1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the sales and use tax; amending s. 3 212.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term 4 "retail sale"; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; conforming a 5 provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 6 212.0596, F.S.; renaming the term "mail order sale" to 7 "remote sale" and revising the definition; revising 8 conditions under which certain dealers are subject to 9 sales tax levies and collection; defining the term 10 "making a substantial number of remote sales"; 11 deleting an exemption for certain dealers from 12 collecting local option surtaxes; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 13 14 212.05965, F.S.; defining terms; providing that certain marketplace providers are subject to 15 registration, collection, and remittance requirements 16 17 for sales taxes; requiring marketplace providers to provide a certain certification to their marketplace 18 19 sellers; specifying requirements for marketplace sellers; requiring marketplace providers to allow the 20 21 Department of Revenue to examine and audit their books 22 and records; specifying the examination and audit 23 authority of the department; providing that a marketplace seller, and not the marketplace provider, 24 25 is liable for sales tax collection and remittance

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26 under certain circumstances; authorizing marketplace 27 providers and marketplace sellers to enter into 28 agreements for the recovery of certain taxes, 29 interest, and penalties; authorizing the department to 30 settle and compromise taxes, interest, or penalties 31 assessed on sales conducted through a marketplace; 32 providing construction and applicability; amending s. 33 212.06, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "dealer"; conforming provisions to changes made by the 34 35 act; amending s. 212.12, F.S.; deleting an exclusion 36 relating to certain dealers who are allowed a dealer's 37 credit for collecting tax; deleting the authority of the department's executive director to negotiate a 38 39 collection allowance with certain dealers; conforming 40 a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 41 212.18, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 212.20(4), F.S., relating to 42 43 refunds of taxes adjudicated unconstitutionally collected, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 44 45 212.0596, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 213.27, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by 46 47 the act; authorizing the department to adopt emergency 48 rules; providing for expiration of the authority; providing effective dates. 49

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51	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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53	Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subsection (14) of section
54	212.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
55	212.02 DefinitionsThe following terms and phrases when
56	used in this chapter have the meanings ascribed to them in this
57	section, except where the context clearly indicates a different
58	meaning:
59	(14)
60	(e) The term "retail sale" includes a <u>remote</u> <del>mail order</del>
61	sale $_{ au}$ as defined in s. 212.0596(1).
62	Section 2. Effective October 1, 2020, paragraph (f) is
63	added to subsection (14) of section 212.02, Florida Statutes, to
64	read:
65	212.02 DefinitionsThe following terms and phrases when
66	used in this chapter have the meanings ascribed to them in this
67	section, except where the context clearly indicates a different
68	meaning:
69	(14)
70	(f) The term "retail sale" includes a sale facilitated
71	through a marketplace as defined in s. 212.05965(1).
72	Section 3. Section 212.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to
73	read:
74	212.05 Sales, storage, use tax.—It is hereby declared to
75	be the legislative intent that every person is exercising a

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taxable privilege who engages in the business of selling tangible personal property at retail in this state, including the business of making <u>remote mail order sales;</u> or who rents or furnishes any of the things or services taxable under this chapter:  $\tau$  or who stores for use or consumption in this state any item or article of tangible personal property as defined herein and who leases or rents such property within the state.

83 (1) For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied on
84 each taxable transaction or incident, which tax is due and
85 payable as follows:

86 (a)1.a. At the rate of 6 percent of the sales price of 87 each item or article of tangible personal property when sold at 88 retail in this state, computed on each taxable sale for the 89 purpose of remitting the amount of tax due the state, and 90 including each and every retail sale.

Each occasional or isolated sale of an aircraft, boat, 91 b. 92 mobile home, or motor vehicle of a class or type which is 93 required to be registered, licensed, titled, or documented in 94 this state or by the United States Government shall be subject 95 to tax at the rate provided in this paragraph. The department 96 shall by rule adopt any nationally recognized publication for valuation of used motor vehicles as the reference price list for 97 any used motor vehicle which is required to be licensed pursuant 98 to s. 320.08(1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (c), or (e), or (9). If any 99 100 party to an occasional or isolated sale of such a vehicle

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reports to the tax collector a sales price which is less than 80 101 102 percent of the average loan price for the specified model and 103 year of such vehicle as listed in the most recent reference 104 price list, the tax levied under this paragraph shall be 105 computed by the department on such average loan price unless the 106 parties to the sale have provided to the tax collector an 107 affidavit signed by each party, or other substantial proof, 108 stating the actual sales price. Any party to such sale who 109 reports a sales price less than the actual sales price is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in 110 s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. The department shall collect or 111 112 attempt to collect from such party any delinquent sales taxes. 113 In addition, such party shall pay any tax due and any penalty 114 and interest assessed plus a penalty equal to twice the amount 115 of the additional tax owed. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of Revenue may waive or compromise any 116 117 penalty imposed pursuant to this subparagraph.

118 This paragraph does not apply to the sale of a boat or 2. 119 aircraft by or through a registered dealer under this chapter to a purchaser who, at the time of taking delivery, is a 120 121 nonresident of this state, does not make his or her permanent 122 place of abode in this state, and is not engaged in carrying on in this state any employment, trade, business, or profession in 123 124 which the boat or aircraft will be used in this state, or is a 125 corporation none of the officers or directors of which is a

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126 resident of, or makes his or her permanent place of abode in, 127 this state, or is a noncorporate entity that has no individual 128 vested with authority to participate in the management, 129 direction, or control of the entity's affairs who is a resident 130 of, or makes his or her permanent abode in, this state. For 131 purposes of this exemption, either a registered dealer acting on his or her own behalf as seller, a registered dealer acting as 132 133 broker on behalf of a seller, or a registered dealer acting as 134 broker on behalf of the purchaser may be deemed to be the 135 selling dealer. This exemption shall not be allowed unless:

The purchaser removes a qualifying boat, as described 136 a. 137 in sub-subparagraph f., from the state within 90 days after the date of purchase or extension, or the purchaser removes a 138 139 nonqualifying boat or an aircraft from this state within 10 days 140 after the date of purchase or, when the boat or aircraft is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of the 141 142 repairs or alterations; or if the aircraft will be registered in 143 a foreign jurisdiction and:

(I) Application for the aircraft's registration is
properly filed with a civil airworthiness authority of a foreign
jurisdiction within 10 days after the date of purchase;

