

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

The Committee on Finance and Tax (Deutch) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between line(s) 33-34

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(s) Tasting beverages. -- Vinous and alcoholic beverages provided by distributors or vendors for the purpose of "wine tasting" and "spirituous beverage tasting" as contemplated under the provisions of ss. 564.06 and 565.12, respectively, are exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter.

Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 203.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

203.01 Tax on gross receipts for utility and communications services.--

(3) The tax imposed by subsection (1) does not apply to:

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The sale or transportation to, or use of, natural gas or manufactured gas by a person eligible for an exemption under s. 212.08(7) (ee) 2. $\frac{212.08(7)(ff)}{2}$ for use as an energy source or a raw material. Possession by a seller of natural or manufactured gas or by any person providing transportation or delivery of natural or manufactured gas of a written certification by the purchaser, certifying the purchaser's entitlement to the exclusion permitted by this paragraph, relieves the seller or person providing transportation or delivery from the responsibility of remitting tax on the nontaxable amounts, and the department shall look solely to the purchaser for recovery of such tax if the department determines that the purchaser was not entitled to the exclusion. The certification must include an acknowledgment by the purchaser that it will be liable for tax pursuant to paragraph (1)(f) if the requirements for exclusion are not met.

Section 3. Subsection (5) of section 212.0515, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 212.0515 Sales from vending machines; sales to vending machine operators; special provisions; registration; penalties. --
- The provisions of this section do not apply to vending machines owned and operated by churches, synagogues, or nonprofit or charitable organizations exempt pursuant to s. 212.08(7)(y) $\frac{212.08(7)(z)}{z}$.

Section 4. Subsection (12) of section 212.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

212.06 Sales, storage, use tax; collectible from dealers; "dealer" defined; dealers to collect from purchasers; legislative intent as to scope of tax. --

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(12) In lieu of any other facts which may indicate commingling, any boat which remains in this state for more than an aggregate of 183 days in any 1-year period, except as provided in subsection (8) or s. 212.08(7)(s), is $\frac{212.08(7)(t)}{t}$, shall be presumed to be commingled with the general mass of property of this state.

Section 5. Paragraphs (a), (c), and (d) of subsection (1) of section 220.192, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

220.192 Renewable energy technologies investment tax credit.--

- DEFINITIONS. -- For purposes of this section, the term: (1)
- "Biodiesel" means biodiesel as defined in s.
- 212.08(7)(bbb) $\frac{212.08(7)(ccc)}{}$.
- "Ethanol" means ethanol as defined in s. 212.08(7)(bbb) (C) 212.08(7)(ccc).
- "Hydrogen fuel cell" means hydrogen fuel cell as defined in s. 212.08(7)(bbb) $\frac{212.08(7)(ccc)}{ccc}$.

Section 6. Paragraph (y) of subsection (8) of section 213.053, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 213.053 Confidentiality and information sharing. --
- (8) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the department may provide:
- Information relative to ss. 212.08(7)(bbb) 212.08(7)(ccc) and 220.192 to the Department of Environmental Protection for use in the conduct of its official business.

Disclosure of information under this subsection shall be pursuant to a written agreement between the executive director and the agency. Such agencies, governmental or nongovernmental, shall be bound by the same requirements of confidentiality as the

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Department of Revenue. Breach of confidentiality is a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided by s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 7. Subsection (8) of section 496.404, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

496.404 Definitions.--As used in ss. 496.401-496.424:

"Educational institutions" means those institutions and organizations described in s. 212.08(7)(bb)8. $\frac{212.08(7)(cc)8.a.}{}$ The term includes private nonprofit organizations, the purpose of which is to raise funds for schools teaching grades kindergarten through grade 12, colleges, and universities, including any nonprofit newspaper of free or paid circulation primarily on university or college campuses which holds a current exemption from federal income tax under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, any educational television or radio network or system established pursuant to s. 1001.25 or s. 1001.26, and any nonprofit television or radio station that is a part of such network or system and that holds a current exemption from federal income tax under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The term also includes a nonprofit educational cable consortium that holds a current exemption from federal income tax under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, whose primary purpose is the delivery of educational and instructional cable television programming and whose members are composed exclusively of educational organizations that hold a valid consumer certificate of exemption and that are either an educational institution as defined in this subsection or qualified as a nonprofit organization pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.



106	===== DIRECTORY CLAUSE AMENDMENT =====
107	And the directory clause is amended as follows:
108	Delete line(s) 8-9
109	and insert:
110	Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (s) of subsection (7) of
111	section 212.08, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
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114	======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =========
115	And the title is amended as follows:
116	Delete line(s) 4
117	and insert:
118	tax exemption for ostrich feed and for vinous and
119	alcoholic beverages provided for tastings; amending ss.
120	203.01, 212.0515, 212.06, 213.053, 220.192, and 496.404,
121	F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective
122	date.