncollectible in the dealer's books and records and would be 3090 eligible for a bad-debt deduction for federal income tax 3091 purposes if the dealer was required to file a federal income tax 3092 return. 3093 (a) A dealer that is taking a credit against or obtaining 3094 a refund on worthless accounts shall base the bad-debt-recovery 3095 calculation in accordance with 26 U.S.C. s. 166. 3096 (b) When the amount of bad debt exceeds the amount of 3097 taxable sales for the period during which the bad debt is 3098 written off, a refund claim must be filed, notwithstanding s. 215.26(2), within 3 years after the due date of the return on 3099 3100 which the bad debt could first be claimed. 3101 If any accounts so charged off for which a credit or (C) 3102 refund has been obtained are thereafter in whole or in part paid 3103 to the dealer, the amount so paid shall be included in the first 3104 return filed after such collection and the tax paid accordingly. 3105 (d) If filing responsibilities have been assumed by a certified service provider, the certified service provider shall 3106 claim, on behalf of the seller, any bad-debt allowance provided 3107 3108 by this subsection. The certified service provider shall credit Page 111 of 151

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3109	or refund to the seller the full amount of any bad-debt
3110	allowance or refund received.
3111	(e) For the purposes of reporting a payment received on a
3112	previously claimed bad debt, any payments made on a debt or
3113	account shall first be applied proportionally to the taxable
3114	price of the property or service and the sales tax on such
3115	property, and second to any interest, service charges, and any
3116	other charges.
3117	(f) In situations in which the books and records of the
3118	party claiming the bad-debt allowance support an allocation of
3119	the bad debts among states that are members of the Streamlined
3120	Sales and Use Tax Agreement, the allocation is permitted among
3121	those states.
3122	Section 14. Paragraphs (a) and (e) of subsection (3) of
3123	section 212.18, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
3124	212.18 Administration of law; registration of dealers;
3125	rules
3126	(3)(a) Every person desiring to engage in or conduct
3127	business in this state as a dealer, as defined in this chapter,
3128	or to lease, rent, or let or grant licenses in living quarters
3129	or sleeping or housekeeping accommodations in hotels, apartment
3130	houses, roominghouses, or tourist or trailer camps that are
3131	subject to tax under s. 212.03, or to lease, rent, or let or
3132	grant licenses in real property, as defined in this chapter, and
3133	every person who sells or receives anything of value by way of
3134	admissions, must file with the department an application for a
3135	certificate of registration for each place of business, showing
3136	the names of the persons who have interests in such business and
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3137 their residences, the address of the business, and such other 3138 data as the department may reasonably require. However, owners 3139 and operators of vending machines or newspaper rack machines are 3140 required to obtain only one certificate of registration for each 3141 county in which such machines are located. The department, by 3142 rule, may authorize a dealer that uses independent sellers to 3143 sell its merchandise to remit tax on the retail sales price 3144 charged to the ultimate consumer in lieu of having the 3145 independent seller register as a dealer and remit the tax. The 3146 department may appoint the county tax collector as the 3147 department's agent to accept applications for registrations. The application must be made to the department before the person, 3148 3149 firm, copartnership, or corporation may engage in such business, 3150 and it must be accompanied by a registration fee of \$5. However, 3151 a registration fee is not required to accompany an application 3152 to engage in or conduct business to make mail order sales. The 3153 department may waive the registration fee for applications 3154 submitted through the department's Internet registration process 3155 or central electronic registration system provided by member states of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement. 3156

(e) As used in this paragraph, the term "exhibitor" means a person who enters into an agreement authorizing the display of tangible personal property or services at a convention or a trade show. The following provisions apply to the registration of exhibitors as dealers under this chapter:

An exhibitor whose agreement prohibits the sale of
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 imposed in this chapter is not required to register as a dealer.

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3165 2. An exhibitor whose agreement provides for the sale at 3166 wholesale only of tangible personal property or services subject 3167 to the tax imposed in this chapter must obtain a resale 3168 certificate from the purchasing dealer but is not required to 3169 register as a dealer.

3170 3. An exhibitor whose agreement authorizes the retail sale 3171 of tangible personal property or services subject to the tax 3172 imposed in this chapter must register as a dealer and collect 3173 the tax imposed under this chapter on such sales.

3174 4. Any exhibitor who makes a mail order sale pursuant to
 3175 s. 212.0596 must register as a dealer.

3177 Any person who conducts a convention or a trade show must make 3178 their exhibitor's agreements available to the department for 3179 inspection and copying.

3180 Section 15. Section 212.20, Florida Statutes, is amended 3181 to read:

3182 212.20 Funds collected, disposition; additional powers of 3183 department; operational expense; refund of taxes adjudicated 3184 unconstitutionally collected.--

3185 (1) The department shall pay over to the Chief Financial 3186 Officer of the state all funds received and collected by it 3187 under the provisions of this chapter, to be credited to the 3188 account of the General Revenue Fund of the state.

3189 (2) The department is authorized to employ all necessary 3190 assistants to administer this chapter properly and is also 3191 authorized to purchase all necessary supplies and equipment 3192 which may be required for this purpose.

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(3) The estimated amount of money needed for the administration of this chapter shall be included by the department in its annual legislative budget request for the operation of its office.

3197 (4) When there has been a final adjudication that any tax 3198 pursuant to s. 212.0596 was levied, collected, or both, contrary the Constitution of the United States or the State 3199 to 3200 Constitution, the department shall, in accordance with rules, 3201 determine, based upon claims for refund and other evidence and 3202 information, who paid such tax or taxes, and refund to each such 3203 person the amount of tax paid. For purposes of this subsection, 3204 a "final adjudication" is a decision of a court of competent 3205 jurisdiction from which no appeal can be taken or from which the 3206 official or officials of this state with authority to make such 3207 decisions has or have decided not to appeal.

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(4) (4) (5) For the purposes of this section, the term:

3209 (a) "Proceeds" means all tax or fee revenue collected or3210 received by the department, including interest and penalties.

3211 (b) "Reallocate" means reduction of the accounts of 3212 initial deposit and redeposit into the indicated account.

3213 (5)(6) Distribution of all proceeds under this chapter and 3214 s. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) shall be as follows:

3215 (a) Proceeds from the convention development taxes
3216 authorized under s. 212.0305 shall be reallocated to the
3217 Convention Development Tax Clearing Trust Fund.

(b) Proceeds from discretionary sales surtaxes imposed
 pursuant to ss. 212.054 and 212.055 shall be reallocated to the
 Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund.

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3221 (c) Proceeds from the fees imposed under ss.
3222 212.05(1)(h)3. and 212.18(3) shall remain with the General
3223 Revenue Fund.

3224 (d) The proceeds of all other taxes and fees imposed
3225 pursuant to this chapter or remitted pursuant to s. 202.18(1)(b)
3226 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 5.2 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.

