1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to taxation; amending s. 125.0167,
3	F.S.; prohibiting counties from imposing requirements
4	on borrowers other than requiring proof of the
5	borrower's income; providing that borrowers are
6	subject to loan qualifications of lenders licensed to
7	provide mortgage financing; prohibiting counties from
8	creating requirements that restrict participation by
9	eligible borrowers; creating s. 193.4613, F.S.;
10	defining terms; providing for the assessment of land
11	used in the production of aquaculture to be based
12	solely on its agricultural use; providing assessment
13	methodology; requiring property to be assessed for a
14	certain period of time using a specified assessment
15	methodology; authorizing the property appraiser to
16	require audited financial statements; providing
17	applicability; amending s. 194.032, F.S.; conforming
18	provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
19	196.031, F.S.; providing that real property includes
20	certain portions; providing construction; amending s.
21	196.173, F.S.; revising the military operations that
22	qualify certain servicemembers for an additional ad
23	valorem tax exemption; providing applicability;
24	revising the deadlines for applying for additional ad
25	valorem tax exemptions for certain servicemembers for

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26 a specified tax roll; authorizing a property appraiser 27 to grant a tax exemption for an untimely filed 28 application if certain conditions are met; providing 29 procedures for an applicant to file a petition with the value adjustment board if an application is 30 denied; providing applicability; amending s. 196.1978, 31 32 F.S.; revising the events that initiate the 15-year 33 period for certain property to qualify for the 34 affordable housing ad valorem tax exemption; providing applicability; amending s. 196.202, F.S.; increasing 35 36 the property tax exemption for residents who are 37 widows, widowers, blind persons, or totally and 38 permanently disabled persons; providing applicability; 39 creating s. 197.319, F.S.; defining terms; specifying conditions under which persons whose residential 40 41 improvements are rendered uninhabitable may receive a 42 refund of taxes originally levied and paid; specifying 43 a formula for determining the amount of the tax 44 refund; providing directives to property appraisers in issuing written statements to the tax collector when 45 46 granting refunds; providing directives to tax 47 collectors in calculating damage differentials and 48 processing refunds; providing a mechanism for persons 49 to file late applications for a refund of taxes; requiring tax collectors to provide specified 50

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51 information to the Department of Revenue and the 52 governing boards of each affected local government 53 annually; providing applicability; creating s. 54 197.3195, F.S.; defining the term "residential improvement"; providing for an abatement of ad valorem 55 56 taxes and non-ad valorem assessments for certain 57 residential improvements destroyed due to a sudden and 58 unforeseen collapse; requiring property appraisers to 59 provide specified statements to tax collectors; providing that owners of parcels meeting certain 60 61 requirements are not required to remit payments; 62 prohibiting property appraisers and tax collectors 63 from issuing specified notices for parcels meeting 64 certain requirements; requiring property appraisers to notify taxpayers of the abatement of taxes and non-ad 65 66 valorem assessments under certain circumstances; 67 requiring value adjustment boards to dismiss petitions 68 under certain circumstances; specifying requirements 69 for determining the assessed value of certain new 70 homesteads; providing for a refund of taxes for 71 parcels meeting certain requirements under certain 72 circumstances; providing applicability; providing for 73 future repeal; providing for retroactive application; 74 amending s. 201.25, F.S.; exempting certain federal 75 loans from documentary stamp taxes; amending s.

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76 212.04, F.S.; exempting certain soccer matches held as 77 part of a Fédération Internationale de Football 78 Association World Cup from the sales tax on 79 admissions; exempting certain Formula One Grand Prix race admissions from the sales tax on admissions; 80 81 exempting certain Daytona 500 race admissions from the 82 sales tax on admissions; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; 83 specifying the sales tax rate on new mobile homes; 84 defining the term "new mobile home"; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; authorizing school capital outlay 85 86 surtax proceeds to be used for the purchase, lease-87 purchase, lease, and maintenance of certain school 88 buses; requiring such use of school capital outlay 89 surtax proceeds to be approved by referendum; amending 90 s. 212.08, F.S.; revising an exemption from sales and 91 use tax to include the sale of any trailer purchased 92 by a farmer for certain uses; exempting from sales and 93 use tax the sale of certain wire and fencing used in 94 agricultural production; exempting from sales and use 95 tax the sale of certain machinery and equipment that 96 produce electric or steam energy from burning 97 hydrogen; revising the total amount of community 98 contribution tax credits which may be granted; 99 defining the terms "green hydrogen" and "primarily 100 used"; exempting from sales and use tax certain

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101 machinery and equipment involving green hydrogen, 102 certain types of ammonia, and certain electrochemical 103 reactions of green hydrogen and oxygen; providing 104 quidelines for purchasers to use in obtaining an 105 exemption; providing penalties; authorizing the 106 department to adopt rules; amending s. 213.053, F.S.; 107 authorizing the Department of Revenue to make certain 108 information available to the Department of 109 Transportation to administer the credit for qualified railroad reconstruction or replacement expenditures; 110 111 amending s. 220.02, F.S.; specifying the method for 112 applying certain railroad reconstruction or 113 replacement expenditure credits against the corporate 114 income tax or franchise tax; amending s. 220.03, F.S.; 115 adopting the Internal Revenue Code in effect on 116 January 1, 2022; providing an effective date; 117 providing for retroactive operation; amending s. 118 220.13, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "adjusted federal income" to adjust for certain 119 120 railroad reconstruction or replacement expenditure 121 credits; amending s. 220.183, F.S.; revising the total 122 amount of community contribution tax credits that may 123 be granted; amending s. 220.1876, F.S.; revising 124 backward by 1 year the taxable years for which the New 125 Worlds Reading Initiative tax credits are authorized;

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126 amending s. 220.1877, F.S.; revising backward by 1 year the taxable years for which credits for 127 128 contributions to eligible charitable organizations are 129 authorized; creating s. 220.1915, F.S.; defining the 130 terms "qualified expenditures" and "qualifying railroad"; providing a specified tax credit for 131 132 qualifying railroads against the corporate income tax 133 if specified criteria are met; providing procedures 134 for receiving such tax credit; authorizing the carryforward and transfer of such tax credit; 135 136 providing procedures for the transfer of such tax 137 credits; providing for the recovery of tax 138 deficiencies related to the credit; authorizing the 139 department to adopt rules; amending s. 402.62, F.S.; 140 increasing the Strong Families tax credit cap; 141 amending s. 624.5105, F.S.; revising the total amount 142 of community contribution tax credits which may be 143 granted; amending s. 624.51056, F.S.; revising 144 backward by 1 year the taxable years for which the New 145 Worlds Reading Initiative tax credits are authorized; 146 amending s. 624.51057, F.S.; revising backward by 1 147 year the taxable years for which Strong Families tax 148 credits for contributions to eligible charitable 149 organizations are authorized; amending s. 1003.485, F.S.; increasing the allowable carryforward of unused 150

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151 eligible contributions from one state fiscal year to 152 the next for the New Worlds Reading Initiative; 153 increasing the New Worlds Reading Initiative tax 154 credit cap beginning in fiscal year 2023-2024; 155 amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; increasing the amount of 156 revenue from district school taxes a school district 157 may expend per unweighted full-time equivalent student 158 for specified expenses; providing legislative intent; 159 providing for a retroactive refund of certain taxes 160 paid; specifying the treatment of specified 161 contributions under the Strong Families tax credit 162 program and the New Worlds Reading Initiative tax 163 credit program for a specified taxable year; providing 164 directives for receiving a refund of previously paid 165 taxes; prohibiting such refund from exceeding a 166 specified amount; providing a carryforward period; 167 prohibiting refund payments after a specified date; 168 authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules 169 related to the Strong Families tax credit program and 170 the New Worlds Reading Initiative tax credit program; 171 providing for retroactive operation; exempting from sales and use tax the retail sale of certain clothing, 172 173 wallets, bags, school supplies, learning aids and 174 jigsaw puzzles, and personal computers and personal 175 computer-related accessories during a specified

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176 timeframe; defining terms; specifying locations where 177 the tax exemptions do not apply; authorizing certain 178 dealers to opt out of participating in the tax 179 holiday, subject to certain requirements; authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules; exempting 180 181 from sales and use tax specified disaster preparedness 182 supplies during a specified timeframe; defining terms; 183 specifying locations where the tax exemptions do not 184 apply; authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules; exempting from sales and use tax admissions to 185 186 certain events, performances, and facilities, certain season tickets, and the retail sale of certain boating 187 and water activity, camping, fishing, general outdoor, 188 189 and residential pool supplies and sporting equipment 190 during specified timeframes; defining terms; 191 specifying locations where the tax exemptions do not 192 apply; authorizing the department to adopt emergency 193 rules; exempting from the sales and use tax the retail 194 sale of tools used by skilled trade workers during a 195 specified timeframe; specifying locations where the 196 tax exemptions do not apply; authorizing the 197 department to adopt emergency rules; providing for a 198 reduction in certain fuel taxes during a specified 199 timeframe; providing a short title; providing dealer requirements; providing legislative intent; 200

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201 authorizing motor fuel dealers to manage motor fuel 202 inventory to maximize tax reduction benefits; 203 providing criteria; providing for a reduction in 204 certain refunds during the same timeframe; authorizing 205 the executive director of the Department of Revenue to 206 adopt emergency rules for certain purposes; making 207 unlawful certain activities of certain entities 208 relating to the tax reduction; authorizing specified 209 transfers from the General Revenue Fund; providing for 210 expiration; exempting from sales and use tax the 211 retail sale of children's books during a specified 212 timeframe; defining the term "children's books"; 213 exempting from sales and use tax the retail sale of 214 new ENERGY STAR appliances during a specified 215 timeframe; defining the term "ENERGY STAR appliance"; 216 exempting from sales and use tax the retail sale of 217 children's diapers during a specified timeframe; 218 exempting from sales and use tax the retail sale of 219 baby and toddler clothing, apparel, and shoes during a 220 specified timeframe; exempting from sales and use tax 221 the retail sale of impact-resistant windows, impact-222 resistant doors, and impact-resistant garage doors 223 during a specified timeframe; authorizing the 224 department to adopt emergency rules; reenacting s. 225 377.809(4)(a), F.S., relating to the Energy Economic

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226 Zone Pilot Program, to incorporate the amendment made 227 to s. 212.08, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing 228 effective dates. 229 230 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 231 232 Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 125.0167, Florida 233 Statutes, is amended to read: 234 125.0167 Discretionary surtax on documents; adoption; 235 application of revenue.-236 (5)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (3), 237 of the discretionary surtax revenues collected by the Department 238 of Revenue remaining after any deduction for administrative 239 costs as provided in subsection (4), no less than 35 percent 240 shall be used to provide homeownership assistance for low-income 241 and moderate-income families, and no less than 35 percent shall 242 be used for construction, rehabilitation, and purchase of rental 243 housing units. The remaining amount may be allocated to provide 244 for homeownership assistance or rental housing units, at the 245 discretion of the county. Any funds allocated for homeownership 246 assistance or rental housing units that are not committed at the 247 end of the fiscal year shall be reallocated in subsequent years 248 consistent with the provisions of this subsection, in that no 249 less than 35 percent shall be reallocated to provide homeownership assistance for low-income and moderate-income 250

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families, and no less than 35 percent shall be reallocated for construction, rehabilitation, and purchase of rental housing units. The remaining amount of uncommitted funds may be reallocated at the discretion of the county within any of the categories established in this subsection.

256 (b) For purposes of this subsection, the term 257 "homeownership assistance" means assisting low-income and moderate-income families in purchasing a home as their primary 258 259 residence, including, but not limited to, reducing the cost of 260 the home with below-market construction financing, the amount of 261 down payment and closing costs paid by the borrower, or the 262 mortgage payment to an affordable amount for the purchaser or 263 using any other financial assistance measure set forth in s. 264 420.5088.

