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An act relating to tax exemptions; amending s. 212.08, F.S., relating to exemptions from the sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and storage tax; establishing a lower takeoff weight threshold for rotary wing aircraft qualifying for certain tax exemptions; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraphs (ee) and (rr) of subsection (7) of section 212.08, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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

(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 when that representative or employee is subsequently reimbursed by the entity. In addition, exemptions provided to any entity by this subsection do not inure to any transaction that is otherwise taxable under this chapter unless the entity has obtained a sales tax exemption certificate from the department or the entity obtains or provides other documentation as

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required by the department. Eligible purchases or leases made with such a certificate must be in strict compliance with this subsection and departmental rules, and any person who makes an exempt purchase with a certificate that is not in strict compliance with this subsection and the rules is liable for and shall pay the tax. The department may adopt rules to administer this subsection.

- (ee) Aircraft repair and maintenance labor charges.—There shall be exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter All labor charges for the repair and maintenance of qualified aircraft and, aircraft, including rotary wing aircraft, of more than 2,000 pounds maximum certified takeoff weight are exempt from the tax imposed under this chapter, and rotary wing aircraft of more than 10,000 pounds maximum certified takeoff weight. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, charges for parts and equipment furnished in connection with such labor charges are taxable.
- There shall be exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter
 Replacement engines, parts, and equipment used in the repair or
 maintenance of qualified aircraft and, aircraft, including
 rotary wing aircraft, of more than 2,000 pounds maximum
 certified takeoff weight are exempt from the tax imposed under
 this chapter if, and rotary wing aircraft of more than 10,300
 pounds maximum certified takeoff weight, when such parts or
 equipment are installed on such aircraft that is being repaired
 or maintained in this state.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.