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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the tax on severance and production of oil; amending s. 211.02, F.S.; defining the term "mature field recovery oil" and applying to such oil the tiered severance tax rates applicable to tertiary oil; amending s. 211.06, F.S.; revising the distribution of certain proceeds from the Oil and Gas Tax Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 211.02, Florida Statutes, is amended, present subsections (4) and (5) of that section are renumbered as subsections (5) and (6), respectively, and a new subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

211.02 Oil production tax; basis and rate of tax; tertiary oil and mature field recovery oil.—An excise tax is hereby levied upon every person who severs oil in the state for sale, transport, storage, profit, or commercial use. Except as otherwise provided in this part, the tax is levied on the basis of the entire production of oil in this state, including any royalty interest. Such tax shall accrue at the time the oil is severed and shall be a lien on production regardless of the place of sale, to whom sold, or by whom used, and regardless of the fact that delivery of the oil may be made outside the state.

(1) The amount of tax shall be measured by the value of the oil produced and saved or sold during a month. The value of

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oil shall be taxed at the following rates:

- (b) Tertiary oil and mature field recovery oil:
- 1. One percent of the gross value of oil on the value of oil \$60 dollars and below;
- 2. Seven percent of the gross value of oil on the value of oil above \$60 and below \$80; and
- 3. Nine percent of the gross value of oil on the value of oil \$80 and above.
- (4) As used in this section, the term "mature field recovery oil" means the barrels of oil recovered from new wells that begin production after July 1, 2012, in fields that were discovered prior to 1981.
- Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 211.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 211.06 Oil and Gas Tax Trust Fund; distribution of tax proceeds.—All taxes, interest, and penalties imposed under this part shall be collected by the department and placed in a special fund designated the "Oil and Gas Tax Trust Fund."
- (2) Beginning July 1, 1995, The remaining proceeds in the Oil and Gas Tax Trust Fund shall be distributed monthly by the department and shall be paid into the State Treasury as follows:
- (a) To the credit of the General Revenue Fund of the state:
- 1. Seventy-five percent of the proceeds from the oil production tax imposed under s. 211.02(1)(c).
- 2. <u>Sixty-three</u> <u>Sixty-seven</u> and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on small well oil, and tertiary oil, and mature field recovery oil imposed under s. 211.02(1)(a) and (b).

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3. Sixty-seven and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on gas imposed under s. 211.025.

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- 4. Sixty-seven and one-half percent of the proceeds of the tax on sulfur imposed under s. 211.026.
- (b) To the credit of the general revenue fund of the board of county commissioners of the county where produced, subject to the service charge imposed under chapter 215:
- 1. Twelve and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on oil imposed under s. 211.02(1)(c).
- 2. Twenty percent of the proceeds from the tax on small well oil, and tertiary oil, and mature field recovery oil imposed under s. 211.02(1)(a) and (b).
- 3. Twenty percent of the proceeds from the tax on gas imposed under s. 211.025.
- 4. Twenty percent of the proceeds from the tax on sulfur imposed under s. 211.026.
 - (c) To the credit of the Minerals Trust Fund:
- 1. Twelve and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on oil imposed under s. 211.02(1)(c).
- 2. Sixteen Twelve and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on small well oil, and tertiary oil, and mature field recovery oil imposed under s. 211.02(1) (a) and (b).
- 3. Twelve and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on gas imposed under s. 211.025.
- 4. Twelve and one-half percent of the proceeds from the tax on sulfur imposed under s. 211.026.
 - Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.