(c) A county may not impose any requirement as a condition 265 266 to receiving any financial assistance on a borrower other than 267 requiring proof that the borrower's income does not exceed 140 268 percent of the area median income. In addition to the income 269 eligibility requirement, borrowers may only be subject to loan 270 qualifications of lenders licensed to provide mortgage financing as to the amount of the loan. A county may not create 271 requirements that restrict participation by eligible borrowers. 272 273 Section 2. Effective January 1, 2023, section 193.4613, 274 Florida Statutes, is created to read: 275 193.4613 Agricultural lands used in production of

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276	aquaculture; assessment
277	(1) For purposes of this section, the terms "aquaculture"
278	and "aquaculture products" have the same meanings as in s.
279	<u>597.0015.</u>
280	(2)(a) When proper application for agricultural assessment
281	has been made and granted pursuant to s. 193.461, and the
282	property owner requests assessment pursuant to this section, the
283	assessment of land used in the production of aquaculture
284	products shall be based solely on its agricultural use,
285	consistent with the use factors specified in s. 193.461(6)(a),
286	and assessed pursuant to paragraph (c).
287	(b) Notwithstanding any provision relating to annual
288	assessments found in s. 192.042, the property appraiser shall
289	rely on 5-year moving average data when utilizing the income
290	methodology approach in an assessment of property used for
291	agricultural purposes.
292	(c) For purposes of the income methodology approach to the
293	assessment of land used in the production of aquaculture
294	products, structures and equipment located on the property used
295	for producing aquaculture products are considered a part of the
296	average yield per acre and have no separately assessable
297	contributory value.
298	(d) If a request for assessment under this section is
299	granted, the property must be assessed as provided in this
300	section for 10 years unless the ownership or use of the property
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301 changes. The property appraiser may not require annual 302 application. The property appraiser may require the property 303 owner to annually submit audited financial statements. 304 (e) In years in which proper application for agricultural 305 assessment has not been made, the land shall be assessed under the provisions of s. 193.011. 306 307 Section 3. Section 193.4613, Florida Statutes, as created by this act, first applies to the 2023 ad valorem tax roll and 308 309 applies to assessments made on or after January 1, 2023. Section 4. Effective upon this act becoming a law, 310 311 paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 194.032, Florida 312 Statutes, is amended to read: 194.032 Hearing purposes; timetable.-313 314 (1)315 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), the (b) 316 value adjustment board may meet prior to the approval of the 317 assessment rolls by the Department of Revenue, but not earlier 318 than July 1, to hear appeals pertaining to the denial by the 319 property appraiser of exemptions, tax abatements under s. 320 197.318 and s. 197.3195, tax refunds under s. 197.319, 321 agricultural and high-water recharge classifications, 322 classifications as historic property used for commercial or certain nonprofit purposes, and deferrals under subparagraphs 323 324 (a)2., 3., and 4. In such event, however, the board may not 325 certify any assessments under s. 193.122 until the Department of

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326 Revenue has approved the assessments in accordance with s. 327 193.1142 and all hearings have been held with respect to the 328 particular parcel under appeal. 329 Section 5. Subsections (5), (6), and (7) of section 330 196.031, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (6), 331 (7), and (8), respectively, and a new subsection (5) is added to 332 that section to read: 333 196.031 Exemption of homesteads.-334 (5) For the purpose of applying the exemptions in this 335 section, the real property includes portions of the real 336 property and contiguous real property assessed solely on the 337 basis of character or use pursuant to s. 193.461 or s. 193.501, 338 or assessed pursuant to s. 193.505. 339 Section 6. The amendments made by this act to s. 196.031, 340 Florida Statutes, are intended to be remedial and clarifying in 341 nature and apply retroactively, but do not provide a basis for 342 an assessment of any tax or create a right to a refund of any 343 tax paid before the effective date of this act. The amendments 344 do not affect the provisions set forth in s. 193.155, Florida Statutes, limiting the application of that section only to the 345 346 residence and curtilage. Section 7. Paragraphs (k) through (q) of subsection (2) of 347 348 section 196.173, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as 349 paragraphs (j) through (p), respectively, present paragraph (j) of that subsection is amended, and new paragraphs (q) and (r) 350 Page 14 of 89

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351	are added to that subsection, to read:
352	196.173 Exemption for deployed servicemembers
353	(2) The exemption is available to servicemembers who were
354	deployed during the preceding calendar year on active duty
355	outside the continental United States, Alaska, or Hawaii in
356	support of any of the following military operations:
357	(j) Operation Observant Compass, which began in October
358	<del>2011.</del>
359	(q) Operation Enduring Freedom - Horn of Africa, which
360	began in January 2015.
361	(r) European Reassurance Initiative/European Deterrence
362	Initiative, which began in 2014.
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364	The Department of Revenue shall notify all property appraisers
365	and tax collectors in this state of the designated military
366	operations.
367	Section 8. The amendments made by this act to s.
368	196.173(2), Florida Statutes, first apply to the 2022 ad valorem
369	tax roll.
370	Section 9. Application deadline for additional ad valorem
371	tax exemption for specified deployments
372	(1) Notwithstanding the filing deadline specified in s.
373	196.173(6), Florida Statutes, for the 2022 ad valorem tax roll,
374	the deadline for an applicant to file an application with the
375	property appraiser for an additional ad valorem tax exemption
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376	under s. 196.173, Florida Statutes, is June 1, 2022.
377	(2) If an application is not timely filed under subsection
378	(1), a property appraiser may grant the exemption if:
379	(a) The applicant files an application for the exemption
380	on or before the 25th day after the property appraiser mails the
381	notice required under s. 194.011(1), Florida Statutes;
382	(b) The applicant is qualified for the exemption; and
383	(c) The applicant produces sufficient evidence, as
384	determined by the property appraiser, which demonstrates that
385	the applicant was unable to apply for the exemption in a timely
386	manner or otherwise demonstrates extenuating circumstances that
387	warrant granting the exemption.
388	(3) If the property appraiser denies an application under
389	subsection (2), the applicant may file, pursuant to s.
390	194.011(3), Florida Statutes, a petition with the value
391	adjustment board which requests that the exemption be granted.
392	Such petition must be filed on or before the 25th day after the
393	property appraiser mails the notice required under s.
394	194.011(1), Florida Statutes. Notwithstanding s. 194.013,
395	Florida Statutes, the eligible servicemember is not required to
396	pay a filing fee for such petition. Upon reviewing the petition,
397	the value adjustment board may grant the exemption if the
398	applicant is qualified for the exemption and demonstrates
399	extenuating circumstances, as determined by the board, which
400	warrant granting the exemption.

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401 This section shall take effect upon this act becoming (4) 402 a law and applies to the 2022 ad valorem tax roll. 403 Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 196.1978, Florida 404 Statutes, is amended to read: 405 196.1978 Affordable housing property exemption.-406 (2) (a) Notwithstanding ss. 196.195 and 196.196, property 407 in a multifamily project that meets the requirements of this subsection paragraph is considered property used for a 408 409 charitable purpose and is exempt from ad valorem tax beginning 410 with the January 1 assessment after the 15th completed year from of the term of the earliest of: 411 412 1. The effective date of the recorded agreement on those portions of the affordable housing property that provide housing 413 414 to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, 415 very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in s. 420.0004; 416 2. The first day of the first taxable year in which the 417 property was placed in service as an affordable housing property 418 that provides housing to natural persons or families meeting the 419 extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in s. 420.0004; or 420 421 3. The date the property received a certificate of 422 occupancy or a certificate of substantial completion, as 423 applicable, allowing the property to be used as an affordable 424 housing property that provides housing to natural persons or 425 families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or

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426 low-income limits specified in s. 420.0004. 427 The multifamily project must: (b) 428 1. Contain more than 70 units that are used to provide 429 affordable housing to natural persons or families meeting the 430 extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or low-income limits 431 specified in s. 420.0004; and 432 2. Be subject to an agreement with the Florida Housing 433 Finance Corporation recorded in the official records of the 434 county in which the property is located to provide affordable 435 housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-436 low-income, very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in 437 s. 420.0004. 438 439 This exemption terminates if the property no longer serves 440 extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or low-income persons 441 pursuant to the recorded agreement. 442 (c) (b) To receive the exemption under paragraph (a), a 443 qualified applicant must submit an application to the county 444 property appraiser by March 1. 445 (d) (c) The property appraiser shall apply the exemption to 446 those portions of the affordable housing property that provide 447 housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-448 low-income, very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in 449 s. 420.0004 before certifying the tax roll to the tax collector. Section 11. The amendments made by this act to s. 450

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451	196.1978(2), Florida Statutes, first apply to the 2023 ad
452	valorem tax roll.
453	Section 12. Effective January 1, 2023, subsection (1) of
454	section 196.202, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
455	196.202 Property of widows, widowers, blind persons, and
456	persons totally and permanently disabled
457	(1) Property to the value of $\frac{55,000}{500}$ of every widow,
458	widower, blind person, or totally and permanently disabled
459	person who is a bona fide resident of this state is exempt from
460	taxation. As used in this section, the term "totally and
461	permanently disabled person" means a person who is currently
462	certified by a physician licensed in this state, by the United
463	States Department of Veterans Affairs or its predecessor, or by
464	the Social Security Administration to be totally and permanently
465	disabled.
466	Section 13. The amendment made by this act to s.
467	196.202(1), Florida Statutes, first applies to the 2023 ad
468	valorem tax roll.
469	Section 14. Effective January 1, 2023, section 197.319,
470	Florida Statutes, is created to read:
471	197.319 Refund of taxes for residential improvements
472	rendered uninhabitable by a catastrophic event
473	(1) As used in this section, the term:
474	(a) "Catastrophic event" means an event of misfortune or
475	calamity that renders one or more residential improvements

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476 uninhabitable. It does not include an event caused, directly or 477 indirectly, by the property owner with the intent to damage or 478 destroy the residential improvement. 479 (b) "Catastrophic event refund" means the product arrived 480 at by multiplying the damage differential by the amount of 481 timely paid taxes that were initially levied in the year in which the catastrophic event occurred. 482 483 (c) "Damage differential" means the product arrived at by 484 multiplying the percent change in value by a ratio, the 485 numerator of which is the number of days the residential 486 improvement was rendered uninhabitable in the year in which the 487 catastrophic event occurred, and the denominator of which is 488 365. 489 (d) "Percent change in value" means the difference between 490 a residential parcel's just value as of January 1 of the year in 491 which the catastrophic event occurred and its postcatastrophic 492 event just value expressed as a percentage of the parcel's just 493 value as of January 1 of the year in which the catastrophic 494 event occurred. 495 (e) "Postcatastrophic event just value" means the just 496 value of the residential parcel on January 1 of the year in 497 which a catastrophic event occurred, reduced to reflect the just 498 value of the residential parcel after the catastrophic event 499 that rendered the residential improvement thereon uninhabitable 500 and before any subsequent repairs. For purposes of this

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501	paragraph, a residential improvement that is uninhabitable has
502	no value attached to it. The catastrophic event refund is
503	determined only for purposes of calculating tax refunds for the
504	year or years in which the residential improvement is
505	uninhabitable as a result of the catastrophic event and does not
506	determine a parcel's just value as of January 1 each year.
507	(f) "Residential improvement" means real estate used and
508	owned as a homestead as defined in s. 196.012(13) or
509	nonhomestead residential property as defined in s. 193.1554(1).
510	A residential improvement does not include a structure that is
511	not essential to the use and occupancy of the residential
512	dwelling or house, including, but not limited to, a detached
513	utility building, detached carport, detached garage, bulkhead,
514	fence, or swimming pool, and does not include land.
515	(g) "Uninhabitable" means the loss of use and occupancy of
516	a residential improvement for the purpose for which it was
517	constructed, as evidenced by documentation, including, but not
518	limited to, utility bills, insurance information, contractors'
519	statements, building permit applications, or building inspection
520	certificates of occupancy.
521	(2) If a residential improvement is rendered uninhabitable
522	for at least 30 days due to a catastrophic event, taxes
523	originally levied and paid for the year in which the
524	catastrophic event occurred may be refunded in the following
525	manner:

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526 The property owner must file an application for refund (a) 527 with the property appraiser: 528 1. If the residential improvement is restored to a 529 habitable condition before December 1 of the year in which the 530 catastrophic event occurred, no sooner than 30 days after the 531 residential improvement that was rendered uninhabitable has been 532 restored to a habitable condition; or 2. No later than March 1 of the year immediately following 533 534 the catastrophic event. 535 536 The application for refund must be made on a form prescribed by 537 the department and furnished by the property appraiser. The 538 property appraiser may request supporting documentation be 539 submitted along with the application, including, but not limited 540 to, utility bills, insurance information, contractors' 541 statements, building permit applications, or building inspection 542 certificates of occupancy, for purposes of determining 543 conditions of uninhabitability and subsequent habitability 544 following any repairs. 545 (b) The application for refund must identify the 546 residential parcel upon which the residential improvement was 547 rendered uninhabitable by a catastrophic event, the date on 548 which the catastrophic event occurred, and the number of days 549 the residential improvement was uninhabitable during the calendar year in which the catastrophic event occurred. 550

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551 The application for refund must be verified under oath (C) 552 and is subject to penalty of perjury. 553 (d) Upon receipt of an application for refund, the 554 property appraiser must investigate the statements contained in 555 the application to determine if the applicant is entitled to a 556 refund of taxes. If the property appraiser determines that the applicant is not entitled to a refund, the applicant may file a 557 558 petition with the value adjustment board, pursuant to s. 559 194.011(3), requesting that the refund be granted. 560 (e) If the property appraiser determines that the 561 applicant is entitled to a refund, the property appraiser must 562 issue an official written statement to the tax collector within 563 30 days after the determination, but no later than by April 1 of 564 the year following the date on which the catastrophic event 565 occurred, that provides: 566 1. The just value of the residential improvement as 567 determined by the property appraiser on January 1 of the year in 568 which the catastrophic event for which the applicant is claiming 569 a refund occurred. 570 2. The number of days during the calendar year during 571 which the residential improvement was uninhabitable. 572 3. The postcatastrophic event just value of the 573 residential parcel as determined by the property appraiser. 574 4. The percent change in value applicable to the 575 residential parcel.

