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An act relating to vanpools; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; creating an exemption from the tax on sales, use, and other transactions for certain leases of passenger vehicles for commuting purposes; defining the term "vanpool lease"; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (ggg) is added to subsection (7) of section 212.08, Florida Statutes, 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.

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.

(ggg) Vanpool leases. --

- 1. A vanpool lease is exempt from the tax and surcharges imposed by this chapter.
- 2. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "vanpool lease" means a lease or license to use a passenger vehicle having a seating capacity of 7 to 15 individuals, and related equipment and services, for the primary purpose of commuting to and from work. The parties to a vanpool lease are the commuter and a lessor whose primary business is to provide vanpool vehicles or a public transit agency. The exemption provided under this paragraph applies only if sales or use tax has been paid on the acquisition or lease of the vanpooling vehicle and related equipment by the lessor, unless the lessor is exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010.