(II) The purchaser removes the aircraft from the state to a foreign jurisdiction within 10 days after the date the aircraft is registered by the applicable foreign airworthiness authority; and

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151 The aircraft is operated in the state solely to (III)152 remove it from the state to a foreign jurisdiction. 153 154 For purposes of this sub-subparagraph, the term "foreign 155 jurisdiction" means any jurisdiction outside of the United 156 States or any of its territories; 157 b. The purchaser, within 30 days from the date of 158 departure, provides the department with written proof that the purchaser licensed, registered, titled, or documented the boat 159 or aircraft outside the state. If such written proof is 160 unavailable, within 30 days the purchaser shall provide proof 161 162 that the purchaser applied for such license, title, registration, or documentation. The purchaser shall forward to 163 164 the department proof of title, license, registration, or 165 documentation upon receipt; The purchaser, within 10 days of removing the boat or 166 с. 167 aircraft from Florida, furnishes the department with proof of 168 removal in the form of receipts for fuel, dockage, slippage, 169 tie-down, or hangaring from outside of Florida. The information

170 so provided must clearly and specifically identify the boat or 171 aircraft;

d. The selling dealer, within 5 days of the date of sale, provides to the department a copy of the sales invoice, closing statement, bills of sale, and the original affidavit signed by the purchaser attesting that he or she has read the provisions

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176 of this section; 177 The seller makes a copy of the affidavit a part of his e. 178 or her record for as long as required by s. 213.35; and 179 Unless the nonresident purchaser of a boat of 5 net f. 180 tons of admeasurement or larger intends to remove the boat from 181 this state within 10 days after the date of purchase or when the 182 boat is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of 183 the repairs or alterations, the nonresident purchaser applies to 184 the selling dealer for a decal which authorizes 90 days after the date of purchase for removal of the boat. The nonresident 185 purchaser of a qualifying boat may apply to the selling dealer 186 187 within 60 days after the date of purchase for an extension decal 188 that authorizes the boat to remain in this state for an 189 additional 90 days, but not more than a total of 180 days, 190 before the nonresident purchaser is required to pay the tax 191 imposed by this chapter. The department is authorized to issue 192 decals in advance to dealers. The number of decals issued in advance to a dealer shall be consistent with the volume of the 193 194 dealer's past sales of boats which qualify under this sub-195 subparagraph. The selling dealer or his or her agent shall mark 196 and affix the decals to qualifying boats in the manner 197 prescribed by the department, before delivery of the boat. The department is hereby authorized to charge dealers 198 (I) a fee sufficient to recover the costs of decals issued, except 199

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the extension decal shall cost \$425.

(II) The proceeds from the sale of decals will bedeposited into the administrative trust fund.

(III) Decals shall display information to identify the
boat as a qualifying boat under this sub-subparagraph,
including, but not limited to, the decal's date of expiration.

(IV) The department is authorized to require dealers who purchase decals to file reports with the department and may prescribe all necessary records by rule. All such records are subject to inspection by the department.

210 Any dealer or his or her agent who issues a decal (V) 211 falsely, fails to affix a decal, mismarks the expiration date of 212 a decal, or fails to properly account for decals will be 213 considered prima facie to have committed a fraudulent act to 214 evade the tax and will be liable for payment of the tax plus a 215 mandatory penalty of 200 percent of the tax, and shall be liable 216 for fine and punishment as provided by law for a conviction of a 217 misdemeanor of the first degree, as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 218

(VI) Any nonresident purchaser of a boat who removes a decal before permanently removing the boat from the state, or defaces, changes, modifies, or alters a decal in a manner affecting its expiration date before its expiration, or who causes or allows the same to be done by another, will be considered prima facie to have committed a fraudulent act to evade the tax and will be liable for payment of the tax plus a

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226 mandatory penalty of 200 percent of the tax, and shall be liable 227 for fine and punishment as provided by law for a conviction of a 228 misdemeanor of the first degree, as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 229 775.083.

(VII) The department is authorized to adopt rules
necessary to administer and enforce this subparagraph and to
publish the necessary forms and instructions.

(VIII) The department is hereby authorized to adopt
emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4) to administer and
enforce the provisions of this subparagraph.

237 If the purchaser fails to remove the qualifying boat from this 238 state within the maximum 180 days after purchase or a 239 nonqualifying boat or an aircraft from this state within 10 days 240 after purchase or, when the boat or aircraft is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of such repairs or 241 242 alterations, or permits the boat or aircraft to return to this 243 state within 6 months from the date of departure, except as 244 provided in s. 212.08(7)(fff), or if the purchaser fails to 245 furnish the department with any of the documentation required by 246 this subparagraph within the prescribed time period, the purchaser shall be liable for use tax on the cost price of the 247 boat or aircraft and, in addition thereto, payment of a penalty 248 to the Department of Revenue equal to the tax payable. This 249 250 penalty shall be in lieu of the penalty imposed by s. 212.12(2).

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The maximum 180-day period following the sale of a qualifying boat tax-exempt to a nonresident may not be tolled for any reason.

254 At the rate of 6 percent of the cost price of each (b) 255 item or article of tangible personal property when the same is 256 not sold but is used, consumed, distributed, or stored for use 257 or consumption in this state; however, for tangible property 258 originally purchased exempt from tax for use exclusively for 259 lease and which is converted to the owner's own use, tax may be 260 paid on the fair market value of the property at the time of conversion. If the fair market value of the property cannot be 261 262 determined, use tax at the time of conversion shall be based on the owner's acquisition cost. Under no circumstances may the 263 264 aggregate amount of sales tax from leasing the property and use 265 tax due at the time of conversion be less than the total sales 266 tax that would have been due on the original acquisition cost 267 paid by the owner.

(c) At the rate of 6 percent of the gross proceeds derived from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, as defined herein; however, the following special provisions apply to the lease or rental of motor vehicles:

272 1. When a motor vehicle is leased or rented for a period273 of less than 12 months:

a. If the motor vehicle is rented in Florida, the entire amount of such rental is taxable, even if the vehicle is dropped

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276 off in another state.

277 If the motor vehicle is rented in another state and b. 278 dropped off in Florida, the rental is exempt from Florida tax. 279 Except as provided in subparagraph 3., for the lease or 2. 280 rental of a motor vehicle for a period of not less than 12 281 months, sales tax is due on the lease or rental payments if the 282 vehicle is registered in this state; provided, however, that no 283 tax shall be due if the taxpayer documents use of the motor 284 vehicle outside this state and tax is being paid on the lease or 285 rental payments in another state.