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576 Upon receipt of the written statement from the (3) 577 property appraiser, the tax collector shall calculate the damage 578 differential pursuant to this section and process a refund in an 579 amount equal to the catastrophic event refund. 580 (4) Any person who is qualified to have his or her 581 property taxes refunded under subsection (2) but fails to file 582 an application by March 1 of the year immediately following the 583 year in which the catastrophic event occurred may file an 584 application for refund under this subsection and may file a 585 petition with the value adjustment board, pursuant to s. 586 194.011(3), requesting that a refund under this subsection be 587 granted. Such petition may be filed at any time during the 588 taxable year on or before the 25th day following the mailing of 589 the notice of proposed property taxes and non-ad valorem 590 assessments by the property appraiser as provided in s. 591 194.011(1). Upon reviewing the petition, if the person is 592 qualified to receive the refund under this subsection and 593 demonstrates particular extenuating circumstances determined by 594 the property appraiser or the value adjustment board to warrant 595 granting a late application for refund, the property appraiser 596 or the value adjustment board may grant a refund. 597 (5) By September 1 of each year, the tax collector shall 598 notify: 599 (a) The department of the total reduction in taxes for all 600 properties that qualified for a refund pursuant to this section

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601	for the year.
602	(b) The governing board of each affected local government
603	of the reduction in such local government's taxes that occurred
604	pursuant to this section.
605	(6) This section does not affect the requirements of s.
606	<u>197.333.</u>
607	Section 15. Section 197.319, Florida Statutes, as created
608	by this act, first applies to the 2023 ad valorem tax roll.
609	Section 16. Effective upon this act becoming a law,
610	section 197.3195, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
611	197.3195 Abatement of ad valorem taxes and non-ad valorem
612	assessments following destruction caused by a sudden and
613	unforeseen collapse
614	(1) As used in this section, the term "residential
615	improvement" means a multistory residential building that
616	consists of at least 50 dwelling units.
617	(2) Each parcel owned and assessed as homestead property
618	under s. 193.155 or as nonhomestead residential property under
619	s. 193.1554 which is within a residential improvement that is
620	destroyed due to a sudden and unforeseen collapse of the
621	residential improvement or due to the subsequent demolition of
622	the residential improvement after such collapse is eligible for
623	an abatement of all taxes and non-ad valorem assessments for the
624	year in which the destruction occurred if the property appraiser
625	determines that the condition of the residential improvement on

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626	the January 1 immediately preceding the collapse was such that
627	the residential improvement had no value due to a latent defect
628	of the property not readily discernable by inspection.
629	(a) The property appraiser shall provide to the tax
630	collector an official written statement that provides the
631	information necessary for the tax collector to abate the taxes
632	and non-ad valorem assessments for each parcel owner.
633	(b) For parcels meeting the requirements of this
634	subsection, a parcel owner is not required to remit a payment,
635	the property appraiser may not issue a notice of proposed
636	property taxes pursuant to s. 200.069, and the tax collector may
637	not issue a tax notice pursuant to s. 197.322. In lieu of the
638	notice of proposed property taxes, the property appraiser must
639	notify the taxpayer that all taxes and non-ad valorem
640	assessments have been abated for the year in which the property
641	was destroyed. If a parcel owner files a petition to the value
642	adjustment board concerning the value of the parcel for the year
643	of the destruction, the value adjustment board must dismiss the
644	petition.
645	(3) For purposes of determining the assessed value under
646	s. 193.155(8) of a new homestead established by an owner of a
647	parcel within the destroyed residential improvement, the just
648	value and assessed value of the destroyed parcel on the January
649	1 of the year preceding the year of the destruction must be
650	used.

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651	(4) Tax payments received by the tax collector for taxes
652	and non-ad valorem assessments levied in the year of destruction
653	on parcels meeting the requirements of subsection (2) are
654	eligible for a refund upon application made to the tax
655	collector. For purposes of this subsection, the parcel owner or
656	the parcel owner's legal representative may apply for a refund.
657	(5) Section 197.319 does not apply to any parcel for which
658	an abatement of taxes and non-ad valorem assessments is provided
659	to a parcel owner pursuant to this section.
660	(6) This section is repealed December 31, 2023, unless
661	reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the
662	Legislature.
663	Section 17. Section 197.3195, Florida Statutes, as created
664	by this act, applies retroactively to January 1, 2021. This
665	section shall take effect upon this act becoming a law.
666	Section 18. Subsection (2) of section 201.25, Florida
667	Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (3), and a new subsection
668	(2) is added to that section to read:
669	201.25 Tax exemptions for certain loansThere shall be
670	exempt from all taxes imposed by this chapter:
671	(2) Any federal loan that is related to a state of
672	emergency declared by executive order or proclamation of the
673	Governor pursuant to s. 252.36.
674	Section 19. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
675	212.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
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676 677 212.04 Admissions tax; rate, procedure, enforcement.(2)(a) A tax may not be levied on:

678 Admissions to athletic or other events sponsored by 1. 679 elementary schools, junior high schools, middle schools, high 680 schools, community colleges, public or private colleges and 681 universities, deaf and blind schools, facilities of the youth 682 services programs of the Department of Children and Families, 683 and state correctional institutions if only student, faculty, or 684 inmate talent is used. However, this exemption does not apply to 685 admission to athletic events sponsored by a state university, 686 and the proceeds of the tax collected on such admissions shall 687 be retained and used by each institution to support women's 688 athletics as provided in s. 1006.71(2)(c).

2. Dues, membership fees, and admission charges imposed by not-for-profit sponsoring organizations. To receive this exemption, the sponsoring organization must qualify as a notfor-profit entity under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

Admission charges to an event sponsored by a governmental entity, sports authority, or sports commission if held in a convention hall, exhibition hall, auditorium, stadium, theater, arena, civic center, performing arts center, or publicly owned recreational facility and if 100 percent of the risk of success or failure lies with the sponsor of the event and 100 percent of the funds at risk for the event belong to the

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701 sponsor, and student or faculty talent is not exclusively used.
702 As used in this subparagraph, the terms "sports authority" and
703 "sports commission" mean a nonprofit organization that is exempt
704 from federal income tax under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal
705 Revenue Code and that contracts with a county or municipal
706 government for the purpose of promoting and attracting sports707 tourism events to the community with which it contracts.

4. An admission paid by a student, or on the student's behalf, to any required place of sport or recreation if the student's participation in the sport or recreational activity is required as a part of a program or activity sponsored by, and under the jurisdiction of, the student's educational institution if his or her attendance is as a participant and not as a spectator.

715 5. Admissions to the National Football League championship 716 game or Pro Bowl; admissions to any semifinal game or 717 championship game of a national collegiate tournament; 718 admissions to a Major League Baseball, Major League Soccer, 719 National Basketball Association, or National Hockey League all-720 star game; admissions to the Major League Baseball Home Run 721 Derby held before the Major League Baseball All-Star Game; 722 admissions to any FIFA World Cup match sanctioned by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), 723 724 including any qualifying match held up to 12 months before the 725 FIFA World Cup matches; admissions to any Formula One Grand Prix

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726 race sanctioned by Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile, 727 including any qualifying or support races held at the circuit up 728 to 72 hours before the grand prix race; admissions to the 729 Daytona 500 sanctioned by the National Association for Stock Car 730 Auto Racing, including any qualifying or support races held at 731 the same track up to 72 hours before the race; or admissions to 732 National Basketball Association all-star events produced by the 733 National Basketball Association and held at a facility such as 734 an arena, convention center, or municipal facility.

6. A participation fee or sponsorship fee imposed by a governmental entity as described in s. 212.08(6) for an athletic or recreational program if the governmental entity by itself, or in conjunction with an organization exempt under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, sponsors, administers, plans, supervises, directs, and controls the athletic or recreational program.

Admissions to live theater, live opera, or live ballet 742 7. 743 productions in this state which are sponsored by an organization 744 that has received a determination from the Internal Revenue 745 Service that the organization is exempt from federal income tax 746 under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as 747 amended, if the organization actively participates in planning 748 and conducting the event, is responsible for the safety and 749 success of the event, is organized for the purpose of sponsoring live theater, live opera, or live ballet productions in this 750

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751 state, has more than 10,000 subscribing members and has among 752 the stated purposes in its charter the promotion of arts 753 education in the communities it serves, and will receive at 754 least 20 percent of the net profits, if any, of the events the 755 organization sponsors and will bear the risk of at least 20 756 percent of the losses, if any, from the events it sponsors if 757 the organization employs other persons as agents to provide 758 services in connection with a sponsored event. Before March 1 of 759 each year, such organization may apply to the department for a 760 certificate of exemption for admissions to such events sponsored 761 in this state by the organization during the immediately 762 following state fiscal year. The application must state the 763 total dollar amount of admissions receipts collected by the 764 organization or its agents from such events in this state 765 sponsored by the organization or its agents in the year 766 immediately preceding the year in which the organization applies 767 for the exemption. Such organization shall receive the exemption 768 only to the extent of \$1.5 million multiplied by the ratio that 769 such receipts bear to the total of such receipts of all 770 organizations applying for the exemption in such year; however, 771 such exemption granted to any organization may not exceed 6 percent of such admissions receipts collected by the 772 773 organization or its agents in the year immediately preceding the 774 year in which the organization applies for the exemption. Each 775 organization receiving the exemption shall report each month to

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the department the total admissions receipts collected from such events sponsored by the organization during the preceding month and shall remit to the department an amount equal to 6 percent of such receipts reduced by any amount remaining under the exemption. Tickets for such events sold by such organizations may not reflect the tax otherwise imposed under this section.

782 8. Entry fees for participation in freshwater fishing783 tournaments.

9. Participation or entry fees charged to participants in
a game, race, or other sport or recreational event if spectators
are charged a taxable admission to such event.

787 10. Admissions to any postseason collegiate football game788 sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

11. Admissions to and membership fees for gun clubs. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "gun club" means an organization whose primary purpose is to offer its members access to one or more shooting ranges for target or skeet shooting.

794 Section 20. Paragraph (n) is added to subsection (1) of 795 section 212.05, Florida Statutes, to read:

796 212.05 Sales, storage, use tax.—It is hereby declared to 797 be the legislative intent that every person is exercising a 798 taxable privilege who engages in the business of selling 799 tangible personal property at retail in this state, including 800 the business of making or facilitating remote sales; who rents

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801 or furnishes any of the things or services taxable under this 802 chapter; or who stores for use or consumption in this state any 803 item or article of tangible personal property as defined herein 804 and who leases or rents such property within the state.

805 (1) For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied on 806 each taxable transaction or incident, which tax is due and 807 payable as follows:

808 (n) At the rate of 3 percent of the sales price on the 809 retail sale of a new mobile home. As used in this paragraph, the 810 term "new mobile home" has the same meaning as in s. 319.001.

811 Section 21. Paragraph (c) of subsection (6) of section 812 212.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

813 212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative intent; 814 authorization and use of proceeds.-It is the legislative intent 815 that any authorization for imposition of a discretionary sales 816 surtax shall be published in the Florida Statutes as a 817 subsection of this section, irrespective of the duration of the 818 levy. Each enactment shall specify the types of counties 819 authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be imposed; the 820 maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed, if any; the 821 procedure which must be followed to secure voter approval, if 822 required; the purpose for which the proceeds may be expended; 823 and such other requirements as the Legislature may provide. 824 Taxable transactions and administrative procedures shall be as 825 provided in s. 212.054.

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(6) SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY SURTAX.-

827 The resolution providing for the imposition of the (C) 828 surtax must set forth a plan for use of the surtax proceeds for fixed capital expenditures or fixed capital costs associated 829 830 with the construction, reconstruction, or improvement of school 831 facilities and campuses which have a useful life expectancy of 5 832 or more years, and any land acquisition, land improvement, 833 design, and engineering costs related thereto, or any purchase, 834 lease-purchase, lease, or maintenance of school buses, as 835 defined in s. 1006.25, which have a life expectancy of 5 years 836 or more. Additionally, the plan shall include the costs of 837 retrofitting and providing for technology implementation, including hardware and software, for the various sites within 838 839 the school district. Surtax revenues may be used to service bond 840 indebtedness to finance projects authorized by this subsection, 841 and any interest accrued thereto may be held in trust to finance 842 such projects. Neither the proceeds of the surtax nor any 843 interest accrued thereto shall be used for operational expenses. 844 Surtax revenues shared with charter schools shall be expended by 845 the charter school in a manner consistent with the allowable uses set forth in s. 1013.62(4). All revenues and expenditures 846 847 shall be accounted for in a charter school's monthly or quarterly financial statement pursuant to s. 1002.33(9). The 848 849 eligibility of a charter school to receive funds under this subsection shall be determined in accordance with s. 1013.62(1). 850

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851 If a school's charter is not renewed or is terminated and the 852 school is dissolved under the provisions of law under which the 853 school was organized, any unencumbered funds received under this 854 subsection shall revert to the sponsor.