3233 2. After the distribution under subparagraph 1., 8.814 3234 percent of the amount remitted by a sales tax dealer located 3235 within a participating county pursuant to s. 218.61 shall be 3236 transferred into the Local Government Half-cent Sales Tax 3237 Clearing Trust Fund. Beginning July 1, 2003, the amount to be 3238 transferred shall be reduced by 0.1 percent, and the department 3239 shall distribute this amount to the Public Employees Relations 3240 Commission Trust Fund less \$5,000 each month, which shall be 3241 added to the amount calculated in subparagraph 3. and 3242 distributed accordingly.

3243 3. After the distribution under subparagraphs 1.and 2., 3244 0.095 percent shall be transferred to the Local Government Half-3245 cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund and distributed pursuant to 3246 s. 218.65.

3247 4. After the distributions under subparagraphs 1., 2., and3248 3., 2.0440 percent of the available proceeds shall be

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3249 transferred monthly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for 3250 Counties pursuant to s. 218.215.

3251 5. After the distributions under subparagraphs 1., 2., and 3252 3., 1.3409 percent of the available proceeds shall be 3253 transferred monthly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for 3254 Municipalities pursuant to s. 218.215. If the total revenue to 3255 be distributed pursuant to this subparagraph is at least as 3256 great as the amount due from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for 3257 Municipalities and the former Municipal Financial Assistance 3258 Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000, no municipality shall 3259 receive less than the amount due from the Revenue Sharing Trust 3260 Fund for Municipalities and the former Municipal Financial 3261 Assistance Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000. If the 3262 total proceeds to be distributed are less than the amount 3263 received in combination from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for 3264 Municipalities and the former Municipal Financial Assistance 3265 Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000, each municipality 3266 shall receive an amount proportionate to the amount it was due 3267 in state fiscal year 1999-2000.

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6. Of the remaining proceeds:

3269 In each fiscal year, the sum of \$29,915,500 shall be a. 3270 divided into as many equal parts as there are counties in the 3271 state, and one part shall be distributed to each county. The 3272 distribution among the several counties must begin each fiscal 3273 year on or before January 5th and continue monthly for a total 3274 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-3275 3276 existing provisions of s. 550.135 be paid directly to the

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3277 district school board, special district, or a municipal 3278 government, such payment must continue until the local or 3279 special law is amended or repealed. The state covenants with 3280 holders of bonds or other instruments of indebtedness issued by 3281 local governments, special districts, or district school boards 3282 before July 1, 2000, that it is not the intent of this 3283 subparagraph to adversely affect the rights of those holders or 3284 relieve local governments, special districts, or district school 3285 boards of the duty to meet their obligations as a result of 3286 previous pledges or assignments or trusts entered into which 3287 obligated funds received from the distribution to county 3288 governments under then-existing s. 550.135. This distribution 3289 specifically is in lieu of funds distributed under s. 550.135 3290 before July 1, 2000.

3291 The department shall distribute \$166,667 monthly b. 3292 pursuant to s. 288.1162 to each applicant that has been 3293 certified as a "facility for a new professional sports 3294 franchise" or a "facility for a retained professional sports 3295 franchise" pursuant to s. 288.1162. Up to \$41,667 shall be distributed monthly by the department to each applicant that has 3296 3297 been certified as a "facility for a retained spring training 3298 franchise" pursuant to s. 288.1162; however, not more than 3299 \$416,670 may be distributed monthly in the aggregate to all 3300 certified facilities for a retained spring training franchise. 3301 Distributions must begin 60 days following such certification 3302 and shall continue for not more than 30 years. This paragraph 3303 may not be construed to allow an applicant certified pursuant to 3304 s. 288.1162 to receive more in distributions than actually

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3305 expended by the applicant for the public purposes provided for 3306 in s. 288.1162(6).

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.

3313 d. Beginning 30 days after notice by the Office of 3314 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to the Department of 3315 Revenue that the applicant has been certified as the 3316 International Game Fish Association World Center facility pursuant to s. 288.1169, and the facility is open to the public, 3317 3318 \$83,333 shall be distributed monthly, for up to 168 months, to 3319 the applicant. This distribution is subject to reduction 3320 pursuant to s. 288.1169. A lump sum payment of \$999,996 shall be 3321 made, after certification and before July 1, 2000.

3322 7. All other proceeds must remain in the General Revenue3323 Fund.

3324 Section 16. Section 213.052, Florida Statutes, is created 3325 to read:

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213.052 Notice of state sales and use tax rate changes.-3327
(1) A sales or use tax rate change imposed under chapter
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212 is effective on January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1.
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The Department of Revenue shall provide notice of such rate
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change to all affected sellers 60 days before the effective date
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of the rate change.
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(2) Failure of a seller to receive notice does not relieve

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the seller of its obligation to collect sales or use tax.
Section 17. Section 213.0521, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:
213.0521 Effective date of state sales and use tax rate
changesThe effective date for services covering a period
starting before and ending after the statutory effective date is
as follows:
(1) For a rate increase, the new rate applies to the first
billing period starting on or after the effective date.
(2) For a rate decrease, the new rate applies to bills
rendered on or after the effective date.
Section 18. Section 213.215, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:
213.215 Sales and use tax amnesty upon registration in
accordance with the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement
(1) Amnesty shall be provided for uncollected or unpaid
sales or use tax to a seller who registers to pay or to collect
and remit applicable sales or use tax in accordance with the
terms of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement authorized
under s. 213.256, if the seller was not registered with the
Department of Revenue in the 12-month period preceding the
effective date of participation in the agreement by this state.
(2) The amnesty precludes assessment for uncollected or
unpaid sales or use tax, together with penalty or interest for
sales made during the period the seller was not registered with
the Department of Revenue, if registration occurs within 12
months after the effective date of this state's participation in
the agreement.

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3361 The amnesty is not available to a seller with respect (3) 3362 to any matter for which the seller received notice of the 3363 commencement of an audit if the audit is not yet finally 3364 resolved, including any related administrative and judicial 3365 processes. 3366 (4) The amnesty is not available for sales or use taxes 3367 already paid or remitted to the state or to taxes collected by 3368 the seller. 3369 (5) The amnesty is fully effective, absent the seller's 3370 fraud or intentional misrepresentation of a material fact, as 3371 long as the seller continues registration and continues payment 3372 or collection and remittance of applicable sales or use taxes 3373 for at least 36 months. 3374 The amnesty applies only to sales or use taxes due (6) 3375 from a seller in its capacity as a seller and not to sales or 3376 use taxes due from a seller in its capacity as a buyer. 3377 Section 19. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 213.256, 3378 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: Simplified Sales and Use Tax Administration Act.--3379 213.256 3380 (1) As used in this section and ss. 213.2562 and 213.2567, 3381 the term: 3382 "Agent" means, for purposes of carrying out the (a) 3383 responsibilities placed on a dealer, a person appointed by the seller to represent the seller before the department. 3384 3385 "Department" means the Department of Revenue. "Agreement" means the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax 3386 (b) Agreement as amended and adopted on January 27, 2001, by the 3387 3388 Executive Committee of the National Conference of State Page 121 of 151