The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply to the 286 3. 287 lease or rental of a commercial motor vehicle as defined in s. 288 316.003(13)(a) to one lessee or rentee for a period of not less 289 than 12 months when tax was paid on the purchase price of such 290 vehicle by the lessor. To the extent tax was paid with respect 291 to the purchase of such vehicle in another state, territory of 292 the United States, or the District of Columbia, the Florida tax 293 payable shall be reduced in accordance with the provisions of s. 294 212.06(7). This subparagraph shall only be available when the 295 lease or rental of such property is an established business or 296 part of an established business or the same is incidental or germane to such business. 297

(d) At the rate of 6 percent of the lease or rental price
paid by a lessee or rentee, or contracted or agreed to be paid
by a lessee or rentee, to the owner of the tangible personal

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301 property.

302 (e)1. At the rate of 6 percent on charges for:

a. Prepaid calling arrangements. The tax on charges for
prepaid calling arrangements shall be collected at the time of
sale and remitted by the selling dealer.

306 (I) "Prepaid calling arrangement" has the same meaning as 307 provided in s. 202.11.

(II) If the sale or recharge of the prepaid calling arrangement does not take place at the dealer's place of business, it shall be deemed to have taken place at the customer's shipping address or, if no item is shipped, at the customer's address or the location associated with the customer's mobile telephone number.

(III) The sale or recharge of a prepaid calling arrangement shall be treated as a sale of tangible personal property for purposes of this chapter, regardless of whether a tangible item evidencing such arrangement is furnished to the purchaser, and such sale within this state subjects the selling dealer to the jurisdiction of this state for purposes of this subsection.

(IV) No additional tax under this chapter or chapter 202 is due or payable if a purchaser of a prepaid calling arrangement who has paid tax under this chapter on the sale or recharge of such arrangement applies one or more units of the prepaid calling arrangement to obtain communications services as

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described in s. 202.11(9)(b)3., other services that are not communications services, or products.

328 b. The installation of telecommunication and telegraphic329 equipment.

c. Electrical power or energy, except that the tax rate
for charges for electrical power or energy is 4.35 percent.
Charges for electrical power and energy do not include taxes
imposed under ss. 166.231 and 203.01(1)(a)3.

334 2. Section 212.17(3), regarding credit for tax paid on charges subsequently found to be worthless, is equally 335 336 applicable to any tax paid under this section on charges for 337 prepaid calling arrangements, telecommunication or telegraph services, or electric power subsequently found to be 338 339 uncollectible. As used in this paragraph, the term "charges" 340 does not include any excise or similar tax levied by the Federal 341 Government, a political subdivision of this state, or a 342 municipality upon the purchase, sale, or recharge of prepaid 343 calling arrangements or upon the purchase or sale of 344 telecommunication, television system program, or telegraph 345 service or electric power, which tax is collected by the seller 346 from the purchaser.

(f) At the rate of 6 percent on the sale, rental, use, consumption, or storage for use in this state of machines and equipment, and parts and accessories therefor, used in manufacturing, processing, compounding, producing, mining, or

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351 quarrying personal property for sale or to be used in furnishing 352 communications, transportation, or public utility services.

353 (g)1. At the rate of 6 percent on the retail price of354 newspapers and magazines sold or used in Florida.

355 2. Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, 356 inserts of printed materials which are distributed with a 357 newspaper or magazine are a component part of the newspaper or 358 magazine, and neither the sale nor use of such inserts is 359 subject to tax when:

a. Printed by a newspaper or magazine publisher or
commercial printer and distributed as a component part of a
newspaper or magazine, which means that the items after being
printed are delivered directly to a newspaper or magazine
publisher by the printer for inclusion in editions of the
distributed newspaper or magazine;

366 b. Such publications are labeled as part of the designated 367 newspaper or magazine publication into which they are to be 368 inserted; and

369 c. The purchaser of the insert presents a resale
370 certificate to the vendor stating that the inserts are to be
371 distributed as a component part of a newspaper or magazine.

(h)1. A tax is imposed at the rate of 4 percent on the charges for the use of coin-operated amusement machines. The tax shall be calculated by dividing the gross receipts from such charges for the applicable reporting period by a divisor,

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376 determined as provided in this subparagraph, to compute gross 377 taxable sales, and then subtracting gross taxable sales from 378 gross receipts to arrive at the amount of tax due. For counties 379 that do not impose a discretionary sales surtax, the divisor is 380 equal to 1.04; for counties that impose a 0.5 percent 381 discretionary sales surtax, the divisor is equal to 1.045; for 382 counties that impose a 1 percent discretionary sales surtax, the 383 divisor is equal to 1.050; and for counties that impose a 2 percent sales surtax, the divisor is equal to 1.060. If a county 384 385 imposes a discretionary sales surtax that is not listed in this 386 subparagraph, the department shall make the applicable divisor 387 available in an electronic format or otherwise. Additional 388 divisors shall bear the same mathematical relationship to the 389 next higher and next lower divisors as the new surtax rate bears 390 to the next higher and next lower surtax rates for which 391 divisors have been established. When a machine is activated by a 392 slug, token, coupon, or any similar device which has been 393 purchased, the tax is on the price paid by the user of the 394 device for such device.

395 2. As used in this paragraph, the term "operator" means 396 any person who possesses a coin-operated amusement machine for 397 the purpose of generating sales through that machine and who is 398 responsible for removing the receipts from the machine.

a. If the owner of the machine is also the operator of it,400 he or she shall be liable for payment of the tax without any

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401 deduction for rent or a license fee paid to a location owner for 402 the use of any real property on which the machine is located.

b. If the owner or lessee of the machine is also its
operator, he or she shall be liable for payment of the tax on
the purchase or lease of the machine, as well as the tax on
sales generated through the machine.

407 c. If the proprietor of the business where the machine is 408 located does not own the machine, he or she shall be deemed to 409 be the lessee and operator of the machine and is responsible for 410 the payment of the tax on sales, unless such responsibility is 411 otherwise provided for in a written agreement between him or her 412 and the machine owner.

