

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 04/14/2011

The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Benacquisto) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes, may not be collected during the period from 12:01 a.m. on August 12, 2011, through 11:59 p.m. on August 14, 2011, on the sale of:

(a) Clothing, wallets, or bags, including handbags, backpacks, fanny packs, and diaper bags, but excluding briefcases, suitcases, and other garment bags, having a sales price of \$75 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the

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term "clothing" means:

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- 1. Any article of wearing apparel intended to be worn on or about the human body, excluding watches, watchbands, jewelry, umbrellas, or handkerchiefs; and
- 2. All footwear, excluding skis, swim fins, roller blades, and skates.
- (b) School supplies having a sales price of \$15 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the term "school supplies" means pens, pencils, erasers, crayons, notebooks, notebook filler paper, legal pads, binders, lunch boxes, construction paper, markers, folders, poster board, composition books, poster paper, scissors, cellophane tape, glue or paste, rulers, computer disks, protractors, compasses, and calculators.
- (2) The tax exemptions in this section do not apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, a public lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida Statutes, or an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2), Florida Statutes.
- (3) The Department of Revenue may, and all conditions are deemed met to, adopt emergency rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54, Florida Statutes, to administer this section.

Section 2. For the 2010-2011 fiscal year, the sum of \$218,905 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for purposes of administering section 1. Funds remaining unexpended or unencumbered from this appropriation as of June 30, 2011, shall revert and be reappropriated for the same purpose in the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

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



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; specifying a period during this year when the sale of clothing, wallets, bags, and school supplies are exempt from the tax; providing definitions; providing exceptions; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.