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3389 Legislatures. "Certified automated system" means software certified 3390 (C) 3391 jointly by the state states that are signatories to the 3392 agreement to calculate the tax imposed by each jurisdiction on a 3393 transaction, determine the amount of tax to remit to the 3394 appropriate state, and maintain a record of the transaction. 3395 "Certified service provider" means an agent certified (d) 3396 jointly by the states that are signatories to the agreement to perform all of the seller's sales tax functions other than the 3397 3398 seller's obligation to remit tax on its own purchases. 3399 "Department" means the Department of Revenue. (e) 3400 "Governing board" means the governing board of the (f) 3401 agreement. (g)1. "Model 1 seller" means a seller that has selected a 3402 3403 certified service provider as the seller's agent to perform all 3404 of the seller's sales and use tax functions other than the 3405 seller's obligation to remit tax on the seller's purchases. 3406 2. "Model 2 seller" means a seller that has selected a 3407 certified automated system to perform part of the seller's sales 3408 and use tax functions, but retains responsibility for remitting 3409 the tax. 3410 3. "Model 3 seller" means a seller that has sales in at 3411 least five member states, has total annual sales revenue of at 3412 least \$500 million, has a proprietary system that calculates the amount of tax due each jurisdiction, and has entered into a 3413 3414 performance agreement with the member states which establishes a 3415 tax performance standard for the seller. 3416

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3417	As used in this paragraph, a seller includes an affiliated group
3418	of sellers using the same proprietary system.
3419	(h) (e) "Person" means an individual, trust, estate,
3420	fiduciary, partnership, limited liability company, limited
3421	liability partnership, corporation, or any other legal entity.
3422	(i) "Registered under this agreement" means registration
3423	by a seller with the member states under the central
3424	registration system.
3425	(j) (f) "Sales tax" means the tax levied under chapter 212.
3426	<u>(k)</u> "Seller" means any person making sales, leases, or
3427	rentals of personal property or services.
3428	<u>(1)</u> "State" means any state of the United States and
3429	the District of Columbia.
3430	(m)(i) "Use tax" means the tax levied under chapter 212.
3431	(2)(a) The executive director of the department <u>is</u>
3432	authorized to shall enter into an agreement the Streamlined
3433	Sales and Use Tax Agreement with one or more states to simplify
3434	and modernize sales and use tax administration in order to
3435	substantially reduce the burden of tax compliance for all
3436	sellers and for all types of commerce. In furtherance of the
3437	agreement, the executive director of the department or his or
3438	her designee shall act jointly with other states that are
3439	members of the agreement to establish standards for
3440	certification of a certified service provider and certified
3441	automated systems system and central registration systems
3442	establish performance standards for multistate sellers.
3443	(b) The executive director of the department or his or her
3444	designee shall take other actions reasonably required to

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3445 administer this section. Other actions authorized by this 3446 section include, but are not limited to, the adoption of rules 3447 and the joint procurement, with other member states, of goods 3448 and services in furtherance of the cooperative agreement.

3449 (c) The executive director of the department or his or her 3450 designee may represent this state before the other states that 3451 are signatories to the agreement.

3452 (d) The executive director of the department or his or her
3453 designee is authorized to prepare and submit from time to time
3454 such reports and certifications as may be determined necessary
3455 according to the terms of an agreement and to enter into such
3456 other agreements with the governing board, member states, and
3457 service providers as are determined by the executive director to
3458 facilitate the administration of the tax laws of this state.

3459 Section 20. Section 213.2562, Florida Statutes, is created 3460 to read:

3461 213.2562 Approval of software to calculate tax.--The 3462 department shall review software submitted to the governing 3463 board for certification as a certified automated system. If the 3464 software accurately reflects the taxability of product 3465 categories included in the program, the department shall certify 3466 the approval of the software to the governing board. 3467 Section 21. Section 213.2567, Florida Statutes, is created 3468 to read: 3469 213.2567 Simplified Sales and Use Tax Agreement

3470 registration, certification, liability, and audit.--

3471(1) A seller that registers under the agreement agrees to3472collect and remit sales and use taxes for all taxable sales into

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3473	the member states, including member states joining after the
3474	seller's registration. Withdrawal or revocation of this state
3475	does not relieve a seller of its responsibility to remit taxes
3476	previously or subsequently collected on behalf of the state.
3477	(a) When registering, the seller may select a model 1,
3478	model 2, or model 3 method of remittance or other method allowed
3479	by state law to remit the taxes collected.
3480	(b) A seller may be registered by an agent. Such an
3481	appointment must be in writing and submitted to a member state.
3482	(2)(a) A certified service provider is the agent of a
3483	model 1 seller with whom the certified service provider has
3484	contracted for the collection and remittance of sales and use
3485	taxes. As the model 1 seller's agent, the certified service
3486	provider is liable for sales and use tax due this state on all
3487	sales transactions it processes for the model 1 seller, except
3488	as set out in paragraph (b).
3489	(b) A model 1 seller is not liable to the state for sales
3490	or use tax due on transactions processed by the certified
3491	service provider unless the model 1 seller has misrepresented
3492	the type of items it sells or has committed fraud. In the
3493	absence of probable cause to believe that the model 1 seller has
3494	committed fraud or made a material misrepresentation, the model
3495	1 seller is not subject to audit on the transactions processed
3496	by the certified service provider. A model 1 seller is subject
3497	to audit for transactions that have not been processed by the
3498	certified service provider. The member states acting jointly may
3499	perform a system check of the model 1 seller and review the
3500	model 1 seller's procedures to determine if the certified
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3501 service provider's system is functioning properly and to determine the extent to which the model 1 seller's transactions 3502 3503 are being processed by the certified service provider. 3504 (3) A model 2 seller that uses a certified automated 3505 system remains responsible and is liable to this state for 3506 reporting and remitting tax. However, a model 2 seller is not 3507 responsible for errors in reliance on a certified automated 3508 system. 3509 (4) A model 3 seller is liable for the failure of the 3510 proprietary system to meet the performance standard. 3511 (5) A person that provides a certified automated system is 3512 not liable for errors contained in software that was approved by 3513 the department and certified to the governing board. However, 3514 such person: 3515 Is responsible for the proper functioning of that (a) 3516 system; 3517 (b) Is liable to this state for underpayments of tax 3518 attributable to errors in the functioning of the certified 3519 automated system; and Is liable for the misclassification of an item or 3520 (C) 3521 transaction that is not corrected within 10 days following the 3522 receipt of notice from the department. 3523 The executive director of the department or his or her (6) 3524 designee may certify a person as a certified service provider if 3525 the person meets all of the following requirements: 3526 (a) Uses a certified automated system; 3527 (b) Integrates its certified automated system with the 3528 system of a seller for whom the person collects tax so that the