413 3.a. An operator of a coin-operated amusement machine may 414 not operate or cause to be operated in this state any such 415 machine until the operator has registered with the department 416 and has conspicuously displayed an identifying certificate 417 issued by the department. The identifying certificate shall be 418 issued by the department upon application from the operator. The 419 identifying certificate shall include a unique number, and the 420 certificate shall be permanently marked with the operator's 421 name, the operator's sales tax number, and the maximum number of 422 machines to be operated under the certificate. An identifying certificate shall not be transferred from one operator to 423 424 another. The identifying certificate must be conspicuously 425 displayed on the premises where the coin-operated amusement

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426 machines are being operated.

427 The operator of the machine must obtain an identifying b. 428 certificate before the machine is first operated in the state 429 and by July 1 of each year thereafter. The annual fee for each 430 certificate shall be based on the number of machines identified 431 on the application times \$30 and is due and payable upon 432 application for the identifying device. The application shall 433 contain the operator's name, sales tax number, business address 434 where the machines are being operated, and the number of 435 machines in operation at that place of business by the operator. 436 No operator may operate more machines than are listed on the 437 certificate. A new certificate is required if more machines are 438 being operated at that location than are listed on the 439 certificate. The fee for the new certificate shall be based on 440 the number of additional machines identified on the application 441 form times \$30.

442 c. A penalty of \$250 per machine is imposed on the 443 operator for failing to properly obtain and display the required 444 identifying certificate. A penalty of \$250 is imposed on the 445 lessee of any machine placed in a place of business without a 446 proper current identifying certificate. Such penalties shall 447 apply in addition to all other applicable taxes, interest, and 448 penalties.

d. Operators of coin-operated amusement machines mustobtain a separate sales and use tax certificate of registration

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451 for each county in which such machines are located. One sales 452 and use tax certificate of registration is sufficient for all of 453 the operator's machines within a single county.

454 4. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to coin-455 operated amusement machines owned and operated by churches or 456 synagogues.

457 5. In addition to any other penalties imposed by this
458 chapter, a person who knowingly and willfully violates any
459 provision of this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the second
460 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

461 6. The department may adopt rules necessary to administer462 the provisions of this paragraph.

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(i)1. At the rate of 6 percent on charges for all:

464 Detective, burglar protection, and other protection a. 465 services (NAICS National Numbers 561611, 561612, 561613, and 466 561621). Fingerprint services required under s. 790.06 or s. 467 790.062 are not subject to the tax. Any law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10, who is performing approved duties as 468 469 determined by his or her local law enforcement agency in his or 470 her capacity as a law enforcement officer, and who is subject to 471 the direct and immediate command of his or her law enforcement 472 agency, and in the law enforcement officer's uniform as authorized by his or her law enforcement agency, is performing 473 474 law enforcement and public safety services and is not performing 475 detective, burglar protection, or other protective services, if

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476 the law enforcement officer is performing his or her approved 477 duties in a geographical area in which the law enforcement 478 officer has arrest jurisdiction. Such law enforcement and public 479 safety services are not subject to tax irrespective of whether the duty is characterized as "extra duty," "off-duty," or 480 481 "secondary employment," and irrespective of whether the officer 482 is paid directly or through the officer's agency by an outside source. The term "law enforcement officer" includes full-time or 483 part-time law enforcement officers, and any auxiliary law 484 485 enforcement officer, when such auxiliary law enforcement officer is working under the direct supervision of a full-time or part-486 487 time law enforcement officer.

b. Nonresidential cleaning, excluding cleaning of the
interiors of transportation equipment, and nonresidential
building pest control services (NAICS National Numbers 561710
and 561720).

492 2. As used in this paragraph, "NAICS" means those
493 classifications contained in the North American Industry
494 Classification System, as published in 2007 by the Office of
495 Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.

496 3. Charges for detective, burglar protection, and other 497 protection security services performed in this state but used 498 outside this state are exempt from taxation. Charges for 499 detective, burglar protection, and other protection security 500 services performed outside this state and used in this state are

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501 subject to tax.

502 If a transaction involves both the sale or use of a 4. 503 service taxable under this paragraph and the sale or use of a 504 service or any other item not taxable under this chapter, the 505 consideration paid must be separately identified and stated with 506 respect to the taxable and exempt portions of the transaction or 507 the entire transaction shall be presumed taxable. The burden 508 shall be on the seller of the service or the purchaser of the 509 service, whichever applicable, to overcome this presumption by 510 providing documentary evidence as to which portion of the transaction is exempt from tax. The department is authorized to 511 512 adjust the amount of consideration identified as the taxable and exempt portions of the transaction; however, a determination 513 514 that the taxable and exempt portions are inaccurately stated and 515 that the adjustment is applicable must be supported by substantial competent evidence. 516

517 5. Each seller of services subject to sales tax pursuant 518 to this paragraph shall maintain a monthly log showing each 519 transaction for which sales tax was not collected because the 520 services meet the requirements of subparagraph 3. for out-ofstate use. The log must identify the purchaser's name, location 521 522 and mailing address, and federal employer identification number, if a business, or the social security number, if an individual, 523 524 the service sold, the price of the service, the date of sale, 525 the reason for the exemption, and the sales invoice number. The

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526 monthly log shall be maintained pursuant to the same 527 requirements and subject to the same penalties imposed for the 528 keeping of similar records pursuant to this chapter. 529 (j)1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, 530 there is hereby levied a tax on the sale, use, consumption, or 531 storage for use in this state of any coin or currency, whether 532 in circulation or not, when such coin or currency: 533 Is not legal tender; a. If legal tender, is sold, exchanged, or traded at a 534 b. 535 rate in excess of its face value; or Is sold, exchanged, or traded at a rate based on its 536 с. 537 precious metal content. Such tax shall be at a rate of 6 percent of the price 538 2. 539 at which the coin or currency is sold, exchanged, or traded, 540 except that, with respect to a coin or currency which is legal 541 tender of the United States and which is sold, exchanged, or 542 traded, such tax shall not be levied. 543 There are exempt from this tax exchanges of coins or 3. 544 currency which are in general circulation in, and legal tender 545 of, one nation for coins or currency which are in general 546 circulation in, and legal tender of, another nation when 547 exchanged solely for use as legal tender and at an exchange rate based on the relative value of each as a medium of exchange. 548 With respect to any transaction that involves the sale 549 4. 550 of coins or currency taxable under this paragraph in which the

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taxable amount represented by the sale of such coins or currency exceeds \$500, the entire amount represented by the sale of such coins or currency is exempt from the tax imposed under this paragraph. The dealer must maintain proper documentation, as prescribed by rule of the department, to identify that portion of a transaction which involves the sale of coins or currency and is exempt under this subparagraph.