855 Section 22. The additional uses of surtax proceeds 856 authorized by the amendments made by this act to s. 212.055(6)(c), Florida Statutes, may apply to a surtax in effect 857 858 on the date this act becomes a law only to the extent such use 859 was authorized in the original referendum adopting the surtax or 860 is authorized pursuant to a subsequent resolution conditioned to 861 take effect only upon approval of a majority vote of the 862 electors of the county voting in a referendum.

863 Section 23. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3), paragraphs 864 (a), (c), and (p) of subsection (5), and paragraph (b) of 865 subsection (7) of section 212.08, Florida Statutes, are amended, 866 and paragraph (ppp) is added to subsection (7) of that section, 867 to read:

868 212.08 Sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and 869 storage tax; specified exemptions.-The sale at retail, the 870 rental, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the 871 storage to be used or consumed in this state of the following 872 are hereby specifically exempt from the tax imposed by this 873 chapter.

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EXEMPTIONS; CERTAIN FARM EQUIPMENT.-

(b) The tax may not be imposed on that portion of the

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876 sales price below \$20,000 for a trailer weighing 12,000 pounds 877 or less and purchased by a farmer for exclusive use in 878 agricultural production or to transport farm products from his 879 or her farm to the place where the farmer transfers ownership of 880 the farm products to another. This exemption is not forfeited by 881 using a trailer to transport the farmer's farm equipment. The 882 exemption provided under this paragraph does not apply to the 883 lease or rental of a trailer.

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(5) EXEMPTIONS; ACCOUNT OF USE.-

885 Items in agricultural use and certain nets.-There are (a) 886 exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter nets designed and 887 used exclusively by commercial fisheries; disinfectants, 888 fertilizers, insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, 889 and weed killers used for application on crops or groves, 890 including commercial nurseries and home vegetable gardens, used 891 in dairy barns or on poultry farms for the purpose of protecting 892 poultry or livestock, or used directly on poultry or livestock; 893 animal health products that are administered to, applied to, or 894 consumed by livestock or poultry to alleviate pain or cure or 895 prevent sickness, disease, or suffering, including, but not 896 limited to, antiseptics, absorbent cotton, gauze for bandages, 897 lotions, vaccines, vitamins, and worm remedies; aquaculture 898 health products that are used by aquaculture producers, as 899 defined in s. 597.0015, to prevent or treat fungi, bacteria, and parasitic diseases; portable containers or movable receptacles 900

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901 in which portable containers are placed, used for processing 902 farm products; field and garden seeds, including flower seeds; 903 nursery stock, seedlings, cuttings, or other propagative 904 material purchased for growing stock; seeds, seedlings, 905 cuttings, and plants used to produce food for human consumption; 906 cloth, plastic, and other similar materials used for shade, 907 mulch, or protection from frost or insects on a farm; hog wire 908 and barbed wire fencing, including gates and materials used to construct or repair such fencing, used in agricultural 909 910 production on lands classified as agricultural lands under s. 911 193.461; stakes used by a farmer to support plants during 912 agricultural production; generators used on poultry farms; and 913 liquefied petroleum gas or other fuel used to heat a structure 914 in which started pullets or broilers are raised; however, such 915 exemption is not allowed unless the purchaser or lessee signs a 916 certificate stating that the item to be exempted is for the 917 exclusive use designated herein. Also exempt are cellophane 918 wrappers, glue for tin and glass (apiarists), mailing cases for 919 honey, shipping cases, window cartons, and baling wire and twine 920 used for baling hay, when used by a farmer to contain, produce, 921 or process an agricultural commodity.

922 (c) Machinery and equipment used in production of 923 electrical or steam energy.-

924 1. The purchase of machinery and equipment for use at a925 fixed location which machinery and equipment are necessary in

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926 the production of electrical or steam energy resulting from the 927 burning of hydrogen or boiler fuels other than residual oil is 928 exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter. Such electrical or 929 steam energy must be primarily for use in manufacturing, 930 processing, compounding, or producing for sale items of tangible 931 personal property in this state. Use of a de minimis amount of 932 residual fuel to facilitate the burning of nonresidual fuel 933 shall not reduce the exemption otherwise available under this 934 paragraph.

935 2. In facilities where machinery and equipment are necessary to burn hydrogen, or both residual and nonresidual 936 937 fuels, the exemption shall be prorated. Such proration shall be 938 based upon the production of electrical or steam energy from 939 nonresidual fuels and hydrogen as a percentage of electrical or 940 steam energy from all fuels. If it is determined that 15 percent 941 or less of all electrical or steam energy generated was produced 942 by burning residual fuel, the full exemption shall apply. 943 Purchasers claiming a partial exemption shall obtain such 944 exemption by refund of taxes paid, or as otherwise provided in 945 the department's rules.

3. The department may adopt rules that provide for implementation of this exemption. Purchasers of machinery and equipment qualifying for the exemption provided in this paragraph shall furnish the vendor with an affidavit stating that the item or items to be exempted are for the use designated

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951 herein. Any person furnishing a false affidavit to the vendor 952 for the purpose of evading payment of any tax imposed under this 953 chapter shall be subject to the penalty set forth in s. 212.085 954 and as otherwise provided by law. Purchasers with self-accrual 955 authority shall maintain all documentation necessary to prove 956 the exempt status of purchases.

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(p) Community contribution tax credit for donations.-

958 1. Authorization.-Persons who are registered with the 959 department under s. 212.18 to collect or remit sales or use tax 960 and who make donations to eligible sponsors are eligible for tax 961 credits against their state sales and use tax liabilities as 962 provided in this paragraph:

a. The credit shall be computed as 50 percent of theperson's approved annual community contribution.

965 The credit shall be granted as a refund against state b. 966 sales and use taxes reported on returns and remitted in the 12 967 months preceding the date of application to the department for 968 the credit as required in sub-subparagraph 3.c. If the annual 969 credit is not fully used through such refund because of 970 insufficient tax payments during the applicable 12-month period, 971 the unused amount may be included in an application for a refund 972 made pursuant to sub-subparagraph 3.c. in subsequent years 973 against the total tax payments made for such year. Carryover credits may be applied for a 3-year period without regard to any 974 975 time limitation that would otherwise apply under s. 215.26.

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976 A person may not receive more than \$200,000 in annual с. 977 tax credits for all approved community contributions made in any 978 one year.

979 d. All proposals for the granting of the tax credit 980 require the prior approval of the Department of Economic Opportunity. 981

982 e. The total amount of tax credits which may be granted 983 for all programs approved under this paragraph and ss. 220.183 984 and 624.5105 is \$14.5 million in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and \$12.5 million in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, \$13.5 million in the 985 986 2019-2020 fiscal year, and \$10.5 million in each fiscal year 987 thereafter for projects that provide housing opportunities for 988 persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for 989 low-income households or very-low-income households and \$4.5 990  $\frac{3.5}{100}$  million in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal 991 year thereafter for all other projects. As used in this 992 paragraph, the term "person with special needs" has the same 993 meaning as in s. 420.0004 and the terms "low-income person," 994 "low-income household," "very-low-income person," and "very-lowincome household" have the same meanings as in s. 420.9071. 995 996 f. A person who is eligible to receive the credit provided 997 in this paragraph, s. 220.183, or s. 624.5105 may receive the 998 credit only under one section of the person's choice.

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- 2. Eligibility requirements.-
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- A community contribution by a person must be in the a.

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1001 following form: 1002 Cash or other liquid assets; (I) 1003 Real property, including 100 percent ownership of a (II)1004 real property holding company; 1005 (III) Goods or inventory; or 1006 Other physical resources identified by the Department (IV) 1007 of Economic Opportunity. 1008 1009 For purposes of this sub-subparagraph, the term "real property 1010 holding company" means a Florida entity, such as a Florida 1011 limited liability company, that is wholly owned by the person; is the sole owner of real property, as defined in s. 1012 1013 192.001(12), located in the state; is disregarded as an entity 1014 for federal income tax purposes pursuant to 26 C.F.R. s. 301.7701-3(b)(1)(ii); and at the time of contribution to an 1015 1016 eligible sponsor, has no material assets other than the real 1017 property and any other property that qualifies as a community 1018 contribution. 1019 b. All community contributions must be reserved 1020 exclusively for use in a project. As used in this sub-1021 subparagraph, the term "project" means activity undertaken by an 1022 eligible sponsor which is designed to construct, improve, or 1023 substantially rehabilitate housing that is affordable to low-1024 income households or very-low-income households; designed to provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs; 1025

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1026 designed to provide commercial, industrial, or public resources 1027 and facilities; or designed to improve entrepreneurial and job-1028 development opportunities for low-income persons. A project may 1029 be the investment necessary to increase access to high-speed 1030 broadband capability in a rural community that had an enterprise 1031 zone designated pursuant to chapter 290 as of May 1, 2015, 1032 including projects that result in improvements to communications 1033 assets that are owned by a business. A project may include the 1034 provision of museum educational programs and materials that are 1035 directly related to a project approved between January 1, 1996, 1036 and December 31, 1999, and located in an area which was in an 1037 enterprise zone designated pursuant to s. 290.0065 as of May 1, 2015. This paragraph does not preclude projects that propose to 1038 1039 construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income households or 1040 very-low-income households on scattered sites or housing 1041 opportunities for persons with special needs. With respect to housing, contributions may be used to pay the following eligible 1042 1043 special needs, low-income, and very-low-income housing-related activities: 1044

1045 (I) Project development impact and management fees for 1046 special needs, low-income, or very-low-income housing projects;

1047 (II) Down payment and closing costs for persons with 1048 special needs, low-income persons, and very-low-income persons;

1049(III) Administrative costs, including housing counseling1050and marketing fees, not to exceed 10 percent of the community

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1051 contribution, directly related to special needs, low-income, or 1052 very-low-income projects; and 1053 Removal of liens recorded against residential (IV) 1054 property by municipal, county, or special district local governments if satisfaction of the lien is a necessary precedent 1055 1056 to the transfer of the property to a low-income person or very-1057 low-income person for the purpose of promoting home ownership. 1058 Contributions for lien removal must be received from a 1059 nonrelated third party. 1060 The project must be undertaken by an "eligible с. 1061 sponsor," which includes: 1062 A community action program; (I) 1063 (II) A nonprofit community-based development organization 1064 whose mission is the provision of housing for persons with 1065 special needs, low-income households, or very-low-income 1066 households or increasing entrepreneurial and job-development opportunities for low-income persons; 1067 1068 (III) A neighborhood housing services corporation; 1069 A local housing authority created under chapter 421; (IV) 1070 A community redevelopment agency created under s. (V) 163.356; 1071 1072 A historic preservation district agency or (VI) 1073 organization; 1074 (VII) A local workforce development board; 1075 (VIII) A direct-support organization as provided in s.

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1077 (IX) An enterprise zone development agency created under 1078 s. 290.0056;

(X) A community-based organization incorporated under chapter 617 which is recognized as educational, charitable, or scientific pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and whose bylaws and articles of incorporation include affordable housing, economic development, or community development as the primary mission of the corporation;

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(XI) Units of local government;

(XII) Units of state government; or

1087 (XIII) Any other agency that the Department of Economic 1088 Opportunity designates by rule.

1090 A contributing person may not have a financial interest in the 1091 eligible sponsor.

1092 The project must be located in an area which was in an d. 1093 enterprise zone designated pursuant to chapter 290 as of May 1, 1094 2015, or a Front Porch Florida Community, unless the project 1095 increases access to high-speed broadband capability in a rural 1096 community that had an enterprise zone designated pursuant to 1097 chapter 290 as of May 1, 2015, but is physically located outside 1098 the designated rural zone boundaries. Any project designed to 1099 construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income households or very-low-income households or housing opportunities for persons 1100

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1101 with special needs is exempt from the area requirement of this
1102 sub-subparagraph.

1103 e.(I) If, during the first 10 business days of the state 1104 fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or 1105 1106 homeownership opportunities for low-income households or very-1107 low-income households are received for less than the annual tax 1108 credits available for those projects, the Department of Economic 1109 Opportunity shall grant tax credits for those applications and grant remaining tax credits on a first-come, first-served basis 1110 1111 for subsequent eligible applications received before the end of the state fiscal year. If, during the first 10 business days of 1112 1113 the state fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for 1114 projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income 1115 1116 households or very-low-income households are received for more than the annual tax credits available for those projects, the 1117 1118 Department of Economic Opportunity shall grant the tax credits 1119 for those applications as follows:

(A) If tax credit applications submitted for approved projects of an eligible sponsor do not exceed \$200,000 in total, the credits shall be granted in full if the tax credit applications are approved.

(B) If tax credit applications submitted for approvedprojects of an eligible sponsor exceed \$200,000 in total, the

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1126 amount of tax credits granted pursuant to sub-sub-sub-1127 subparagraph (A) shall be subtracted from the amount of 1128 available tax credits, and the remaining credits shall be 1129 granted to each approved tax credit application on a pro rata 1130 basis.