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3529 tax due on a sale is determined at the time of the sale; 3530 (c) Agrees to remit the taxes it collects at the time and 3531 in the manner specified by chapter 212; 3532 Agrees to file returns on behalf of the sellers for (d) 3533 whom it collects tax; 3534 (e) Agrees to protect the privacy of tax information it 3535 obtains in accordance with s. 213.053; and 3536 (f) Enters into a contract with the department and agrees 3537 to comply with the terms of the contract. 3538 The department shall review software submitted to the (7) 3539 governing board for certification as a certified automated 3540 system. The executive director of the department shall certify 3541 the approval of the software to the governing board if the 3542 software: 3543 (a) Determines the applicable state and local sales and 3544 use tax rate for a transaction in accordance with s. 212.06(3) 3545 and (4); (b) 3546 Determines whether an item is exempt from tax; 3547 (C) Determines the amount of tax to be remitted for each 3548 taxpayer for a reporting period; and 3549 Can generate reports and returns as required by the (d) 3550 governing board. 3551 The department may by rule establish one or more sales (8) 3552 tax performance standards for model 3 sellers. 3553 Disclosure of information necessary under this section (9) 3554 must be made according to a written agreement between the 3555 executive director of the department or his or her designee and 3556 the certified service provider. The certified service provider

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3557 is bound by the same requirements of confidentiality as the 3558 department employees. Breach of confidentiality is a misdemeanor 3559 of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 3560 775.083. 3561 Section 22. It is the intent of the Legislature to urge 3562 the United States Congress to consider adequate protections for 3563 small businesses engaging in both offline and online 3564 transactions from added costs, administrative burdens, and 3565 requirements imposed on intermediaries relating to the 3566 collection and remittance of sales and use tax. 3567 Section 23. The executive director of the Department of 3568 Revenue may adopt emergency rules to implement this act. 3569 Notwithstanding any other law, the emergency rules shall remain 3570 effective for 6 months after the date of adoption and may be 3571 renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt rules 3572 addressing the subject of the emergency rules. 3573 Section 24. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 3574 11.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 3575 11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules.--3576 (5) PETITION FOR AN AUDIT BY THE AUDITOR GENERAL.--The Legislative Auditing Committee shall direct the 3577 (a) 3578 Auditor General to make an audit of any municipality whenever 3579 petitioned to do so by at least 20 percent of the registered electors in the last general election of that municipality 3580 3581 pursuant to this subsection. The supervisor of elections of the 3582 county in which the municipality is located shall certify whether or not the petition contains the signatures of at least 3583 3584 20 percent of the registered electors of the municipality. After

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3585 the completion of the audit, the Auditor General shall determine 3586 whether the municipality has the fiscal resources necessary to 3587 pay the cost of the audit. The municipality shall pay the cost 3588 of the audit within 90 days after the Auditor General's 3589 determination that the municipality has the available resources. 3590 If the municipality fails to pay the cost of the audit, the 3591 Department of Revenue shall, upon certification of the Auditor 3592 General, withhold from that portion of the distribution pursuant 3593 to s. 212.20(5) (d) 5. which is distributable to such 3594 municipality, a sum sufficient to pay the cost of the audit and 3595 shall deposit that sum into the General Revenue Fund of the 3596 state.

3597 Section 25. Subsection (6) of section 196.012, Florida 3598 Statutes, is amended to read:

3599 196.012 Definitions.--For the purpose of this chapter, the 3600 following terms are defined as follows, except where the context 3601 clearly indicates otherwise:

3602 Governmental, municipal, or public purpose or function (6) 3603 shall be deemed to be served or performed when the lessee under 3604 any leasehold interest created in property of the United States, 3605 the state or any of its political subdivisions, or any 3606 municipality, agency, special district, authority, or other 3607 public body corporate of the state is demonstrated to perform a 3608 function or serve a governmental purpose which could properly be 3609 performed or served by an appropriate governmental unit or which 3610 is demonstrated to perform a function or serve a purpose which 3611 would otherwise be a valid subject for the allocation of public funds. For purposes of the preceding sentence, an activity 3612

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3613 undertaken by a lessee which is permitted under the terms of its 3614 lease of real property designated as an aviation area on an 3615 airport layout plan which has been approved by the Federal Aviation Administration and which real property is used for the 3616 3617 administration, operation, business offices and activities 3618 related specifically thereto in connection with the conduct of 3619 an aircraft full service fixed base operation which provides 3620 goods and services to the general aviation public in the 3621 promotion of air commerce shall be deemed an activity which 3622 serves a governmental, municipal, or public purpose or function. 3623 Any activity undertaken by a lessee which is permitted under the 3624 terms of its lease of real property designated as a public 3625 airport as defined in s. 332.004(14) by municipalities, 3626 agencies, special districts, authorities, or other public bodies 3627 corporate and public bodies politic of the state, a spaceport as 3628 defined in s. 331.303, or which is located in a deepwater port 3629 identified in s. 403.021(9)(b) and owned by one of the foregoing 3630 governmental units, subject to a leasehold or other possessory 3631 interest of a nongovernmental lessee that is deemed to perform 3632 an aviation, airport, aerospace, maritime, or port purpose or 3633 operation shall be deemed an activity that serves a 3634 governmental, municipal, or public purpose. The use by a lessee, 3635 licensee, or management company of real property or a portion thereof as a convention center, visitor center, sports facility 3636 3637 with permanent seating, concert hall, arena, stadium, park, or 3638 beach is deemed a use that serves a governmental, municipal, or 3639 public purpose or function when access to the property is open 3640 to the general public with or without a charge for admission. If

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3641 property deeded to a municipality by the United States is 3642 subject to a requirement that the Federal Government, through a 3643 schedule established by the Secretary of the Interior, determine 3644 that the property is being maintained for public historic 3645 preservation, park, or recreational purposes and if those 3646 conditions are not met the property will revert back to the Federal Government, then such property shall be deemed to serve 3647 3648 a municipal or public purpose. The term "governmental purpose" 3649 also includes a direct use of property on federal lands in 3650 connection with the Federal Government's Space Exploration 3651 Program or spaceport activities as defined in s. 212.02(22). 3652 Real property and tangible personal property owned by the 3653 Federal Government or Space Florida and used for defense and 3654 space exploration purposes or which is put to a use in support 3655 thereof shall be deemed to perform an essential national 3656 governmental purpose and shall be exempt. "Owned by the lessee" 3657 as used in this chapter does not include personal property, 3658 buildings, or other real property improvements used for the 3659 administration, operation, business offices and activities 3660 related specifically thereto in connection with the conduct of 3661 an aircraft full service fixed based operation which provides 3662 goods and services to the general aviation public in the 3663 promotion of air commerce provided that the real property is 3664 designated as an aviation area on an airport layout plan 3665 approved by the Federal Aviation Administration. For purposes of 3666 determination of "ownership," buildings and other real property 3667 improvements which will revert to the airport authority or other 3668 governmental unit upon expiration of the term of the lease shall Page 131 of 151