(k) At the rate of 6 percent of the sales price of each gallon of diesel fuel not taxed under chapter 206 purchased for use in a vessel, except dyed diesel fuel that is exempt pursuant to s. 212.08(4)(a)4.

(1) Florists located in this state are liable for sales tax on sales to retail customers regardless of where or by whom the items sold are to be delivered. Florists located in this state are not liable for sales tax on payments received from other florists for items delivered to customers in this state.

(m) Operators of game concessions or other concessionaires who customarily award tangible personal property as prizes may, in lieu of paying tax on the cost price of such property, pay tax on 25 percent of the gross receipts from such concession activity.

572 (2) The tax shall be collected by the dealer, as defined 573 herein, and remitted by the dealer to the state at the time and 574 in the manner as hereinafter provided.

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(3) The tax so levied is in addition to all other taxes,

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576 whether levied in the form of excise, license, or privilege 577 taxes, and in addition to all other fees and taxes levied. 578 (4) The tax imposed pursuant to this chapter shall be due

578 (4) The tax imposed pursuant to this chapter shall be due 579 and payable according to the brackets set forth in s. 212.12.

(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the maximum amount of tax imposed under this chapter and collected on each sale or use of a boat in this state may not exceed \$18,000 and on each repair of a boat in this state may not exceed \$60,000.

585 Section 4. Section 212.0596, Florida Statutes, is amended 586 to read:

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212.0596 Taxation of remote mail order sales.-

588 (1) For purposes of this chapter, a "remote mail order 589 sale" means is a retail sale of tangible personal property<sub>au</sub> 590 ordered by mail, telephone, the Internet, or other means of 591  $\operatorname{communication}_{\mathcal{T}}$  from a dealer who receives the order outside of 592 this state in another state of the United States, or in a 593 commonwealth, territory, or other area under the jurisdiction of 594 the United States, and transports the property or causes the 595 property to be transported, whether or not by mail, from any 596 jurisdiction of the United States, including this state, to a 597 person in this state, including the person who ordered the 598 property.

599 (2) Every dealer as defined in s. 212.06(2)(c) who makes a
 600 remote mail order sale is subject to the power of this state to

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601 levy and collect the tax imposed by this chapter when <u>any of the</u> 602 following applies:

603 (a) The dealer is a corporation doing business under the 604 laws of this state or <u>is</u> a person domiciled in, a resident of, 605 or a citizen of  $\tau$  this state. $\tau$ 

(b) The dealer maintains retail establishments or offices
in this state, <u>regardless of</u> whether the <u>remote</u> mail order sales
thus subject to taxation by this state result from or are
related in any other way to the activities of such
establishments or offices.+

The dealer has agents in this state who solicit 611 (C) 612 business or transact business on behalf of the dealer, 613 regardless of whether the remote mail order sales thus subject 614 to taxation by this state result from or are related in any 615 other way to such solicitation or transaction of business. For 616 purposes of this paragraph, except that a printer who mails or 617 delivers for an out-of-state print purchaser material the 618 printer printed by the printer for the purchaser is it shall not 619 be deemed to be the print purchaser's agent. for purposes of 620 this paragraph;

(d) The property was delivered in this state in fulfillment of a sales contract that was entered into in this state, in accordance with applicable conflict of laws rules, when a person in this state accepted an offer by ordering the property.;

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The dealer, by purposefully or systematically 626 (e) 627 exploiting the market provided by this state by any media-628 assisted, media-facilitated, or media-solicited means, 629 including, but not limited to, direct mail advertising, 630 unsolicited distribution of catalogs, computer-assisted 631 shopping, television, radio, or other electronic media, or 632 magazine or newspaper advertisements or other media, creates 633 nexus with this state.+ Through compact or reciprocity with another 634 (f) 635 jurisdiction of the United States, that jurisdiction uses its taxing power and its jurisdiction over the retailer in support 636 637 of this state's taxing power. + The dealer consents, expressly or by implication, to 638 (g) 639 the imposition of the tax imposed by this chapter.; 640 The dealer is subject to service of process under s. (h) 641 48.181.<del>;</del> 642 (i) The dealer's remote mail order sales are subject to 643 the power of this state to tax sales or to require the dealer to 644 collect use taxes under a statute or statutes of the United 645 States.<del>;</del> The dealer owns real property or tangible personal 646 (j) property that is physically in this state. For purposes of this 647 paragraph, except that a dealer whose only property, (including 648 property owned by an affiliate, + in this state is located at the 649 650 premises of a printer with which the vendor has contracted for

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651 printing, and is either a final printed product, or 652 <u>that</u> which becomes a part of the final printed product, or 653 property from which the printed product is produced, is not 654 deemed to own such property. for purposes of this paragraph;

655 The dealer, while not having nexus with this state on (k) 656 any of the bases described in paragraphs (a)-(j) or paragraph 657 (1), is a corporation that is a member of an affiliated group of 658 corporations, as defined in s. 1504(a) of the Internal Revenue 659 Code, whose members are includable under s. 1504(b) of the 660 Internal Revenue Code and whose members are eligible to file a 661 consolidated tax return for federal corporate income tax 662 purposes and any parent or subsidiary corporation in the 663 affiliated group has nexus with this state on one or more of the 664 bases described in paragraphs (a)-(j) or paragraph (l).; or

(1) The dealer or the dealer's activities, have sufficient
connection with or relationship to this state or its residents
of some type other than those described in paragraphs (a)-(k),
result in making a substantial number of remote sales under
subsection (3) to create nexus empowering this state to tax its
mail order sales or to require the dealer to collect sales tax
or accrue use tax.