1131 If, during the first 10 business days of the state (II)1132 fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for projects other 1133 than those that provide housing opportunities for persons with 1134 special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income 1135 households or very-low-income households are received for less 1136 than the annual tax credits available for those projects, the 1137 Department of Economic Opportunity shall grant tax credits for 1138 those applications and shall grant remaining tax credits on a 1139 first-come, first-served basis for subsequent eligible 1140 applications received before the end of the state fiscal year. 1141 If, during the first 10 business days of the state fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for projects other than those 1142 1143 that provide housing opportunities for persons with special 1144 needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income households 1145 or very-low-income households are received for more than the 1146 annual tax credits available for those projects, the Department 1147 of Economic Opportunity shall grant the tax credits for those applications on a pro rata basis. 1148

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- 3. Application requirements.-
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a. An eligible sponsor seeking to participate in this

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1151 program must submit a proposal to the Department of Economic 1152 Opportunity which sets forth the name of the sponsor, a 1153 description of the project, and the area in which the project is 1154 located, together with such supporting information as is 1155 prescribed by rule. The proposal must also contain a resolution 1156 from the local governmental unit in which the project is located 1157 certifying that the project is consistent with local plans and 1158 regulations.

b. A person seeking to participate in this program must submit an application for tax credit to the Department of Economic Opportunity which sets forth the name of the sponsor, a description of the project, and the type, value, and purpose of the contribution. The sponsor shall verify, in writing, the terms of the application and indicate its receipt of the contribution, and such verification must accompany the application for tax credit. The person must submit a separate tax credit application to the Department of Economic Opportunity for each individual contribution that it makes to each individual project.

c. A person who has received notification from the Department of Economic Opportunity that a tax credit has been approved must apply to the department to receive the refund. Application must be made on the form prescribed for claiming refunds of sales and use taxes and be accompanied by a copy of the notification. A person may submit only one application for

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1176 refund to the department within a 12-month period.

4. Administration.-

a. The Department of Economic Opportunity may adopt rules
necessary to administer this paragraph, including rules for the
approval or disapproval of proposals by a person.

b. The decision of the Department of Economic Opportunity must be in writing, and, if approved, the notification shall state the maximum credit allowable to the person. Upon approval, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall transmit a copy of the decision to the department.

1186 c. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall 1187 periodically monitor all projects in a manner consistent with 1188 available resources to ensure that resources are used in 1189 accordance with this paragraph; however, each project must be 1190 reviewed at least once every 2 years.

d. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall, in consultation with the statewide and regional housing and financial intermediaries, market the availability of the community contribution tax credit program to community-based organizations.

(7) MISCELLANEOUS EXEMPTIONS.-Exemptions provided to any entity by this chapter do not inure to any transaction that is otherwise taxable under this chapter when payment is made by a representative or employee of the entity by any means, including, but not limited to, cash, check, or credit card, even

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1201 when that representative or employee is subsequently reimbursed 1202 by the entity. In addition, exemptions provided to any entity by 1203 this subsection do not inure to any transaction that is 1204 otherwise taxable under this chapter unless the entity has 1205 obtained a sales tax exemption certificate from the department 1206 or the entity obtains or provides other documentation as 1207 required by the department. Eligible purchases or leases made 1208 with such a certificate must be in strict compliance with this 1209 subsection and departmental rules, and any person who makes an 1210 exempt purchase with a certificate that is not in strict 1211 compliance with this subsection and the rules is liable for and 1212 shall pay the tax. The department may adopt rules to administer 1213 this subsection.

1214 Boiler fuels.-When purchased for use as a combustible (b) fuel, purchases of natural gas, residual oil, recycled oil, 1215 1216 waste oil, solid waste material, coal, sulfur, hydrogen, wood, wood residues or wood bark used in an industrial manufacturing, 1217 1218 processing, compounding, or production process at a fixed 1219 location in this state are exempt from the taxes imposed by this 1220 chapter; however, such exemption shall not be allowed unless the 1221 purchaser signs a certificate stating that the fuel to be 1222 exempted is for the exclusive use designated herein. This 1223 exemption does not apply to the use of boiler fuels that are not 1224 used in manufacturing, processing, compounding, or producing items of tangible personal property for sale, or to the use of 1225

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1226 boiler fuels used by any firm subject to regulation by the 1227 Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business 1228 and Professional Regulation. 1229 (ppp) Green hydrogen.-1230 1. As used this paragraph, the term: 1231 "Green hydrogen" means hydrogen created using biomass a. 1232 or an electrolytic process powered from renewable energy 1233 sources, including solar energy, wind energy, biomass, and 1234 geothermal energy. The term also includes hydrogen created using 1235 the pyrolytic decomposition of methane gas. 1236 b. "Primarily used" means a use of at least 50 percent. 1237 2. The following are exempt from the tax imposed by this 1238 chapter: 1239 a. The purchase of machinery and equipment primarily used 1240 in the production, storage, transportation, compression, or 1241 blending of green hydrogen. The machinery and equipment must be 1242 used at a fixed location. 1243 b. The purchase of machinery and equipment primarily used 1244 in the production, storage, transportation, compression, or 1245 blending of ammonia derived from green hydrogen, if the ammonia 1246 will be converted back to green hydrogen before its use or sale. 1247 The machinery and equipment must be used at a fixed location. 1248 c. The purchase of machinery and equipment that are 1249 necessary to produce electrical energy resulting from the electrochemical reaction of green hydrogen and oxygen in a fuel 1250

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1251 cell. The electrical energy must be primarily used in manufacturing, processing, compounding, or producing for sale 1252 1253 items of tangible personal property in this state. The machinery 1254 and equipment must be used at a fixed location. 1255 3. Purchasers of machinery and equipment qualifying for 1256 the exemption provided in this paragraph shall furnish the 1257 vendor with an affidavit stating that the item or items to be 1258 exempted are for the use designated herein. Purchasers with 1259 self-accrual authority pursuant to s. 212.183 are not required to provide this affidavit but shall maintain all documentation 1260 1261 necessary to prove the exempt status of purchases. 1262 4. A person furnishing a false affidavit to the vendor for 1263 the purpose of evading payment of any tax imposed under this 1264 chapter shall be subject to the penalty set forth in s. 212.085 1265 and as otherwise provided by law. 1266 5. The department may adopt rules to implement the 1267 exemptions in this paragraph. 1268 Section 24. Subsection (23) is added to section 213.053, 1269 Florida Statutes, to read: 1270 213.053 Confidentiality and information sharing.-1271 (23) The department may make available to the Department of Transportation, exclusively for official purposes, 1272 1273 information for the purpose of administering the credit for 1274 qualified railroad reconstruction or replacement expenditures in 1275 s. 220.1915.

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1276 Section 25. Subsection (8) of section 220.02, Florida 1277 Statutes, is amended to read: 1278 220.02 Legislative intent.-1279 (8) It is the intent of the Legislature that credits 1280 against either the corporate income tax or the franchise tax be 1281 applied in the following order: those enumerated in s. 631.828, 1282 those enumerated in s. 220.191, those enumerated in s. 220.181, 1283 those enumerated in s. 220.183, those enumerated in s. 220.182, 1284 those enumerated in s. 220.1895, those enumerated in s. 220.195, those enumerated in s. 220.184, those enumerated in s. 220.186, 1285 those enumerated in s. 220.1845, those enumerated in s. 220.19, 1286 1287 those enumerated in s. 220.185, those enumerated in s. 220.1875, those enumerated in s. 220.1876, those enumerated in s. 1288 1289 220.1877, those enumerated in s. 220.193, those enumerated in s. 1290 288.9916, those enumerated in s. 220.1899, those enumerated in 1291 s. 220.194, those enumerated in s. 220.196, and those enumerated 1292 in s. 220.198, and those enumerated in s. 220.1915. 1293 Section 26. Paragraph (n) of subsection (1) and paragraph 1294 (c) of subsection (2) of section 220.03, Florida Statutes, are 1295 amended to read: 1296 220.03 Definitions.-1297 SPECIFIC TERMS.-When used in this code, and when not (1)1298 otherwise distinctly expressed or manifestly incompatible with 1299 the intent thereof, the following terms shall have the following 1300 meanings:

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1301 "Internal Revenue Code" means the United States (n) 1302 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect on 1303 January 1, 2022 2021, except as provided in subsection (3). DEFINITIONAL RULES.-When used in this code and neither 1304 (2)1305 otherwise distinctly expressed nor manifestly incompatible with 1306 the intent thereof: 1307 (C) Any term used in this code has the same meaning as 1308 when used in a comparable context in the Internal Revenue Code 1309 and other statutes of the United States relating to federal 1310 income taxes, as such code and statutes are in effect on January 1311 1, 2022 <del>2021</del>. However, if subsection (3) is implemented, the 1312 meaning of a term shall be taken at the time the term is applied 1313 under this code. 1314 Section 27. The amendments made by this act to s. 220.03(1), Florida Statutes, shall take effect upon this act 1315 1316 becoming a law and operate retroactively to January 1, 2022. 1317 Section 28. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 1318 220.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1319 220.13 "Adjusted federal income" defined.-1320 The term "adjusted federal income" means an amount (1)1321 equal to the taxpayer's taxable income as defined in subsection 1322 (2), or such taxable income of more than one taxpayer as provided in s. 220.131, for the taxable year, adjusted as 1323 1324 follows: 1325 (a) Additions.-There shall be added to such taxable

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1326	income:
1327	1.a. The amount of any tax upon or measured by income,
1328	excluding taxes based on gross receipts or revenues, paid or
1329	accrued as a liability to the District of Columbia or any state
1330	of the United States which is deductible from gross income in
1331	the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.
1332	b. Notwithstanding sub-subparagraph a., if a credit taken
1333	under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, or s. 220.1877 is added to
1334	taxable income in a previous taxable year under subparagraph 11.
1335	and is taken as a deduction for federal tax purposes in the
1336	current taxable year, the amount of the deduction allowed shall
1337	not be added to taxable income in the current year. The
1338	exception in this sub-subparagraph is intended to ensure that
1339	the credit under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, or s. 220.1877 is
1340	added in the applicable taxable year and does not result in a
1341	duplicate addition in a subsequent year.
1342	2. The amount of interest which is excluded from taxable
1343	income under s. 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or any other
1344	federal law, less the associated expenses disallowed in the
1345	computation of taxable income under s. 265 of the Internal
1346	Revenue Code or any other law, excluding 60 percent of any
1347	amounts included in alternative minimum taxable income, as
1348	defined in s. 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, if the

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3. In the case of a regulated investment company or real

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taxpayer pays tax under s. 220.11(3).

estate investment trust, an amount equal to the excess of the net long-term capital gain for the taxable year over the amount of the capital gain dividends attributable to the taxable year.

4. That portion of the wages or salaries paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.181. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.

5. That portion of the ad valorem school taxes paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.182. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.

1364 6. The amount taken as a credit under s. 220.195 which is
1365 deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable
1366 income for the taxable year.

1367 7. That portion of assessments to fund a guaranty1368 association incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the1369 amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year.

8. In the case of a nonprofit corporation which holds a pari-mutuel permit and which is exempt from federal income tax as a farmers' cooperative, an amount equal to the excess of the gross income attributable to the pari-mutuel operations over the attributable expenses for the taxable year.

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9. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under

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1376 s. 220.1895.

1377 10. Up to nine percent of the eligible basis of any
1378 designated project which is equal to the credit allowable for
1379 the taxable year under s. 220.185.

1380 11. Any amount taken as a credit for the taxable year 1381 under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, or s. 220.1877. The addition in 1382 this subparagraph is intended to ensure that the same amount is 1383 not allowed for the tax purposes of this state as both a 1384 deduction from income and a credit against the tax. This 1385 addition is not intended to result in adding the same expense 1386 back to income more than once.

1387 12. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year 1388 under s. 220.193.

1389 13. Any portion of a qualified investment, as defined in 1390 s. 288.9913, which is claimed as a deduction by the taxpayer and 1391 taken as a credit against income tax pursuant to s. 288.9916.

1392 14. The costs to acquire a tax credit pursuant to s.
1393 288.1254(5) that are deducted from or otherwise reduce federal
1394 taxable income for the taxable year.

1395 15. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year 1396 pursuant to s. 220.194.

