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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to taxation; amending s. 196.199, F.S.; providing an exemption from intangible tax for lessees performing a governmental, municipal, or public purpose or function; providing for retroactive application; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting certain items used to manufacture, produce, or modify aircraft engines and gas turbine engines and parts from the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Effective upon this act becoming a law, and applying retroactively to all leases of governmental property in existence as of January 1, 2012, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 196.199, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

196.199 Government property exemption.-

- (2) Property owned by the following governmental units but used by nongovernmental lessees shall only be exempt from taxation under the following conditions:
- (a) Leasehold interests in property of the United States, of the state or any of its several political subdivisions, or of municipalities, agencies, authorities, and other public bodies corporate of the state shall be exempt from ad valorem taxation and the intangible tax referenced in paragraph (b) only when the lessee serves or performs a governmental, municipal, or public purpose or function, as defined in s. 196.012(6). In all such cases, all other interests in the leased property shall also be

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exempt from ad valorem taxation. However, a leasehold interest in property of the state may not be exempted from ad valorem taxation when a nongovernmental lessee uses such property for the operation of a multipurpose hazardous waste treatment facility.

Section 2. Paragraph (hhh) 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.

(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 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

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shall pay the tax. The department may adopt rules to administer this subsection.

(hhh) Items used in manufacturing and fabricating aircraft and gas turbine engines.—Chemicals, machinery, parts, and equipment used and consumed in the manufacture or fabrication of aircraft engines and gas turbine engines, including cores, electrical discharge machining (EDM) supplies, brass electrodes, ceramic guides, reamers, grinding and deburring wheels, Norton vortex wheels, argon, nitrogen, helium, fluid abrasive cutters, solvents and soaps, boroscopes, penetrants, patterns, dies, and molds consumed in the production of castings are exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter.

Section 3. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2012.