(3) (a) Every person dealer engaged in the business of
making a substantial number of remote mail order sales is a
dealer for purposes of this chapter subject to the requirements
of this chapter for cooperation of dealers in collection of

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676	taxes and in administration of this chapter, except that no fee
677	shall be imposed upon such dealer for carrying out any required
678	activity.
679	(b) As used in this section, the term "making a
680	substantial number of remote sales" means:
681	1. Conducting 200 or more retail sales of tangible
682	personal property in the previous calendar year to be delivered
683	to a location within this state; or
684	2. Conducting any number of retail sales of tangible
685	personal property in an amount exceeding \$100,000 in the
686	previous calendar year to be delivered to a location within this
687	state.
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689	For purposes of this paragraph, tangible personal property
690	delivered to a location within this state is presumed to be
691	used, consumed, distributed, or stored to be used or consumed in
692	this state.
693	(4) The department shall, with the consent of another
694	jurisdiction of the United States whose cooperation is needed,
695	enforce this chapter in that jurisdiction, either directly or,
696	at the option of that jurisdiction, through its officers or
697	employees.
698	(5) The tax required under this section to be collected
699	and any amount unreturned to a purchaser that is not tax but was
700	collected from the purchaser under the representation that it
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701 was tax constitute funds of the State of Florida from the moment 702 of collection.

703 (6) Notwithstanding other provisions of law, a dealer who 704 makes a mail order sale in this state is exempt from collecting 705 and remitting any local option surtax on the sale, unless the 706 dealer is located in a county that imposes a surtax within the 707 meaning of s. 212.054(3)(a), the order is placed through the 708 dealer's location in such county, and the property purchased is 709 delivered into such county or into another county in this state 710 that levies the surtax, in which case the provisions of 711 212.054(3)(a) are applicable.

712 (7) The department may establish by rule procedures for 713 collecting the use tax from unregistered persons who but for 714 their <u>remote</u> mail order purchases would not be required to remit 715 sales or use tax directly to the department. The procedures may 716 provide for waiver of registration, provisions for irregular 717 remittance of tax, elimination of the collection allowance, and 718 nonapplication of local option surtaxes.

719 Section 5. Effective October 1, 2020, section 212.05965,
720 Florida Statutes, is created to read:

721 722 212.05965 Taxation of marketplace sales.-

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) "Marketplace" means any physical place or electronic
 medium through which tangible personal property is offered for
 sale.

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726 "Marketplace provider" means a person who facilitates (b) 727 a retail sale by a marketplace seller by listing or advertising 728 for sale on behalf of the marketplace seller tangible personal 729 property in a marketplace, and who directly, or indirectly 730 through agreements or arrangements with third parties, collects 731 payment from the customer and transmits the payment to the 732 marketplace seller, regardless of whether the marketplace 733 provider receives compensation or other consideration in 734 exchange for its services. 735 1. The term does not include a person who solely provides 736 travel agency services. As used in this subparagraph, the term 737 "travel agency services" means arranging, booking, or otherwise 738 facilitating for a commission, fee, or other consideration 739 vacation or travel packages, rental cars, or other travel 740 reservations; tickets for domestic or foreign travel by air, 741 rail, ship, bus, or other mode of transportation; or hotel or 742 other lodging accommodations. 743 2. The term does not include a person who is a delivery 744 network company unless the delivery network company is a 745 registered dealer for purposes of this chapter and the delivery network company notifies all local merchants that sell through 746 747 the delivery network company's website or mobile application 748 that the delivery network company is subject to the requirements 749 of a marketplace provider under this section. As used in this 750 subparagraph, the term:

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751	a. "Delivery network company" means a person who maintains
752	a website or mobile application to facilitate delivery services,
753	the sale of local products, or both.
754	b. "Delivery network courier" means an individual who
755	provides delivery services through a delivery network company
756	website or mobile application using a personal means of
757	transportation, such as a motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01,
758	bicycle, scooter, or other similar means of transportation;
759	using public transportation; or by walking.
760	c. "Delivery services" means the pickup by a delivery
761	network courier of one or more local products from a local
762	merchant and delivery to a customer, and may include the
763	selection, collection, and purchase of the local product in
764	connection with the delivery. The term does not include a
765	delivery requiring more than 75 miles of travel from the local
766	merchant to the customer.
767	d. "Local merchant" means a kitchen, restaurant, or third-
768	party merchant, including a grocery store, retail store,
769	convenience store, or business of another type, which is not
770	under common ownership or control of the delivery network
771	company.
772	e. "Local product" means any tangible personal property,
773	including food, but excluding freight, mail, or a package to
774	which postage has been affixed.
775	(c) "Marketplace seller" means a person who has an
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776	agreement with a marketplace provider and who makes retail sales
777	of tangible personal property through a marketplace owned,
778	operated, or controlled by the marketplace provider.
779	(2) Every marketplace provider who has a physical presence
780	in this state or who makes or facilitates through a marketplace
781	a substantial number of remote sales as defined in s.
782	212.0596(3)(b) is subject to the requirements imposed by this
783	chapter on dealers for registration and for the collection and
784	remittance of taxes.
785	(3) A marketplace provider shall certify to his or her
786	marketplace sellers that he or she will collect and remit the
787	tax imposed under this chapter on taxable retail sales made
788	through the marketplace. Such certification may be included in
789	the agreement between the marketplace provider and marketplace
790	seller.
791	(4) (a) A marketplace seller may not collect and remit the
792	tax under this chapter on a taxable retail sale when the sale is
793	made through the marketplace and the marketplace provider
794	certifies, as required under subsection (3), that he or she will
795	collect and remit such tax. A marketplace seller shall exclude
796	such sales made through the marketplace from the marketplace
797	seller's tax return under s. 212.11.
798	(b)1. A marketplace seller who has a physical presence in
799	this state shall register and shall collect and remit the tax
800	imposed under this chapter on all taxable retail sales made

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801 outside of the marketplace. 802 2. A marketplace seller who makes a substantial number of 803 remote sales as defined in s. 212.0596(3)(b) must register and 804 collect and remit the tax imposed under this chapter on all 805 taxable retail sales made outside of the marketplace. Sales made 806 through the marketplace are not considered for the purposes of 807 determining whether the seller has made a substantial number of 808 remote sales. 809 (5) (a) A marketplace provider shall allow the department 810 to examine and audit its books and records pursuant to s. 212.13. For retail sales facilitated through a marketplace, the 811 812 department may not examine or audit the books and records of 813 marketplace sellers, nor may the department assess marketplace 814 sellers except to the extent the marketplace provider seeks 815 relief under paragraph (b). The department may examine, audit, 816 and assess a marketplace seller for retail sales made outside of 817 the marketplace under paragraph (4)(b). 818 (b) The marketplace provider is relieved of liability for 819 the tax on the retail sale and the marketplace seller or 820 customer is liable for the tax imposed under this chapter if the 821 marketplace provider demonstrates to the department's 822 satisfaction that the marketplace provider made a reasonable 823 effort to obtain accurate information related to the retail 824 sales facilitated through the marketplace from the marketplace 825 seller, but that the failure to collect and pay the correct