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3669 be deemed "owned" by the governmental unit and not the lessee. 3670 Providing two-way telecommunications services to the public for 3671 hire by the use of a telecommunications facility, as defined in 3672 s. 364.02(15), and for which a certificate is required under 3673 chapter 364 does not constitute an exempt use for purposes of s. 3674 196.199, unless the telecommunications services are provided by 3675 the operator of a public-use airport, as defined in s. 332.004, 3676 for the operator's provision of telecommunications services for 3677 the airport or its tenants, concessionaires, or licensees, or 3678 unless the telecommunications services are provided by a public 3679 hospital. 3680 Section 26. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph 3681 (b) of subsection (2) of section 202.18, Florida Statutes, are 3682 amended to read: 3683 202.18 Allocation and disposition of tax proceeds.--The 3684 proceeds of the communications services taxes remitted under 3685 this chapter shall be treated as follows: 3686 The proceeds of the taxes remitted under s. (1)3687 202.12(1)(a) shall be divided as follows: 3688 The remaining portion shall be distributed according (b) 3689 to s. 212.20(5)(6). 3690 The proceeds of the taxes remitted under s. (2) 3691 202.12(1)(b) shall be divided as follows: 3692 Sixty-three percent of the remainder shall be (b) 3693 allocated to the state and distributed pursuant to s. 3694 212.20(5) (6), except that the proceeds allocated pursuant to s. 3695 212.20(5) (d)2. shall be prorated to the participating 3696 counties in the same proportion as that month's collection of Page 132 of 151

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3697 the taxes and fees imposed pursuant to chapter 212 and paragraph 3698 (1)(b).

3699 Section 27. Paragraphs (f), (g), (h), and (i) of 3700 subsection (1) of section 203.01, Florida Statutes, are amended 3701 to read:

3702 203.01 Tax on gross receipts for utility and 3703 communications services.--

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3705 (f) Any person who imports into this state electricity, 3706 natural gas, or manufactured gas, or severs natural gas, for 3707 that person's own use or consumption as a substitute for 3708 purchasing utility, transportation, or delivery services taxable 3709 under this chapter and who cannot demonstrate payment of the tax 3710 imposed by this chapter must register with the Department of 3711 Revenue and pay into the State Treasury each month an amount 3712 equal to the cost price of such electricity, natural gas, or 3713 manufactured gas times the rate set forth in paragraph (b), 3714 reduced by the amount of any like tax lawfully imposed on and 3715 paid by the person from whom the electricity, natural gas, or manufactured gas was purchased or any person who provided 3716 3717 delivery service or transportation service in connection with 3718 the electricity, natural gas, or manufactured gas. For purposes 3719 of this paragraph, the term "cost price" has the meaning 3720 ascribed in s. 212.02(4). The methods of demonstrating proof of 3721 payment and the amount of such reductions in tax shall be made 3722 according to rules of the Department of Revenue.

3723 (g) Electricity produced by cogeneration or by small power3724 producers which is transmitted and distributed by a public

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3725 utility between two locations of a customer of the utility 3726 pursuant to s. 366.051 is subject to the tax imposed by this 3727 section. The tax shall be applied to the cost price of such 3728 electricity as provided in s. 212.02-(4) and shall be paid each 3729 month by the producer of such electricity.

3730 Electricity produced by cogeneration or by small power (h) 3731 producers during the 12-month period ending June 30 of each year 3732 which is in excess of nontaxable electricity produced during the 3733 12-month period ending June 30, 1990, is subject to the tax 3734 imposed by this section. The tax shall be applied to the cost 3735 price of such electricity as provided in s. 212.02(4) and shall 3736 be paid each month, beginning with the month in which total production exceeds the production of nontaxable electricity for 3737 3738 the 12-month period ending June 30, 1990. For purposes of this paragraph, "nontaxable electricity" means electricity produced 3739 3740 by cogeneration or by small power producers which is not subject 3741 to tax under paragraph (g). Taxes paid pursuant to paragraph (g) 3742 may be credited against taxes due under this paragraph. 3743 Electricity generated as part of an industrial manufacturing 3744 process which manufactures products from phosphate rock, raw 3745 wood fiber, paper, citrus, or any agricultural product shall not 3746 be subject to the tax imposed by this paragraph. "Industrial 3747 manufacturing process" means the entire process conducted at the 3748 location where the process takes place.

(i) Any person other than a cogenerator or small power producer described in paragraph (h) who produces for his or her own use electrical energy which is a substitute for electrical energy produced by an electric utility as defined in s. 366.02

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3753 is subject to the tax imposed by this section. The tax shall be 3754 applied to the cost price of such electrical energy as provided 3755 in s. 212.02(4) and shall be paid each month. The provisions of 3756 this paragraph do not apply to any electrical energy produced 3757 and used by an electric utility.

3758 Section 28. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 3759 212.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

3760 212.031 Tax on rental or license fee for use of real 3761 property.--

3762 It is declared to be the legislative intent that (1)(a) 3763 every person is exercising a taxable privilege who engages in 3764 the business of renting, leasing, letting, or granting a license 3765 for the use of any real property unless such property is:

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Assessed as agricultural property under s. 193.461.

2. Used exclusively as dwelling units.

3768 3. Property subject to tax on parking, docking, or storage 3769 spaces under s. 212.03(6).

3770 Recreational property or the common elements of a 4. 3771 condominium when subject to a lease between the developer or owner thereof and the condominium association in its own right 3772 3773 or as agent for the owners of individual condominium units or 3774 the owners of individual condominium units. However, only the 3775 lease payments on such property shall be exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter, and any other use made by the owner or 3776 3777 the condominium association shall be fully taxable under this 3778 chapter.

A public or private street or right-of-way and poles, 3779 5. 3780 conduits, fixtures, and similar improvements located on such

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3781 streets or rights-of-way, occupied or used by a utility or 3782 provider of communications services, as defined by s. 202.11, 3783 for utility or communications or television purposes. For 3784 purposes of this subparagraph, the term "utility" means any 3785 person providing utility services as defined in s. 203.012. This 3786 exception also applies to property, wherever located, on which 3787 the following are placed: towers, antennas, cables, accessory 3788 structures, or equipment, not including switching equipment, 3789 used in the provision of mobile communications services as 3790 defined in s. 202.11. For purposes of this chapter, towers used 3791 in the provision of mobile communications services, as defined 3792 in s. 202.11, are considered to be fixtures.

3793 6. A public street or road which is used for3794 transportation purposes.