1397 16. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year 1398 under s. 220.196. The addition in this subparagraph is intended 1399 to ensure that the same amount is not allowed for the tax 1400 purposes of this state as both a deduction from income and a

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1401 credit against the tax. The addition is not intended to result 1402 in adding the same expense back to income more than once. 1403 17. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year pursuant to s. 220.198. 1404 1405 18. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year 1406 pursuant to s. 220.1915. 1407 Section 29. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 1408 220.183, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1409 220.183 Community contribution tax credit.-AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION TAX 1410 (1)1411 CREDITS; LIMITATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL CREDITS AND PROGRAM 1412 SPENDING.-The total amount of tax credit which may be granted 1413 (C) 1414 for all programs approved under this section, s. 212.08(5)(p), and s. 624.5105 is \$14.5 million in the 2022-2023 fiscal year 1415 1416 and \$12.5 million in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, \$13.5 million in 1417 the 2019-2020 fiscal year, and \$10.5 million in each fiscal year 1418 thereafter for projects that provide housing opportunities for 1419 persons with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004 and 1420 homeownership opportunities for low-income households or very-1421 low-income households as defined in s. 420.9071 and \$4.5 \$3.51422 million in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal year thereafter for all other projects. 1423 1424 Section 30. Subsection (1) of section 220.1876, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1425

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1426 220.1876 Credit for contributions to the New Worlds 1427 Reading Initiative.-1428 (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1429 2021 <del>2022</del>, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eligible contribution made to the New Worlds Reading Initiative 1430 1431 under s. 1003.485 against any tax due for a taxable year under 1432 this chapter after the application of any other allowable 1433 credits by the taxpayer. An eligible contribution must be made 1434 to the New Worlds Reading Initiative on or before the date the 1435 taxpayer is required to file a return pursuant to s. 220.222. 1436 The credit granted by this section shall be reduced by the 1437 difference between the amount of federal corporate income tax, 1438 taking into account the credit granted by this section, and the 1439 amount of federal corporate income tax without application of 1440 the credit granted by this section. 1441 Section 31. Subsection (1) of section 220.1877, Florida 1442 Statutes, is amended to read: 1443 220.1877 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable 1444 organizations.-1445 For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, (1)1446 2021 <del>2022</del>, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an 1447 eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable organization under s. 402.62 against any tax due for a taxable 1448 1449 year under this chapter after the application of any other allowable credits by the taxpayer. An eligible contribution must 1450

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be made to an eligible charitable organization on or before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return pursuant to s. 220.222. The credit granted by this section shall be reduced by the difference between the amount of federal corporate income tax, taking into account the credit granted by this section, and the amount of federal corporate income tax without application of the credit granted by this section.

1458Section 32.Section 220.1915, Florida Statutes, is created1459to read:

# 1460220.1915Credit for qualified railroad reconstruction or1461replacement expenditures.-

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(1) For purposes of this section:

(a) "Qualified expenditures" means gross expenditures made in this state by a qualifying railroad during the taxable year in which the credit is claimed, provided such expenditures were made on track that was owned or leased by a qualifying railroad, and were:

14681. For the maintenance, reconstruction, or replacement of1469railroad infrastructure, including track, roadbed, bridges,1470industrial leads and sidings, or track-related structures which1471were owned or leased by the qualifying railroad; or

1472 <u>2. For new construction by the qualifying railroad of</u> 1473 <u>industrial leads, switches, spurs and sidings, and extensions of</u> 1474 <u>existing sidings located in this state.</u>

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(b) "Qualifying railroad" means any taxpayer that was a

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1476 Class II or Class III railroad operating in this state on the 1477 last day of the taxable year for which the credit is claimed, 1478 pursuant to the classifications in effect for that year as set 1479 by the United States Surface Transportation Board or its 1480 successor. 1481 (2) (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, a qualifying railroad is eligible for a credit against the 1482 1483 tax imposed by this chapter if it has qualified expenditures in 1484 this state in the taxable year. 1485 (b) The credit allowed under this section is equal to 50 1486 percent of a qualifying railroad's qualified expenditures 1487 incurred in this state in the taxable year, as limited by 1488 paragraph (c). 1489 (c) The amount of the credit may not exceed the product of 1490 \$3,500 and the number of miles of railroad track owned or leased 1491 within this state by the qualifying railroad as of the end of 1492 the taxable year in which the qualified expenditures were 1493 incurred. 1494 (3) (a) A qualifying railroad must submit to the department 1495 with its return an application including any documentation or 1496 information required by the department to demonstrate 1497 eligibility for the credit allowed under this section. 1498 (b) If the qualifying railroad is not a taxpayer under 1499 this chapter, the qualifying railroad must submit the required application including any documentation or information required 1500 Page 60 of 89

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1501 by the department directly to the department no later than May 1 1502 of the calendar year following the year in which the qualified 1503 expenditures were made, in accordance with rules adopted by the 1504 department. 1505 The qualifying railroad must include an affidavit (C) 1506 certifying that all information contained in the application is 1507 true and correct, and supporting documentation must include a copy of any Internal Revenue Service Form 8900, or its 1508 1509 equivalent, if such documentation was filed with the Internal 1510 Revenue Service for any credit under 26 U.S.C. s. 45G for which 1511 the federal credit related in whole or in part to the qualified 1512 expenditures in this state for which the credit is sought. 1513 (d) If the qualifying railroad is a taxpayer under this 1514 chapter and the credit earned exceeds the taxpayer's liability 1515 under this chapter for that year, or if the qualifying railroad 1516 is not a taxpayer under this chapter, the department must issue 1517 a letter to the qualifying railroad within 30 days after receipt 1518 of the completed application indicating the amount of the 1519 approved credit available for carryover or transfer in 1520 accordance with subsection (4). 1521 (e) The department may consult with the Department of 1522 Transportation regarding the qualifications, ownership, or 1523 classification of any qualifying railroad applying for a credit 1524 under this section. The Department of Transportation shall provide technical assistance, when requested by the department, 1525

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1526 on any technical audits performed pursuant to this section. 1527 (4) (a) If the credit granted under this section is not 1528 fully used in any one taxable year because of insufficient tax 1529 liability on the part of the qualifying railroad, or because the 1530 qualifying railroad is not subject to tax under this chapter, 1531 the unused amount may be carried forward for a period not to 1532 exceed 5 taxable years or may be transferred in accordance with 1533 paragraph (b). The carryover or transferred credit may be used 1534 in any of the 5 subsequent taxable years, when the tax imposed 1535 by this chapter for that taxable year exceeds the credit for 1536 which the qualifying railroad or transferee under paragraph (b) 1537 is eligible in that taxable year under this subsection, after applying the other credits and unused carryovers in the order 1538 1539 provided by s. 220.02(8). 1540 (b)1. The credit under this section may be transferred: 1541 a. By written agreement to a taxpayer subject to the tax 1542 under this chapter and that either transports property using the 1543 rail facilities of the qualifying railroad or furnishes 1544 railroad-related property or services to any railroad operating in this state, or is a railroad, as those terms are defined in 1545 26 C.F.R. s. 1.45G-1(b); and 1546 1547 b. At any time during the 5 taxable years following the 1548 taxable year the credit was originally earned by the qualifying 1549 railroad. 1550 2. The written agreement required for transfer under this

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1551	paragraph shall:
1552	a. Be filed jointly by the qualifying railroad and the
1553	transferee with the department within 30 days after the
1554	transfer, in accordance with rules adopted by the department;
1555	and
1556	b. Contain all of the following information: the name,
1557	address, and taxpayer identification number for the qualifying
1558	railroad and the transferee; the amount of the credit being
1559	transferred; the taxable year in which the credit was originally
1560	earned by the qualifying railroad; and the remaining taxable
1561	years for which the credit may be claimed.
1562	(5) Notification of a transfer of credit under this
1563	section must be submitted to the department on a form adopted by
1564	rule of the department. Within 30 days after the transfer, the
1565	department shall provide a letter acknowledging the transfer,
1566	after which time the transferee may claim the transferred credit
1567	on its return due on or after the date of the letter. The
1568	transferee shall attach a copy of the letter to its return when
1569	claiming the credit.
1570	(6) In the event the credit provided under this section is
1571	reduced as a result of an examination or audit by the
1572	department, such tax deficiency shall be recovered from the
1573	first entity to have claimed such credit up to the amount of
1574	credit taken. Any subsequent deficiency shall be assessed
1575	against any entity acquiring and claiming such credit or, in the
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1576 case of multiple succeeding entities, in the order of credit 1577 succession. 1578 (7) The department may adopt rules to implement this 1579 section. 1580 Section 33. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 1581 402.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1582 402.62 Strong Families Tax Credit.-1583 (5) STRONG FAMILIES TAX CREDITS; APPLICATIONS, TRANSFERS, 1584 AND LIMITATIONS.-1585 Beginning in fiscal year 2022-2023 <del>2021-2022</del>, the tax (a) 1586 credit cap amount is \$10 \$5 million in each state fiscal year. 1587 Section 34. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 624.5105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1588 1589 624.5105 Community contribution tax credit; authorization; 1590 limitations; eligibility and application requirements; 1591 administration; definitions; expiration.-1592 AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT TAX CREDITS; LIMITATIONS.-(1)1593 (C) The total amount of tax credit which may be granted 1594 for all programs approved under this section and ss. 1595 212.08(5)(p) and 220.183 is \$14.5 million in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and \$12.5 million in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, 1596 1597 \$13.5 million in the 2019-2020 fiscal year, and \$10.5 million in 1598 each fiscal year thereafter for projects that provide housing 1599 opportunities for persons with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004 or homeownership opportunities for low-income or very-1600

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1601 low-income households as defined in s. 420.9071 and  $\frac{$4.5}{$3.5}$ 1602 million <u>in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and in</u> each fiscal year 1603 thereafter for all other projects.

1604 Section 35. Subsection (1) of section 624.51056, Florida 1605 Statutes, is amended to read:

1606 624.51056 Credit for contributions to the New Worlds 1607 Reading Initiative.-

1608 (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1609 2021 <del>2022</del>, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an 1610 eligible contribution made to the New Worlds Reading Initiative 1611 under s. 1003.485 against any tax due for a taxable year under s. 624.509(1) after deducting from such tax deductions for 1612 1613 assessments made pursuant to s. 440.51; credits for taxes paid 1614 under ss. 175.101 and 185.08; credits for income taxes paid under chapter 220; and the credit allowed under s. 624.509(5), 1615 1616 as such credit is limited by s. 624.509(6). An eligible contribution must be made to the New Worlds Reading Initiative 1617 1618 on or before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return pursuant to ss. 624.509 and 624.5092. An insurer claiming a 1619 1620 credit against premium tax liability under this section is not 1621 required to pay any additional retaliatory tax levied under s. 624.5091 as a result of claiming such credit. Section 624.5091 1622 1623 does not limit such credit in any manner.

1624 Section 36. Subsection (1) of section 624.51057, Florida 1625 Statutes, is amended to read:

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1626 624.51057 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable 1627 organizations.-1628 (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1629 2021 <del>2022</del>, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an 1630 eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable 1631 organization under s. 402.62 against any tax due for a taxable 1632 year under s. 624.509(1) after deducting from such tax 1633 deductions for assessments made pursuant to s. 440.51; credits 1634 for taxes paid under ss. 175.101 and 185.08; credits for income 1635 taxes paid under chapter 220; and the credit allowed under s. 1636 624.509(5), as such credit is limited by s. 624.509(6). An 1637 eligible contribution must be made to an eligible charitable 1638 organization on or before the date the taxpayer is required to 1639 file a return pursuant to ss. 624.509 and 624.5092. An insurer 1640 claiming a credit against premium tax liability under this 1641 section is not required to pay any additional retaliatory tax 1642 levied under s. 624.5091 as a result of claiming such credit. 1643 Section 624.5091 does not limit such credit in any manner. 1644 Section 37. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and paragraph 1645 (a) of subsection (3) of section 1003.485, Florida Statutes, are 1646 amended to read: 1647 1003.485 The New Worlds Reading Initiative.-

1648 (2) NEW WORLDS READING INITIATIVE; ADMINISTRATION.—The New 1649 Worlds Reading Initiative is established under the department to 1650 improve literacy skills and instill a love of reading by

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1651 providing high-quality, free books to students in kindergarten 1652 through grade 5 who are reading below grade level.

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(b) The administrator shall:

Develop, in consultation with the Just Read, Florida!
 Office under s. 1001.215, a selection of high-quality books
 encompassing diverse subjects and genres for each grade level to
 be mailed to students in the initiative.

1658 2. Distribute books at no cost to students as provided in 1659 paragraph (4)(c) either directly or through an agreement with a 1660 book distribution company.

1661 3. Assist local implementation of the initiative by 1662 providing marketing materials to school districts and any 1663 partnering nonprofit organizations to assist with public 1664 awareness campaigns and other activities designed to increase 1665 family engagement and instill a love of reading in students.

4. Maintain a clearinghouse for information on national,
state, and local nonprofit organizations that support efforts to
improve literacy and provide books to children.

5. Develop training materials for parents of students in the initiative, including brief video training modules, which engage families in reading and assist with improving student literacy skills. The administrator shall periodically send, via text message and e-mail, tips for facilitating reading at home and hyperlinks to the video training modules.

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6. Annually submit to the department an annual financial

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1676 report that includes, at a minimum, the amount of eligible 1677 contributions received by the administrator; the amount spent on 1678 each activity required by this paragraph, including 1679 administrative expenses; and the number of students and 1680 households served under the initiative.