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826	amount of tax imposed under this chapter was due to the
827	marketplace seller providing incorrect or incomplete information
828	to the marketplace provider. This paragraph does not apply to a
829	retail sale for which the marketplace provider is the seller if
830	the marketplace provider and marketplace seller are related
831	parties or if transactions between a marketplace seller and
832	marketplace buyer are not conducted at arm's length.
833	(6) For purposes of registration pursuant to s. 212.18, a
834	marketplace is deemed a separate place of business.
835	(7) A marketplace provider and marketplace seller may
836	agree by contract or otherwise that if a marketplace provider
837	pays the tax imposed under this chapter on a retail sale
838	facilitated through a marketplace for a marketplace seller as a
839	result of an audit or otherwise, the marketplace provider has
840	the right to recover such tax and any associated interest and
841	penalties from the marketplace seller.
842	(8) Consistent with s. 213.21, the department may settle
843	and compromise any tax, interest, or penalty assessed on retail
844	sales conducted through a marketplace.
845	(9) For purposes of this section, the limitations in ss.
846	213.30(3) and 213.756(2) apply.
847	(10) This section does not authorize the state to collect
848	sales tax from both the marketplace provider and the marketplace
849	seller on the same retail sale.
850	Section 6. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and paragraph
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851 (a) of subsection (5) of section 212.06, Florida Statutes, are 852 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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(c) The term "dealer" is further defined to mean every person, as used in this chapter, who sells at retail or who offers for sale at retail, or who has in his or her possession for sale at retail; or for use, consumption, or distribution; or for storage to be used or consumed in this state, tangible personal property as defined herein, including a retailer who transacts a remote mail order sale.

864 (5) (a)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., it is not 865 the intention of this chapter to levy a tax upon tangible 866 personal property imported, produced, or manufactured in this 867 state for export, provided that tangible personal property may not be considered as being imported, produced, or manufactured 868 869 for export unless the importer, producer, or manufacturer 870 delivers the same to a licensed exporter for exporting or to a 871 common carrier for shipment outside the state or mails the same 872 by United States mail to a destination outside the state; or, in the case of aircraft being exported under their own power to a 873 destination outside the continental limits of the United States, 874 875 by submission to the department of a duly signed and validated

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876 United States customs declaration, showing the departure of the 877 aircraft from the continental United States; and further with 878 respect to aircraft, the canceled United States registry of said 879 aircraft; or in the case of parts and equipment installed on 880 aircraft of foreign registry, by submission to the department of 881 documentation, the extent of which shall be provided by rule, 882 showing the departure of the aircraft from the continental 883 United States; nor is it the intention of this chapter to levy a 884 tax on any sale which the state is prohibited from taxing under 885 the Constitution or laws of the United States. Every retail sale 886 made to a person physically present at the time of sale shall be 887 presumed to have been delivered in this state.

888 2.a. Notwithstanding subparagraph 1., a tax is levied on 889 each sale of tangible personal property to be transported to a 890 cooperating state as defined in sub-subparagraph c., at the rate 891 specified in sub-subparagraph d. However, a Florida dealer will 892 be relieved from the requirements of collecting taxes pursuant 893 to this subparagraph if the Florida dealer obtains from the 894 purchaser an affidavit setting forth the purchaser's name, 895 address, state taxpayer identification number, and a statement 896 that the purchaser is aware of his or her state's use tax laws, 897 is a registered dealer in Florida or another state, or is 898 purchasing the tangible personal property for resale or is otherwise not required to pay the tax on the transaction. The 899 900 department may, by rule, provide a form to be used for the

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901 purposes set forth herein.

902 b. For purposes of this subparagraph, "a cooperating 903 state" is one determined by the executive director of the 904 department to cooperate satisfactorily with this state in 905 collecting taxes on <u>remote mail order</u> sales. No state shall be 906 so determined unless it meets all the following minimum 907 requirements:

908 (I) It levies and collects taxes on <u>remote</u> mail order 909 sales of property transported from that state to persons in this 910 state, as described in s. 212.0596, upon request of the 911 department.

912 (II) The tax so collected shall be at the rate specified 913 in s. 212.05, not including any local option or tourist or 914 convention development taxes collected pursuant to s. 125.0104 915 or this chapter.

916 (III) Such state agrees to remit to the department all 917 taxes so collected no later than 30 days from the last day of 918 the calendar quarter following their collection.

919 (IV) Such state authorizes the department to audit dealers 920 within its jurisdiction who make <u>remote</u> mail order sales that 921 are the subject of s. 212.0596, or makes arrangements deemed 922 adequate by the department for auditing them with its own 923 personnel.

924 (V) Such state agrees to provide to the department records 925 obtained by it from retailers or dealers in such state showing

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926 delivery of tangible personal property into this state upon 927 which no sales or use tax has been paid in a manner similar to 928 that provided in sub-subparagraph g.

929 c. For purposes of this subparagraph, "sales of tangible 930 personal property to be transported to a cooperating state" 931 means <u>remote mail order</u> sales to a person who is in the 932 cooperating state at the time the order is executed, from a 933 dealer who receives that order in this state.

d. The tax levied by sub-subparagraph a. shall be at the rate at which such a sale would have been taxed pursuant to the cooperating state's tax laws if consummated in the cooperating state by a dealer and a purchaser, both of whom were physically present in that state at the time of the sale.

939 The tax levied by sub-subparagraph a., when collected, e. 940 shall be held in the State Treasury in trust for the benefit of 941 the cooperating state and shall be paid to it at a time agreed 942 upon between the department, acting for this state, and the 943 cooperating state or the department or agency designated by it 944 to act for it; however, such payment shall in no event be made 945 later than 30 days from the last day of the calendar quarter 946 after the tax was collected. Funds held in trust for the benefit 947 of a cooperating state shall not be subject to the service charges imposed by s. 215.20. 948

949 f. The department is authorized to perform such acts and 950 to provide such cooperation to a cooperating state with

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951 reference to the tax levied by sub-subparagraph a. as is952 required of the cooperating state by sub-subparagraph b.