3795 7. Property used at an airport exclusively for the purpose 3796 of aircraft landing or aircraft taxiing or property used by an 3797 airline for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or 3798 property onto or from aircraft or for fueling aircraft.

3799 8.a. Property used at a port authority, as defined in s. 3800 315.02(2), exclusively for the purpose of oceangoing vessels or 3801 tugs docking, or such vessels mooring on property used by a port 3802 authority for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or cargo onto or from such a vessel, or property used at a port 3803 3804 authority for fueling such vessels, or to the extent that the 3805 amount paid for the use of any property at the port is based on the charge for the amount of tonnage actually imported or 3806 3807 exported through the port by a tenant.

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b. The amount charged for the use of any property at the Page 136 of 151

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3809 port in excess of the amount charged for tonnage actually 3810 imported or exported shall remain subject to tax except as 3811 provided in sub-subparagraph a.

9. Property used as an integral part of the performance of qualified production services. As used in this subparagraph, the term "qualified production services" means any activity or service performed directly in connection with the production of a qualified motion picture, as defined in s. 212.06(1)(b), and includes:

3818 Photography, sound and recording, casting, location a. 3819 managing and scouting, shooting, creation of special and optical 3820 effects, animation, adaptation (language, media, electronic, or 3821 otherwise), technological modifications, computer graphics, set 3822 and stage support (such as electricians, lighting designers and 3823 operators, greensmen, prop managers and assistants, and grips), 3824 wardrobe (design, preparation, and management), hair and makeup 3825 (design, production, and application), performing (such as 3826 acting, dancing, and playing), designing and executing stunts, 3827 coaching, consulting, writing, scoring, composing, choreographing, script supervising, directing, producing, 3828 3829 transmitting dailies, dubbing, mixing, editing, cutting, 3830 looping, printing, processing, duplicating, storing, and 3831 distributing;

b. The design, planning, engineering, construction, alteration, repair, and maintenance of real or personal property including stages, sets, props, models, paintings, and facilities principally required for the performance of those services listed in sub-subparagraph a.; and

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3837 c. Property management services directly related to 3838 property used in connection with the services described in sub-3839 subparagraphs a. and b.

3841 This exemption will inure to the taxpayer upon presentation of 3842 the certificate of exemption issued to the taxpayer under the 3843 provisions of s. 288.1258.

3844 Leased, subleased, licensed, or rented to a person 10. 3845 providing food and drink concessionaire services within the 3846 premises of a convention hall, exhibition hall, auditorium, 3847 stadium, theater, arena, civic center, performing arts center, 3848 publicly owned recreational facility, or any business operated 3849 under a permit issued pursuant to chapter 550. A person 3850 providing retail concessionaire services involving the sale of 3851 food and drink or other tangible personal property within the 3852 premises of an airport shall be subject to tax on the rental of 3853 real property used for that purpose, but shall not be subject to 3854 the tax on any license to use the property. For purposes of this 3855 subparagraph, the term "sale" shall not include the leasing of tangible personal property. 3856

3857 Property occupied pursuant to an instrument calling 11. 3858 for payments which the department has declared, in a Technical 3859 Assistance Advisement issued on or before March 15, 1993, to be 3860 nontaxable pursuant to rule 12A-1.070(19)(c), Florida 3861 Administrative Code; provided that this subparagraph shall only 3862 apply to property occupied by the same person before and after 3863 the execution of the subject instrument and only to those 3864 payments made pursuant to such instrument, exclusive of renewals

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3865 and extensions thereof occurring after March 15, 1993. 3866 12. Rented, leased, subleased, or licensed to a 3867 concessionaire by a convention hall, exhibition hall, 3868 auditorium, stadium, theater, arena, civic center, performing 3869 arts center, or publicly owned recreational facility, during an 3870 event at the facility, to be used by the concessionaire to sell 3871 souvenirs, novelties, or other event-related products. This 3872 subparagraph applies only to that portion of the rental, lease, 3873 or license payment which is based on a percentage of sales and 3874 not based on a fixed price. This subparagraph is repealed July 3875 1, 2009. 3876 Property used or occupied predominantly for space 13. 3877 flight business purposes. As used in this subparagraph, "space 3878 flight business" means the manufacturing, processing, or assembly of a space facility, space propulsion system, space 3879 3880 vehicle, satellite, or station of any kind possessing the 3881 capacity for space flight, as defined by s. 212.02(23), or 3882 components thereof, and also means the following activities 3883 supporting space flight: vehicle launch activities, flight 3884 operations, ground control or ground support, and all 3885 administrative activities directly related thereto. Property 3886 shall be deemed to be used or occupied predominantly for space 3887 flight business purposes if more than 50 percent of the 3888 property, or improvements thereon, is used for one or more space 3889 flight business purposes. Possession by a landlord, lessor, or 3890 licensor of a signed written statement from the tenant, lessee, 3891 or licensee claiming the exemption shall relieve the landlord, 3892 lessor, or licensor from the responsibility of collecting the

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3893 tax, and the department shall look solely to the tenant, lessee, 3894 or licensee for recovery of such tax if it determines that the 3895 exemption was not applicable.

3896 Section 29. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 3897 212.052, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

212.052 Research or development costs; exemption.--

3899 (1) For the purposes of the exemption provided in this 3900 section:

3901 (b) The term "costs" means cost price as defined in s. 3902 212.02(4).

3903 Section 30. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2), paragraph (c) 3904 of subsection (3), and paragraphs (c) and (i) of subsection (8) 3905 of section 212.055, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

3906 212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative intent; 3907 authorization and use of proceeds. -- It is the legislative intent 3908 that any authorization for imposition of a discretionary sales 3909 surtax shall be published in the Florida Statutes as a 3910 subsection of this section, irrespective of the duration of the 3911 levy. Each enactment shall specify the types of counties 3912 authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be imposed; the 3913 maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed, if any; the 3914 procedure which must be followed to secure voter approval, if 3915 required; the purpose for which the proceeds may be expended; 3916 and such other requirements as the Legislature may provide. 3917 Taxable transactions and administrative procedures shall be as 3918 provided in s. 212.054.

3919 3920 (2) LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE SURTAX.- (c) Pursuant to s. 212.054-(4), the proceeds of the surtax
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3921 levied under this subsection shall be distributed to the county 3922 and the municipalities within such county in which the surtax 3923 was collected, according to:

1. An interlocal agreement between the county governing authority and the governing bodies of the municipalities representing a majority of the county's municipal population, which agreement may include a school district with the consent of the county governing authority and the governing bodies of the municipalities representing a majority of the county's municipal population; or

3931 2. If there is no interlocal agreement, according to the 3932 formula provided in s. 218.62.

Any change in the distribution formula must take effect on the first day of any month that begins at least 60 days after written notification of that change has been made to the department.