1681 7. Maintain separate accounts for operating funds and 1682 funds for the purchase and delivery of books.

1683 8. Expend eligible contributions received only for the 1684 purchase and delivery of books and to implement the requirements 1685 of this section, as well as for administrative expenses not to 1686 exceed 2 percent of total eligible contributions. 1687 Notwithstanding s. 1002.395(6)(j)2., the administrator may carry 1688 forward up to 25 percent of eligible contributions made before 1689 January 1 of each state fiscal year and 100 percent of eligible 1690 contributions made on or after January 1 of each state fiscal 1691 year to the following state fiscal year for purposes authorized 1692 by this subsection. Any eligible contributions in excess of the 1693 allowable 25 percent carry forward not used to provide 1694 additional books throughout the year to eligible students shall 1695 revert to the state treasury.

9. Upon receipt of a contribution, provide the taxpayer that made the contribution with a certificate of contribution. A certificate of contribution must include the taxpayer's name and, if available, its federal employer identification number; the amount contributed; the date of contribution; and the name

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1701 of the administrator. 1702 NEW WORLDS READING INITIATIVE TAX CREDITS; (3) 1703 APPLICATIONS, TRANSFERS, AND LIMITATIONS.-1704 (a) The tax credit cap amount is \$10 million for the 2021-1705 2022 state fiscal year, \$30 million for the 2022-2023 state 1706 fiscal year, and  $$60 \ \text{\$50}$  million in each state fiscal year 1707 thereafter. 1708 Section 38. Subsection (5) of section 1011.71, Florida 1709 Statutes, is amended to read: 1011.71 District school tax.-1710 A school district may expend, subject to s. 200.065, 1711 (5) up to \$175 <del>\$150</del> per unweighted full-time equivalent student from 1712 1713 the revenue generated by the millage levy authorized by 1714 subsection (2) to fund, in addition to expenditures authorized 1715 in paragraphs (2)(a) - (j), expenses for the following: 1716 (a) The purchase, lease-purchase, or lease of driver's education vehicles; motor vehicles used for the maintenance or 1717 1718 operation of plants and equipment; security vehicles; or vehicles used in storing or distributing materials and 1719 1720 equipment. 1721 (b) Payment of the cost of premiums, as defined in s. 1722 627.403, for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure 1723 school district educational and ancillary plants. As used in 1724 this paragraph, casualty insurance has the same meaning as in s. 624.605(1)(d), (f), (g), (h), and (m). Operating revenues that 1725

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1726 are made available through the payment of property and casualty 1727 insurance premiums from revenues generated under this subsection 1728 may be expended only for nonrecurring operational expenditures of the school district. 1729 1730 Section 39. It is the intent of the Legislature for any 1731 contributions made pursuant to earning a tax credit to be used 1732 against the tax due under chapter 220, Florida Statutes, or 1733 under s. 624.509(1), Florida Statutes, for taxable years 1734 beginning January 1, 2021, through and including March 1, 2021, 1735 in accordance with s. 402.62, Florida Statutes, or s. 1003.485, 1736 Florida Statutes, to be available to the contributing taxpayer 1737 as a credit against the requested tax immediately upon receipt 1738 of a certificate of contribution from the administrator of the 1739 New Worlds Reading Initiative tax credit program or the 1740 applicable charitable organization under the Strong Families tax 1741 credit program. The taxpayer may use such credit against any 1742 payment of estimated tax or installment payment for the taxable 1743 year indicated on the approval letter from the Department of 1744 Revenue in accordance with this act and s. 402.62, Florida 1745 Statutes, or s. 1003.485, Florida Statutes, as applicable. 1746 Section 40. Treatment of specified contributions under the 1747 Strong Families tax credit program and the New Worlds Reading 1748 Initiative tax credit program.-1749 (1) For purposes of any tax due under s. 624.509(1), Florida Statutes, for the 2021 taxable year, for which a return 1750

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1751 was due March 1, 2022, a taxpayer may apply for an allocation 1752 from the Department of Revenue under s. 402.62(5), Florida 1753 Statutes, or s. 1003.485(3), Florida Statutes, on or before May 1754 1, 2022. 1755 (a) Once the taxpayer has received an approval letter from 1756 the Department of Revenue, the taxpayer must make the designated 1757 contribution to the applicable charitable organization or 1758 administrator within 14 days, or on or before June 1, 2022, 1759 whichever is later. 1760 (b) Once the taxpayer has received a certificate of 1761 contribution from the charitable organization or administrator, 1762 the taxpayer has 14 days to file an application with the Department of Revenue for a refund of tax paid pursuant to s. 1763 1764 624.509(1), Florida Statutes, for the 2021 taxable year, not to 1765 exceed the amount indicated on the certificate of contribution. 1766 (2) Any contribution amount on a certificate of 1767 contribution that is not refunded in accordance with this 1768 section shall be carried forward for the period specified in s. 1769 402.62(5)(c), Florida Statutes, or s. 1003.485(3)(c), Florida 1770 Statutes, as applicable. 1771 (3) The Department of Revenue may not issue refund 1772 payments under this section after June 30, 2023. 1773 Section 41. The Department of Revenue is authorized, and 1774 all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules under s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing 1775

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1776	changes related to the Strong Families tax credit program and
1777	the New Worlds Reading Initiative tax credit program made by
1778	this act. Notwithstanding any other law, emergency rules adopted
1779	under this section are effective for 6 months after adoption and
1780	may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt
1781	permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency rules.
1782	Section 42. This section and sections 39, 40, and 41 of
1783	this act, and the sections amending ss. 220.1876, 220.1877,
1784	624.51056, 624.51057, and 1003.485, Florida Statutes, shall take
1785	effect upon this act becoming a law and operate retroactively to
1786	July 1, 2021.
1787	Section 43. <u>Clothing, wallets, and bags; school supplies;</u>
1788	learning aids and jigsaw puzzles; personal computers and
1789	personal computer-related accessories; sales tax holiday.—
1790	(1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes,
1791	may not be collected during the period from July 25, 2022,
1792	through August 7, 2022, on the retail sale of:
1793	(a) Clothing, wallets, or bags, including handbags,
1794	backpacks, fanny packs, and diaper bags, but excluding
1795	briefcases, suitcases, and other garment bags, having a sales
1796	price of \$100 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the
1797	term "clothing" means:
1798	1. Any article of wearing apparel intended to be worn on
1799	or about the human body, excluding watches, watchbands, jewelry,
1800	umbrellas, and handkerchiefs; and
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1801	2. All footwear, excluding skis, swim fins, roller blades,
1802	and skates.
1803	(b) School supplies having a sales price of \$50 or less
1804	per item. As used in this paragraph, the term "school supplies"
1805	means pens, pencils, erasers, crayons, notebooks, notebook
1806	filler paper, legal pads, binders, lunch boxes, construction
1807	paper, markers, folders, poster board, composition books, poster
1808	paper, scissors, cellophane tape, glue or paste, rulers,
1809	computer disks, staplers and staples used to secure paper
1810	products, protractors, compasses, and calculators.
1811	(c) Learning aids and jigsaw puzzles having a sales price
1812	of \$30 or less. As used in this paragraph, the term "learning
1813	aids" means flashcards or other learning cards, matching or
1814	other memory games, puzzle books and search-and-find books,
1815	interactive or electronic books and toys intended to teach
1816	reading or math skills, and stacking or nesting blocks or sets.
1817	(2) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes,
1818	may not be collected during the period from July 25, 2022,
1819	through August 7, 2022, on personal computers or personal
1820	computer-related accessories purchased for noncommercial home or
1821	personal use having a sales price of \$1,500 or less. As used in
1822	this subsection, the term:
1823	(a) "Personal computers" includes electronic book readers,
1824	laptops, desktops, handhelds, tablets, or tower computers. The
1825	term does not include cellular telephones, video game consoles,
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1826 digital media receivers, or devices that are not primarily 1827 designed to process data. 1828 (b) "Personal computer-related accessories" includes 1829 keyboards, mice, personal digital assistants, monitors, other 1830 peripheral devices, modems, routers, and nonrecreational 1831 software, regardless of whether the accessories are used in 1832 association with a personal computer base unit. The term does 1833 not include furniture or systems, devices, software, monitors 1834 with a television tuner, or peripherals that are designed or 1835 intended primarily for recreational use. 1836 (3) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not 1837 apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, within a public 1838 1839 lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida 1840 Statutes, or within an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2), 1841 Florida Statutes. 1842 (4) The tax exemptions provided in this section apply at 1843 the option of the dealer if less than 5 percent of the dealer's 1844 gross sales of tangible personal property in the prior calendar 1845 year consisted of items that would be exempt under this section. 1846 If a qualifying dealer chooses not to participate in the tax 1847 holiday, by July 18, 2022, the dealer must notify the Department 1848 of Revenue in writing of its election to collect sales tax 1849 during the holiday and must post a copy of that notice in a conspicuous location at its place of business. 1850

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1851	(5) The Department of Revenue is authorized, and all
1852	conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to
1853	s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing
1854	this section.
1855	(6) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
1856	<u>a law.</u>
1857	Section 44. Disaster preparedness supplies; sales tax
1858	holiday.—
1859	(1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes,
1860	may not be collected during the period from May 28, 2022,
1861	through June 10, 2022, on the sale of:
1862	(a) A portable self-powered light source selling for \$40
1863	or less.
1864	(b) A portable self-powered radio, two-way radio, or
1865	weather-band radio selling for \$50 or less.
1866	(c) A tarpaulin or other flexible waterproof sheeting
1867	selling for \$100 or less.
1868	(d) An item normally sold as, or generally advertised as,
1869	a ground anchor system or tie-down kit selling for \$100 or less.
1870	(e) A gas or diesel fuel tank selling for \$50 or less.
1871	(f) A package of AA-cell, AAA-cell, C-cell, D-cell, 6-
1872	volt, or 9-volt batteries, excluding automobile and boat
1873	batteries, selling for \$50 or less.
1874	(g) A nonelectric food storage cooler selling for \$60 or
1875	less.
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1876	(h) A portable generator used to provide light or
1877	communications or preserve food in the event of a power outage
1878	selling for \$1,000 or less.
1879	(i) Reusable ice selling for \$20 or less.
1880	(j) A portable power bank selling for \$60 or less.
1881	(k) A smoke detector or smoke alarm selling for \$70 or
1882	less.
1883	(1) A fire extinguisher selling for \$70 or less.
1884	(m) A carbon monoxide detector selling for \$70 or less.
1885	(n) Supplies necessary for the evacuation of household
1886	pets. For purposes of this exemption, necessary supplies means
1887	the noncommercial purchase of:
1888	1. Portable kennels or pet carriers selling for \$100 or
1889	less per item.
1890	2. Bags of dry pet food weighing 15 or fewer pounds and
1891	selling for \$30 or less per item.
1892	3. Cans or pouches of wet pet food selling for \$2 or less
1893	per can or pouch or the equivalent if sold in a box or case.
1894	4. Manual can openers selling for \$15 or less per item.
1895	5. Leashes, collars, and muzzles selling for \$20 or less
1896	per item.
1897	6. Collapsible or travel-sized food or water bowls selling
1898	<u>for \$15 or less per item.</u>
1899	7. Cat litter weighing 25 or fewer pounds and selling for
1900	\$25 or less per item.
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1925	212.02(1), Florida Statutes, for:
1924	(a) The sale by way of admissions, as defined in s.
1923	July 1, 2022, through July 7, 2022, on:
1922	may not be collected on purchases made during the period from
1921	(1) The taxes levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes,
1920	Section 45. Freedom Week; sales tax holiday
1919	a law.
1918	(4) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
1917	this section.
1916	s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing
1915	conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to
1914	(3) The Department of Revenue is authorized, and all
1913	Florida Statutes.
1912	Statutes, or within an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2),
1911	lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida
1910	defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, within a public
1909	apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as
1908	(2) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not
1907	12. Pet beds selling for \$40 or less per item.
1906	per package.
1905	11. Hamster or rabbit substrate selling for \$15 or less
1904	10. Pet pads selling for \$20 or less per box or package.
1903	package.
1902	9. Pet waste disposal bags selling for \$15 or less per
1901	8. Cat litter pans selling for \$15 or less per item.