953 In furtherance of this act, dealers selling tangible q. 954 personal property for delivery in another state shall make 955 available to the department, upon request of the department, 956 records of all tangible personal property so sold. Such records 957 shall include a description of the property, the name and 958 address of the purchaser, the name and address of the person to 959 whom the property was sent, the purchase price of the property, 960 information regarding whether sales tax was paid in this state 961 on the purchase price, and such other information as the 962 department may by rule prescribe.

963 Section 7. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph 964 (a) of subsection (5) of section 212.12, Florida Statutes, are 965 amended to read:

966 212.12 Dealer's credit for collecting tax; penalties for 967 noncompliance; powers of Department of Revenue in dealing with 968 delinquents; brackets applicable to taxable transactions; 969 records required.-

970 (1) (a) 1. Notwithstanding any other law and for the purpose 971 of compensating persons granting licenses for and the lessors of 972 real and personal property taxed hereunder, for the purpose of 973 compensating dealers in tangible personal property, for the 974 purpose of compensating dealers providing communication services 975 and taxable services, for the purpose of compensating owners of

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976 places where admissions are collected, and for the purpose of 977 compensating remitters of any taxes or fees reported on the same 978 documents utilized for the sales and use tax, as compensation 979 for the keeping of prescribed records, filing timely tax 980 returns, and the proper accounting and remitting of taxes by 981 them, such seller, person, lessor, dealer, owner, and remitter 982 (except dealers who make mail order sales) who files the return 983 required pursuant to s. 212.11 only by electronic means and who 984 pays the amount due on such return only by electronic means 985 shall be allowed 2.5 percent of the amount of the tax due, 986 accounted for, and remitted to the department in the form of a 987 deduction. However, if the amount of the tax due and remitted to 988 the department by electronic means for the reporting period 989 exceeds \$1,200, an allowance is not allowed for all amounts in 990 excess of \$1,200. For purposes of this paragraph subparagraph, 991 the term "electronic means" has the same meaning as provided in 992 s. 213.755(2)(c). 993 2. The executive director of the department is authorized 994

1. The encourte allocated of the asparement is additionally and to negotiate a collection allowance, pursuant to rules promulgated by the department, with a dealer who makes mail order sales. The rules of the department shall provide guidelines for establishing the collection allowance based upon the dealer's estimated costs of collecting the tax, the volume and value of the dealer's mail order sales to purchasers in this state, and the administrative and legal costs and likelihood of

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1001 achieving collection of the tax absent the cooperation of the 1002 dealer. However, in no event shall the collection allowance 1003 negotiated by the executive director exceed 10 percent of the 1004 tax remitted for a reporting period.

1005 The department is authorized to audit or inspect (5) (a) 1006 the records and accounts of dealers defined herein, including 1007 audits or inspections of dealers who make remote mail order 1008 sales to the extent permitted by another state, and to correct 1009 by credit any overpayment of tax, and, in the event of a 1010 deficiency, an assessment shall be made and collected. No 1011 administrative finding of fact is necessary prior to the 1012 assessment of any tax deficiency.

1013 Section 8. Paragraph (f) of subsection (3) of section 1014 212.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1015 212.18 Administration of law; registration of dealers; 1016 rules.-

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(f) As used in this paragraph, the term "exhibitor" means a person who enters into an agreement authorizing the display of tangible personal property or services at a convention or a trade show. The following provisions apply to the registration of exhibitors as dealers under this chapter:

1023 1. An exhibitor whose agreement prohibits the sale of 1024 tangible personal property or services subject to the tax 1025 imposed in this chapter is not required to register as a dealer.

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1026 2. An exhibitor whose agreement provides for the sale at 1027 wholesale only of tangible personal property or services subject 1028 to the tax imposed by this chapter must obtain a resale 1029 certificate from the purchasing dealer but is not required to 1030 register as a dealer.

1031 3. An exhibitor whose agreement authorizes the retail sale 1032 of tangible personal property or services subject to the tax 1033 imposed by this chapter must register as a dealer and collect 1034 the tax on such sales.

10354. An exhibitor who makes a remote mail order sale1036pursuant to s. 212.0596 must register as a dealer.

1038 A person who conducts a convention or a trade show must make his 1039 or her exhibitor's agreements available to the department for 1040 inspection and copying.

1041 Section 9. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 1042 made by this act to section 212.0596, Florida Statutes, in a 1043 reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 212.20, Florida 1044 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1045 212.20 Funds collected, disposition; additional powers of 1046 department; operational expense; refund of taxes adjudicated 1047 unconstitutionally collected.-

1048 (4) When there has been a final adjudication that any tax
1049 pursuant to s. 212.0596 was levied, collected, or both, contrary
1050 to the Constitution of the United States or the State

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1051 Constitution, the department shall, in accordance with rules, determine, based upon claims for refund and other evidence and 1052 1053 information, who paid such tax or taxes, and refund to each such 1054 person the amount of tax paid. For purposes of this subsection, 1055 a "final adjudication" is a decision of a court of competent 1056 jurisdiction from which no appeal can be taken or from which the 1057 official or officials of this state with authority to make such 1058 decisions has or have decided not to appeal.

1059 Section 10. Subsection (5) of section 213.27, Florida 1060 Statutes, is amended to read:

1061 213.27 Contracts with debt collection agencies and certain 1062 vendors.-

The department may, for the purpose of ascertaining 1063 (5) 1064 the amount of or collecting any taxes due from a person making 1065 remote sales that are subject to s. 212.0596(2) or s. 212.05965 1066 doing mail order business in this state, contract with any 1067 auditing agency doing business within or without this state for 1068 the purpose of conducting an audit of such remote sales mail 1069 order business; however, such audit agency may not conduct an 1070 audit on behalf of the department of any person domiciled in 1071 this state, person registered for sales and use tax purposes in 1072 this state, or corporation filing a Florida corporate tax 1073 return, if any such person or corporation objects to such audit in writing to the department and the auditing agency. The 1074 1075 department shall notify the taxpayer by mail at least 30 days

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1076 before the department assigns the collection of such taxes. 1077 Section 11. (1) The Department of Revenue is authorized, 1078 and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of 1079 1080 administering this act. 1081 (2) Notwithstanding any other law, emergency rules adopted 1082 pursuant to subsection (1) are effective for 6 months after 1083 adoption and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to 1084 adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency 1085 rules. 1086 This section shall take effect upon this act becoming (3) a law and expires July 1, 2021. 1087 1088 Section 12. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 1089 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon 1090 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 1091 2020.

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