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(3) SMALL COUNTY SURTAX.--

(c) Pursuant to s. 212.054(4), the proceeds of the surtax levied under this subsection shall be distributed to the county and the municipalities within the county in which the surtax was collected, according to:

3943 1. An interlocal agreement between the county governing 3944 authority and the governing bodies of the municipalities 3945 representing a majority of the county's municipal population, 3946 which agreement may include a school district with the consent 3947 of the county governing authority and the governing bodies of 3948 the municipalities representing a majority of the county's

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3949 municipal population; or

3950 2. If there is no interlocal agreement, according to the 3951 formula provided in s. 218.62.

3953 Any change in the distribution formula shall take effect on the 3954 first day of any month that begins at least 60 days after 3955 written notification of that change has been made to the 3956 department.

3957 (8) EMERGENCY FIRE RESCUE SERVICES AND FACILITIES3958 SURTAX.--

3959 Pursuant to s. 212.054(4), the proceeds of the (C) 3960 discretionary sales surtax collected under this subsection, less 3961 an administrative fee that may be retained by the Department of Revenue, shall be distributed by the department to the county. 3962 3963 The county shall distribute the proceeds it receives from the 3964 department to the participating jurisdictions that have entered 3965 into an interlocal agreement with the county under this 3966 subsection. The county may also charge an administrative fee for 3967 receiving and distributing the surtax in the amount of the 3968 actual costs incurred, not to exceed 2 percent of the surtax 3969 collected.

(i) Surtax collections shall be initiated on January 1 of the year following a successful referendum in order to coincide with s. 212.054(5).

3973 Section 31. Subsection (3) of section 212.13, Florida 3974 Statutes, is amended to read:

3975 212.13 Records required to be kept; power to inspect; 3976 audit procedure.--

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3977 For the purpose of enforcement of this chapter, every (3)3978 manufacturer and seller of tangible personal property or 3979 services licensed within this state is required to permit the 3980 department to examine his or her books and records at all 3981 reasonable hours, and, upon his or her refusal, the department 3982 may require him or her to permit such examination by resort to 3983 the circuit courts of this state, subject however to the right 3984 of removal of the cause to the judicial circuit wherein such person's business is located or wherein such person's books and 3985 3986 records are kept, provided further that such person's books and 3987 records are kept within the state. When the dealer has made an 3988 allocation or attribution pursuant to the definition of sales 3989 price in s. 212.02(16), the department may prescribe by rule the 3990 books and records that must be made available during an audit of 3991 the dealer's books and records and examples of methods for 3992 determining the reasonableness thereof. Books and records kept 3993 in the regular course of business include, but are not limited 3994 to, general ledgers, price lists, cost records, customer 3995 billings, billing system reports, tariffs, and other regulatory 3996 filings and rules of regulatory authorities. Such record may be 3997 required to be made available to the department in an electronic 3998 format when so kept by the dealer. The dealer may support the 3999 allocation of charges with books and records kept in the regular 4000 course of business covering the dealer's entire service area, 4001 including territories outside this state. During an audit, the 4002 department may reasonably require production of any additional 4003 books and records found necessary to assist in its 4004 determination.

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4005 Section 32. Subsection (1) of section 212.15, Florida 4006 Statutes, is amended to read:

4007 212.15 Taxes declared state funds; penalties for failure 4008 to remit taxes; due and delinquent dates; judicial review.--

(1) The taxes imposed by this chapter shall, except as provided in s. 212.06(5)(a)2.e., become state funds at the moment of collection and shall for each month be due to the department on the first day of the succeeding month and be delinquent on the 21st day of such month. All returns postmarked after the 20th day of such month are delinquent.

4015 Section 33. Subsection (3) of section 213.015, Florida 4016 Statutes, is amended to read:

4017 Taxpayer rights. -- There is created a Florida 213.015 Taxpayer's Bill of Rights to guarantee that the rights, privacy, 4018 4019 and property of Florida taxpayers are adequately safeguarded and 4020 protected during tax assessment, collection, and enforcement 4021 processes administered under the revenue laws of this state. The 4022 Taxpayer's Bill of Rights compiles, in one document, brief but 4023 comprehensive statements which explain, in simple, nontechnical 4024 terms, the rights and obligations of the Department of Revenue 4025 and taxpayers. Section 192.0105 provides additional rights 4026 afforded to payors of property taxes and assessments. The rights 4027 afforded taxpayers to ensure that their privacy and property are 4028 safeguarded and protected during tax assessment and collection 4029 are available only insofar as they are implemented in other parts of the Florida Statutes or rules of the Department of 4030 4031 Revenue. The rights so guaranteed Florida taxpayers in the 4032 Florida Statutes and the departmental rules are:

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4033 The right to be represented or advised by counsel or (3)4034 other qualified representatives at any time in administrative 4035 interactions with the department, the right to procedural 4036 safequards with respect to recording of interviews during tax 4037 determination or collection processes conducted by the 4038 department, the right to be treated in a professional manner by 4039 department personnel, and the right to have audits, inspections 4040 of records, and interviews conducted at a reasonable time and 4041 place except in criminal and internal investigations (see ss. 4042 198.06, 199.218, 201.11(1), 203.02, 206.14, 211.125(3), 4043 211.33(3), 212.0305(3), 212.12(5)(a), (6)(a), and (11) (13), 4044 212.13(5), 213.05, 213.21(1)(a) and (c), and 213.34).

4045 Section 34. Subsection (3) of section 218.245, Florida 4046 Statutes, is amended to read:

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218.245 Revenue sharing; apportionment.--

4048 (3) Revenues attributed to the increase in distribution to 4049 the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Municipalities pursuant to s. 4050 212.20(5)(6)(d)5. from 1.0715 percent to 1.3409 percent provided 4051 in chapter 2003-402, Laws of Florida, shall be distributed to 4052 each eligible municipality and any unit of local government that 4053 is consolidated as provided by s. 9, Art. VIII of the State 4054 Constitution of 1885, as preserved by s. 6(e), Art. VIII, 1968 4055 revised constitution, as follows: each eligible local 4056 government's allocation shall be based on the amount it received from the half-cent sales tax under s. 218.61 in the prior state 4057 4058 fiscal year divided by the total receipts under s. 218.61 in the 4059 prior state fiscal year for all eligible local governments. 4060 However, for the purpose of calculating this distribution, the

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4061 amount received from the half-cent sales tax under s. 218.61 in 4062 the prior state fiscal year by a unit of local government which 4063 is consolidated as provided by s. 9, Art. VIII of the State 4064 Constitution of 1885, as amended, and as preserved by s. 6(e), 4065 Art. VIII, of the Constitution as revised in 1968, shall be 4066 reduced by 50 percent for such local government and for the 4067 total receipts. For eligible municipalities that began 4068 participating in the allocation of half-cent sales tax under s. 4069 218.61 in the previous state fiscal year, their annual receipts 4070 shall be calculated by dividing their actual receipts by the 4071 number of months they participated, and the result multiplied by 4072 12.