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1926 1. A live music event scheduled to be held on any date or 1927 dates from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; 1928 2. A live sporting event scheduled to be held on any date or dates from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; 1929 1930 3. A movie to be shown in a movie theater on any date or dates from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; 1931 1932 4. Entry to a museum, including any annual passes; 5. Entry to a state park, including any annual passes; 1933 1934 6. Entry to a ballet, play, or musical theatre performance 1935 scheduled to be held on any date or dates from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; 1936 1937 7. Season tickets for ballets, plays, music events, or 1938 musical theatre performances; 1939 8. Entry to a fair, festival, or cultural event scheduled 1940 to be held on any date or dates from July 1, 2022, through 1941 December 31, 2022; or 1942 9. Use of or access to private and membership clubs 1943 providing physical fitness facilities from July 1, 2022, through 1944 December 31, 2022. 1945 (b) The retail sale of boating and water activity supplies, camping supplies, fishing supplies, general outdoor 1946 1947 supplies, residential pool supplies, and sporting equipment. As 1948 used in this section, the term: 1949 1. "Boating and water activity supplies" means the first \$75 of the sales price of life jackets and coolers; the first 1950

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1951 \$35 of the sales price of recreational pool tubes, pool floats, 1952 inflatable chairs, and pool toys; the first \$50 of the sales 1953 price of safety flares; the first \$150 of the sales price of 1954 water skis, wakeboards, kneeboards, and recreational inflatable 1955 water tubes or floats capable of being towed; the first \$300 of 1956 the sales price of paddleboards and surfboards; the first \$500 1957 of the sales price of canoes and kayaks; the first \$75 of the sales price of paddles and oars; and the first \$25 of the sales 1958 1959 price of snorkels, goggles, and swimming masks. 1960 2. "Camping supplies" means the first \$200 of the sales 1961 price of tents; the first \$50 of the sales price of sleeping 1962 bags, portable hammocks, camping stoves, and collapsible camping chairs; and the first \$30 of the sales price of camping lanterns 1963 1964 and flashlights. 1965 3. "Fishing supplies" means the first \$75 of the sales 1966 price of rods and reels, if sold individually, or the first \$150 1967 of the sales price if sold as a set; the first \$30 of the sales 1968 price of tackle boxes or bags; and the first \$5 of the sale 1969 price of bait or fishing tackle, if sold individually, or the 1970 first \$10 of the sales price if multiple items are sold 1971 together. The term does not include supplies used for commercial 1972 fishing purposes. 1973 4. "General outdoor supplies" means the first \$15 of the 1974 sales price of sunscreen or insect repellant; the first \$100 of 1975 the sales price of sunglasses; the first \$200 of the sales price

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1976	of binoculars; the first \$30 of the sales price of water
1977	bottles; the first \$50 of the sales price of hydration packs;
1978	the first \$250 of the sales price of outdoor gas or charcoal
1979	grills; the first \$50 of the sales price of bicycle helmets; and
1980	the first \$250 of the sales price of bicycles.
1981	5. "Residential pool supplies" means the first \$100 of the
1982	sales price of individual residential pool and spa replacement
1983	parts, nets, filters, lights, and covers; and the first \$150 of
1984	the combined sales price of all residential pool and spa
1985	chemicals purchased by an individual.
1986	6. "Sports equipment" means any item used in individual or
1987	team sports, not including clothing or footwear, selling for \$40
1988	<u>or less per item.</u>
1989	(2) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not
1990	apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as
1991	defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, within a public
1992	lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida
1993	Statutes, or within an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2),
1994	Florida Statutes.
1995	(3) If a purchaser of an admission purchases the admission
1996	exempt from tax pursuant to this section and subsequently
1997	resells the admission, the purchaser shall collect tax on the
1998	full sales price of the resold admission.
1999	(4) The Department of Revenue is authorized, and all
2000	conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to
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2001 s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing
2002 this section.
2003 (5) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2004 <u>a law.</u>
2005 Section 46. <u>Tools commonly used by skilled trade workers;</u>
2006 <u>Tool Time sales tax holiday</u>
2007 (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes,
2008 may not be collected during the period from September 3, 2022,
2009 through September 9, 2022, on the retail sale of:
2010 (a) Hand tools selling for \$50 or less per item.
(b) Power tools selling for \$300 or less per item.
2012 (c) Power tool batteries selling for \$150 or less per
2013 <u>item.</u>
2014 (d) Work gloves selling for \$25 or less per pair.
2015 (e) Safety glasses selling for \$50 or less per pair, or
2016 the equivalent if sold in sets of more than one pair.
2017 (f) Protective coveralls selling for \$50 or less per item.
2018 (g) Work boots selling for \$175 or less per pair.
2019 (h) Tool belts selling for \$100 or less per item.
2020 (i) Duffle bags or tote bags selling for \$50 or less per
2021 <u>item.</u>
2022 (j) Tool boxes selling for \$75 or less per item.
2023 (k) Tool boxes for vehicles selling for \$300 or less per
2024 <u>item.</u>
2025 (1) Industry textbooks and code books selling for \$125 or
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2026	less per item.
2027	(m) Electrical voltage and testing equipment selling for
2028	<u>\$100 or less per item.</u>
2029	(n) LED flashlights selling for \$50 or less per item.
2030	(o) Shop lights selling for \$100 or less per item.
2031	(p) Handheld pipe cutters, drain opening tools, and
2032	plumbing inspection equipment selling for \$150 or less per item.
2033	(2) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not
2034	apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as
2035	defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, within a public
2036	lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida
2037	Statutes, or within an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2),
2038	Florida Statutes.
2039	(3) The Department of Revenue is authorized, and all
2040	conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to
2041	s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing
2042	this section.
2043	Section 47. Florida Motor Fuel Tax Relief Act of 2022
2044	(1) This section of this act may be referred to by the
2045	popular name the "Florida Motor Fuel Tax Relief Act of 2022."
2046	(2) From October 1, 2022, through October 31, 2022, the
2047	tax levied pursuant to s. 206.41(1)(b), Florida Statutes, shall
2048	be reduced by 1 cent per gallon, the tax levied pursuant to s.
2049	206.41(1)(c), Florida Statutes, shall be reduced by 1 cent per
2050	gallon, the tax levied pursuant to s. 206.41(1)(f), Florida

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2075	subsection (2) shall be reduced by the amount of the tax
2074	Statutes, for fuel purchased during the period described in
2073	(4) Refunds authorized pursuant to s. 206.41(4), Florida
2072	this act.
2071	(c) The Attorney General may investigate violations of
2070	reduced tax.
2069	equals the number of gallons sold at a price reflecting the
2068	show that the number of gallons purchased with the reduced tax
2067	if the tax reduction did not apply, if the retail dealer can
2066	fuel purchased with the tax reduction at an amount determined as
2065	determined as if the tax reduction applied and may sell motor
2064	sell motor fuel purchased without the tax reduction at an amount
2063	maximized during the month. A retail dealer of motor fuel may
2062	benefit to residents of this state of the tax reduction is
2061	may manage its motor fuel inventory in such a way that the
2060	(b) A retail dealer of motor fuel, at the dealer's option,
2059	consumer.
2058	reduction set forth in this section be passed on to the ultimate
2057	(3)(a) It is the intent of the Legislature that the tax
2056	motor fuel to retail dealers located in this state.
2055	shall charge and collect the reduced rate of tax on sales of
2054	terminal suppliers, wholesalers, and importers of motor fuel
2053	reduced by 15 cents per gallon. During this period, licensed
2052	levied pursuant to s. 206.41(1)(g), Florida Statutes, shall be
2051	Statutes, shall be reduced by 8.3 cents per gallon, and the tax

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2076	reduction set forth in that subsection.
2077	(5) The Department of Revenue is authorized, and all
2078	conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to
2079	s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing
2080	this section. Notwithstanding any other law, the emergency rules
2081	shall remain effective for 6 months after the date of adoption
2082	of the rules.
2083	(6) It is unlawful for a terminal supplier, wholesaler,
2084	importer, reseller, or retail dealer of motor fuel to retain any
2085	part of the tax reduction set forth in this act or to interfere
2086	with providing the full benefit of the tax reduction to the
2087	retail purchaser of motor fuel.
2088	(7) Contingent upon the Department of Financial Services
2089	receiving and depositing into the General Revenue Fund the
2090	second distribution of the state's allocation from the federal
2091	Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund created in Public Law No.
2092	117-2, entitled American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the following
2093	nonoperating transfers from the General Revenue Fund are
2094	authorized in the 2022-2023 fiscal year, to be made in December
2095	<u>2022:</u>
2096	(a) One hundred eighteen million and six hundred thousand
2097	dollars shall be transferred into the State Transportation Trust
2098	<u>Fund;</u>
2099	(b) Seven million and nine hundred thousand dollars shall
2100	be transferred into the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund for
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distribution as provided in s. 206.60;
(c) Seven million and nine hundred thousand dollars shall
be transferred into the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund for
distribution as provided in s. 206.605; and
(d) Sixty-five million and six hundred thousand dollars
shall be transferred into the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund for
distribution as provided in s. 206.608.
(8) This section expires July 1, 2023.
Section 48. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida
Statutes, may not be collected during the period from May 14,
2022, through August 14, 2022, on the retail sale of children's
books.
(2) As used in this section, the term "children's books"
means any fiction or nonfiction book primarily intended for
children age 12 or younger, including any board book, picture
book, beginning reader book, juvenile chapter book, or middle
grade book. It does not include books intended for, or primarily
marketed to, adults.
(3) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
<u>a law.</u>
Section 49. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida
Statutes, may not be collected during the period from July 1,
2022, through June 30, 2023, on the retail sale of a new ENERGY
STAR appliance for noncommercial use.
(2) As used in this section, the term "ENERGY STAR

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2126	appliance" means one of the following products, if such product
2127	is designated by the United States Environmental Protection
2128	Agency and the United States Department of Energy as meeting or
2129	exceeding each agency's requirements under the ENERGY STAR
2130	program, and is affixed with an ENERGY STAR label:
2131	(a) A washing machine selling for \$1,500 or less;
2132	(b) A clothes dryer selling for \$1,500 or less;
2133	(c) A water heater selling for \$1,500 or less; or
2134	(d) A refrigerator or combination refrigerator/freezer
2135	selling for \$3,000 or less.
2136	(3) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2137	a law.
2138	Section 50. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida
2139	Statutes, may not be collected during the period from July 1,
2140	2022, through June 30, 2023, on the retail sale of children's
2141	diapers, including single-use diapers, reusable diapers, and
2142	reusable diaper inserts.
2143	(2) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2144	a law.
2145	Section 51. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida
2146	Statutes, may not be collected during the period from July 1,
2147	2022, through June 30, 2023, on the retail sale of baby and
2148	toddler clothing, apparel, and shoes, primarily intended for
2149	children age 5 or younger. The terms "clothing" and "apparel"
2150	exclude watches, watchbands, jewelry, umbrellas, and

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2151	handkerchiefs.
2152	(2) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2153	a law.
2154	Section 52. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida
2155	Statutes, may not be collected during the period from July 1,
2156	2022, through June 30, 2024, on the retail sale of impact-
2157	resistant windows, impact-resistant doors, and impact-resistant
2158	garage doors.
2159	(2) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2160	a law.
2161	Section 53. (1) The Department of Revenue is authorized,
2162	and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules
2163	pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, to implement the
2164	amendments made by this act to s. 212.08; the creation by this
2165	act of ss. 197.319, 197.3195, and 220.1915, Florida Statutes;
2166	and the creation by this act of the temporary tax exemptions for
2167	ENERGY STAR appliances, children's books, children's diapers,
2168	baby and toddler clothing and shoes, and impact-resistant
2169	windows, doors, and garage doors. Notwithstanding any other
2170	provision of law, emergency rules adopted pursuant to this
2171	subsection are effective for 6 months after adoption and may be
2172	renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt permanent
2173	rules addressing the subject of the emergency rules.
2174	(2) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2175	a law and expires July 1, 2025.

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2176	Section 54. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
2177	made by this act to section 212.08, Florida Statutes, in a
2178	reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
2179	377.809, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:
2180	377.809 Energy Economic Zone Pilot Program
2181	(4)(a) Beginning July 1, 2012, all the incentives and
2182	benefits provided for enterprise zones pursuant to state law
2183	shall be available to the energy economic zones designated
2184	pursuant to this section on or before July 1, 2010. In order to
2185	provide incentives, by March 1, 2012, each local governing body
2186	that has jurisdiction over an energy economic zone must, by
2187	local ordinance, establish the boundary of the energy economic
2188	zone, specify applicable energy-efficiency standards, and
2189	determine eligibility criteria for the application of state and
2190	local incentives and benefits in the energy economic zone.
2191	However, in order to receive benefits provided under s. 288.106,
2192	a business must be a qualified target industry business under s.
2193	288.106 for state purposes. An energy economic zone's boundary
2194	may be revised by local ordinance. Such incentives and benefits
2195	include those in ss. 212.08, 212.096, 220.181, 220.182, 220.183,
2196	288.106, and 624.5105 and the public utility discounts provided
2197	in s. 290.007(8). The exemption provided in s. 212.08(5)(c)
2198	shall be for renewable energy as defined in s. 377.803. For
2199	purposes of this section, any applicable requirements for
2200	employee residency for higher refund or credit thresholds must

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be based on employee residency in the energy economic zone or an enterprise zone. A business in an energy economic zone may also be eligible for funding under ss. 288.047 and 445.003, and a transportation project in an energy economic zone shall be provided priority in funding under s. 339.2821. Other projects shall be given priority ranking to the extent practicable for grants administered under state energy programs.

2208 Section 55. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 2209 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon 2210 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2211 2022.

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