Bill No. CS for SB 1458 Amendment No. ____ CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Senator Childers moved the following amendment: 11 12 13 Senate Amendment (with title amendment) On page 1, line 26, through 14 page 6, line 12, delete those lines 15 16 17 insert: 18 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) and 19 paragraphs (d) and (eee) of subsection (7) of section 212.08, 20 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 21 212.08 Sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, 22 and storage tax; specified exemptions. -- The sale at retail, 23 the rental, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and 24 the storage to be used or consumed in this state of the 25 following are hereby specifically exempt from the tax imposed 26 by this chapter. 27 (5) EXEMPTIONS; ACCOUNT OF USE. --28 (b) Machinery and equipment used to increase 29 productive output. --1. Industrial machinery and equipment purchased for 30 exclusive use by a new business in spaceport activities as 31 1 8:04 AM 05/03/00 s1458c1c-01j01 Bill No. <u>CS for SB 1458</u>

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defined by s. 212.02 or for use in new businesses which 1 2 manufacture, process, compound, or produce for sale items of 3 tangible personal property at fixed locations are exempt from 4 the tax imposed by this chapter upon an affirmative showing by 5 the taxpayer to the satisfaction of the department that such 6 items are used in a new business in this state. Such purchases 7 must be made prior to the date the business first begins its productive operations, and delivery of the purchased item must 8 9 be made within 12 months of that date.

10 2.a. Industrial machinery and equipment purchased for exclusive use by an expanding facility which is engaged in 11 12 spaceport activities as defined by s. 212.02 or for use in 13 expanding manufacturing facilities or plant units which manufacture, process, compound, or produce for sale items of 14 15 tangible personal property at fixed locations in this state 16 are exempt from any amount of tax imposed by this chapter in 17 excess of\$15,000\$50,000 per calendar year upon an 18 affirmative showing by the taxpayer to the satisfaction of the department that such items are used to increase the productive 19 20 output of such expanded facility or business by not less than 10 percent. 21

b. Notwithstanding any other provision of this 22 section, industrial machinery and equipment purchased for use 23 24 in expanding printing manufacturing facilities or plant units 25 that manufacture, process, compound, or produce for sale items of tangible personal property at fixed locations in this state 26 27 are exempt from any amount of tax imposed by this chapter upon 28 an affirmative showing by the taxpayer to the satisfaction of the department that such items are used to increase the 29 30 productive output of such an expanded business by not less 31 than 10 percent.

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1 To receive an exemption provided by subparagraph 3.a. 1. or subparagraph 2., a qualifying business entity shall 2 3 apply to the department for a temporary tax exemption permit. 4 The application shall state that a new business exemption or 5 expanded business exemption is being sought. Upon a tentative 6 affirmative determination by the department pursuant to 7 subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2., the department shall issue such permit. 8

b. The applicant shall be required to maintain all
necessary books and records to support the exemption. Upon
completion of purchases of qualified machinery and equipment
pursuant to subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2., the temporary
tax permit shall be delivered to the department or returned to
the department by certified or registered mail.

15 c. If, in a subsequent audit conducted by the 16 department, it is determined that the machinery and equipment 17 purchased as exempt under subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. did not meet the criteria mandated by this paragraph or if 18 commencement of production did not occur, the amount of taxes 19 20 exempted at the time of purchase shall immediately be due and 21 payable to the department by the business entity, together with the appropriate interest and penalty, computed from the 22 date of purchase, in the manner prescribed by this chapter. 23

24 d. In the event a qualifying business entity fails to 25 apply for a temporary exemption permit or if the tentative determination by the department required to obtain a temporary 26 27 exemption permit is negative, a qualifying business entity 28 shall receive the exemption provided in subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. through a refund of previously paid taxes. No 29 30 refund may be made for such taxes unless the criteria mandated 31 by subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. have been met and

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1 commencement of production has occurred.

4. The department shall promulgate rules governing applications for, issuance of, and the form of temporary tax exemption permits; provisions for recapture of taxes; and the manner and form of refund applications and may establish guidelines as to the requisites for an affirmative showing of increased productive output, commencement of production, and gualification for exemption.

The exemptions provided in subparagraphs 1. and 2. 9 5. 10 do not apply to machinery or equipment purchased or used by electric utility companies, communications companies, oil or 11 12 gas exploration or production operations, publishing firms 13 that do not export at least 50 percent of their finished 14 product out of the state, any firm subject to regulation by 15 the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, or any firm which does 16 17 not manufacture, process, compound, or produce for sale items of tangible personal property or which does not use such 18 machinery and equipment in spaceport activities as required by 19 20 this paragraph. The exemptions provided in subparagraphs 1. 21 and 2. shall apply to machinery and equipment purchased for use in phosphate or other solid minerals severance, mining, or 22 processing operations only by way of a prospective credit 23 24 against taxes due under chapter 211 for taxes paid under this 25 chapter on such machinery and equipment.

26 6. For the purposes of the exemptions provided in
27 subparagraphs 1. and 2., these terms have the following
28 meanings:

a. "Industrial machinery and equipment" means "section
38 property" as defined in s. 48(a)(1)(A) and (B)(i) of the
Internal Revenue Code, provided "industrial machinery and

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1 equipment" shall be construed by regulations adopted by the 2 Department of Revenue to mean tangible property used as an 3 integral part of spaceport activities or of the manufacturing, 4 processing, compounding, or producing for sale of items of 5 tangible personal property. Such term includes parts and 6 accessories only to the extent that the exemption thereof is 7 consistent with the provisions of this paragraph.

"Productive output" means the number of units 8 b. 9 actually produced by a single plant or operation in a single 10 continuous 12-month period, irrespective of sales. Increases 11 in productive output shall be measured by the output for 12 12 continuous months immediately following the completion of 13 installation of such machinery or equipment over the output for the 12 continuous months immediately preceding such 14 15 installation. However, if a different 12-month continuous 16 period of time would more accurately reflect the increase in 17 productive output of machinery and equipment purchased to facilitate an expansion, the increase in productive output may 18 be measured during that 12-month continuous period of time if 19 20 such time period is mutually agreed upon by the Department of 21 Revenue and the expanding business prior to the commencement of production; provided, however, in no case may such time 22 period begin later than 2 years following the completion of 23 24 installation of the new machinery and equipment. The units 25 used to measure productive output shall be physically comparable between the two periods, irrespective of sales. 26 27 7. Notwithstanding any other provision in this 28 paragraph to the contrary, in order to receive the exemption provided in this paragraph a taxpayer must register with the 29 30 WAGES Program Business Registry established by the local WAGES 31 coalition for the area in which the taxpayer is located. Such

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registration establishes a commitment on the part of the taxpayer to hire WAGES program participants to the maximum extent possible consistent with the nature of their business. (7) MISCELLANEOUS EXEMPTIONS.--(d) Feeds.--Feeds for poultry, ostriches, and livestock, including racehorses, racing greyhounds, and dairy cows, are exempt. And the title is amended as follows: On page 1, line 6, after the semicolon, insert: providing an exemption for feeds for racing greyhounds;

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