4073Section 35.Subsections (5), (6), and (7) of section4074218.65, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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218.65 Emergency distribution. --

4076 (5) At the beginning of each fiscal year, the Department 4077 of Revenue shall calculate a base allocation for each eligible 4078 county equal to the difference between the current per capita 4079 limitation times the county's population, minus prior year 4080 ordinary distributions to the county pursuant to ss. 4081 212.20(5)(6)(d)2., 218.61, and 218.62. If moneys deposited into 4082 the Local Government Half-cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund 4083 pursuant to s. 212.20(5)(6)(d)3., excluding moneys appropriated 4084 for supplemental distributions pursuant to subsection (8), for 4085 the current year are less than or equal to the sum of the base allocations, each eligible county shall receive a share of the 4086 4087 appropriated amount proportional to its base allocation. If the 4088 deposited amount exceeds the sum of the base allocations, each

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4089 county shall receive its base allocation, and the excess 4090 appropriated amount, less any amounts distributed under 4091 subsection (6), shall be distributed equally on a per capita 4092 basis among the eligible counties.

4093 If moneys deposited in the Local Government Half-cent (6) 4094 Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund pursuant to s. 212.20(5)(-6)(d)3. 4095 exceed the amount necessary to provide the base allocation to 4096 each eligible county, the moneys in the trust fund may be used 4097 to provide a transitional distribution, as specified in this 4098 subsection, to certain counties whose population has increased. 4099 The transitional distribution shall be made available to each 4100 county that qualified for a distribution under subsection (2) in 4101 the prior year but does not, because of the requirements of 4102 paragraph (2)(a), qualify for a distribution in the current 4103 year. Beginning on July 1 of the year following the year in 4104 which the county no longer qualifies for a distribution under 4105 subsection (2), the county shall receive two-thirds of the 4106 amount received in the prior year, and beginning July 1 of the 4107 second year following the year in which the county no longer 4108 qualifies for a distribution under subsection (2), the county 4109 shall receive one-third of the amount it received in the last 4110 year it qualified for the distribution under subsection (2). If 4111 insufficient moneys are available in the Local Government Half-4112 cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund to fully provide such a transitional distribution to each county that meets the 4113 eligibility criteria in this section, each eligible county shall 4114 4115 receive a share of the available moneys proportional to the amount it would have received had moneys been sufficient to 4116

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4117 fully provide such a transitional distribution to each eligible
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(7) There is hereby annually appropriated from the Local Government Half-cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund the distribution provided in s. 212.20(5)(6)(d)3. to be used for emergency and supplemental distributions pursuant to this section.

4124 Section 36. Paragraph (s) of subsection (1) of section 4125 288.1045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

4126 288.1045 Qualified defense contractor and space flight4127 business tax refund program.--

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(1) DEFINITIONS.--As used in this section:

"Space flight business" means the manufacturing, 4129 (s) 4130 processing, or assembly of space flight technology products, 4131 space flight facilities, space flight propulsion systems, or 4132 space vehicles, satellites, or stations of any kind possessing 4133 the capability for space flight, as defined by s. 212.02(23), or 4134 components thereof, and includes, in supporting space flight, 4135 vehicle launch activities, flight operations, ground control or ground support, and all administrative activities directly 4136 4137 related to such activities. The term does not include products 4138 that are designed or manufactured for general commercial 4139 aviation or other uses even if those products may also serve an 4140 incidental use in space flight applications.

4141 Section 37. Subsection (6) of section 288.1169, Florida 4142 Statutes, is amended to read:

4143 288.1169 International Game Fish Association World Center 4144 facility.--

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4145 The Department of Commerce must recertify every 10 (6) 4146 years that the facility is open, that the International Game 4147 Fish Association World Center continues to be the only 4148 international administrative headquarters, fishing museum, and 4149 Hall of Fame in the United States recognized by the 4150 International Game Fish Association, and that the project is 4151 meeting the minimum projections for attendance or sales tax 4152 revenues as required at the time of original certification. If 4153 the facility is not recertified during this 10-year review as 4154 meeting the minimum projections, then funding shall be abated 4155 until certification criteria are met. If the project fails to 4156 generate \$1 million of annual revenues pursuant to paragraph 4157 (2) (e), the distribution of revenues pursuant to s. 212.20(5)(d)6.d. s. 212.02(6)(d)6.d. shall be reduced to an 4158 4159 amount equal to \$83,333 multiplied by a fraction, the numerator 4160 of which is the actual revenues generated and the denominator of 4161 which is \$1 million. Such reduction remains in effect until 4162 revenues generated by the project in a 12-month period equal or 4163 exceed \$1 million.

4164 Section 38. Subsection (8) of section 551.102, Florida 4165 Statutes, is amended to read:

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551.102 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the term: 4167 "Slot machine" means any mechanical or electrical (8) 4168 contrivance, terminal that may or may not be capable of 4169 downloading slot games from a central server system, machine, or other device that, upon insertion of a coin, bill, ticket, 4170 4171 token, or similar object or upon payment of any consideration 4172 whatsoever, including the use of any electronic payment system

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4173 except a credit card or debit card, is available to play or 4174 operate, the play or operation of which, whether by reason of 4175 skill or application of the element of chance or both, may 4176 deliver or entitle the person or persons playing or operating 4177 the contrivance, terminal, machine, or other device to receive 4178 cash, billets, tickets, tokens, or electronic credits to be 4179 exchanged for cash or to receive merchandise or anything of 4180 value whatsoever, whether the payoff is made automatically from 4181 the machine or manually. The term includes associated equipment 4182 necessary to conduct the operation of the contrivance, terminal, 4183 machine, or other device. Slot machines may use spinning reels, 4184 video displays, or both. A slot machine is not a "coin-operated amusement machine" as defined in s. 212.02(24) or an amusement 4185 4186 game or machine as described in s. 849.161, and slot machines 4187 are not subject to the tax imposed by s. 212.05(1)(h).

4188 Section 39. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 4189 790.0655, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

4190 790.0655 Purchase and delivery of handguns; mandatory 4191 waiting period; exceptions; penalties.--

4192 There shall be a mandatory 3-day waiting period, (1) (a) 4193 which shall be 3 days, excluding weekends and legal holidays, 4194 between the purchase and the delivery at retail of any handgun. 4195 "Purchase" means the transfer of money or other valuable 4196 consideration to the retailer. "Handgun" means a firearm capable 4197 of being carried and used by one hand, such as a pistol or 4198 revolver. "Retailer" means and includes every person engaged in 4199 the business of making sales at retail or for distribution, or 4200 use, or consumption, or storage to be used or consumed in this

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4201	state, as defined	in s. 212.02 (13) .	
4202	Section 40.	Section 212.0596, Florida Statutes, is	
4203	repealed.		
4204	Section 41.	This act shall take effect January 1, 2011.	

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