

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Bogdanoff moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 28 and 29 insert:

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Section 1. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 212.0596, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

212.0596 Taxation of mail order sales.-

(1) For purposes of this chapter, a "mail order sale" is a sale of tangible personal property, ordered by mail, use of the Internet, or other means of communication, from a dealer who receives the order in another state of the United States, or in a commonwealth, territory, or other area under the jurisdiction of the United States, and transports the property or causes the

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property to be transported, whether or not by mail, from any jurisdiction of the United States, including this state, to a person in this state, including the person who ordered the property.

- (2) Every dealer as defined in s. 212.06(2)(c) who makes a mail order sale is subject to the power of this state to levy and collect the tax imposed by this chapter when:
- (a) The dealer is a corporation doing business under the laws of this state or a person domiciled in, a resident of, or a citizen of, this state;
- (b) The dealer maintains retail establishments or offices in this state, whether the mail order sales thus subject to taxation by this state result from or are related in any other way to the activities of such establishments or offices;
- (c) The dealer has agents in this state who solicit business or transact business on behalf of the dealer, whether the mail order sales thus subject to taxation by this state result from or are related in any other way to such solicitation or transaction of business, except that a printer who mails or delivers for an out-of-state print purchaser material the printer printed for it shall not be deemed to be the print purchaser's agent for purposes of this paragraph;
- (d) The property was delivered in this state in fulfillment of a sales contract that was entered into in this state, in accordance with applicable conflict of laws rules, when a person in this state accepted an offer by ordering the property;
- (e) The dealer, by purposefully or systematically exploiting the market provided by this state by any mediaassisted, media-facilitated, or media-solicited means,

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including, but not limited to, direct mail advertising, unsolicited distribution of catalogs, computer-assisted shopping, television, radio, or other electronic media, or magazine or newspaper advertisements or other media, creates nexus with this state;

- (f) Through compact or reciprocity with another jurisdiction of the United States, that jurisdiction uses its taxing power and its jurisdiction over the retailer in support of this state's taxing power;
- (d) (q) The dealer consents, expressly or by implication, to the imposition of the tax imposed by this chapter;
- (h) The dealer is subject to service of process under s. 48.181;
- (e) (i) The dealer's mail order sales are subject to the power of this state to tax sales or to require the dealer to collect use taxes under a statute or statutes of the United States;
- (f) (i) The dealer owns real property or tangible personal property that is physically in this state, except that a dealer whose only property (including property owned by an affiliate) in this state is located at the premises of a printer with which the vendor has contracted for printing, and is either a final printed product, or property which becomes a part of the final printed product, or property from which the printed product is produced, is not deemed to own such property for purposes of this paragraph;
- (g) (k) The dealer and any affiliated person that, notwithstanding its form of organization, bears the same relationship to the dealer as, while not having nexus with this

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state on any of the bases described in paragraphs (a) - (j) or paragraph (1), is a corporation that is a member of an affiliated group of corporations, as defined in s. 1504(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, whose members are includable under s. 1504(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, and whose members are eligible to file a consolidated tax return for federal corporate income tax purposes bears to and any parent or subsidiary corporation in the affiliated group; the affiliated person has nexus with this state; and: on one or more of the bases described in paragraphs (a) - (j) or paragraph (1); or

- 1. The dealer sells a similar line of products as the affiliated person and does so under the same or a similar business name;
- 2. The affiliated person uses its in-state employees or instate facilities to advertise, promote, or facilitate sales by the dealer to customers;
- 3. The affiliated person maintains an office, distribution facility, warehouse, storage place, or similar place of business in this state to facilitate the delivery of property or services sold by the dealer to the dealer's customers;
- 4. The affiliated person uses trademarks, service marks, or trade names in this state that are the same or substantially similar to those used by the dealer; or
- 5. The affiliated person delivers, installs, assembles, or performs maintenance services for the dealer's customers within this state;
- (h) The dealer has an arrangement with any person pursuant to which that person performs services in this state for the dealer's customers on behalf of the dealer, including, but not



limited to, installation, assembly, maintenance, or repair services;

(i) The dealer has an arrangement with any person, other than a common carrier, pursuant to which that person facilitates the dealer's delivery of property to customers in this state by allowing the dealer's customers to pick up property sold by the person at an office, distribution facility, warehouse, storage place, or similar place of business maintained by the dealer in this state; or

(j) (1) The dealer or the dealer's activities have sufficient connection with or relationship to this state or its residents of some type other than those described in paragraphs (a) - (i) $\frac{(a)-(k)}{(a)}$ to create nexus empowering this state to tax its mail order sales or to require the dealer to collect sales tax or accrue use tax.

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Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a dealer is not required to collect and remit sales or use tax under this subsection unless the retailer has a physical presence in this state or the activities conducted in this state on the retailer's behalf are significantly associated with the dealer's ability to establish and maintain a market for sales in this state.

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======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

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Delete line 2 and insert:



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An act relating to taxation; amending s. 212.0596, F.S.; revising the definition of "mail order sale" to include the sale of tangible personal property ordered by use of the Internet for purposes relating to the imposition and collection of the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; revising the conditions, requirements, and criteria that subject a dealer to the state's power to impose and collect the tax on sales, use, and other transactions on mail order sales; specifying that a dealer is not required to collect the tax on sales, use, and other transactions unless certain circumstances exist relating to the retailer; amending s. 212.12, F.S.;

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