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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to a sales tax holiday for disaster preparedness supplies; providing exemptions from the sales and use tax for specified disaster preparedness supplies during a specified timeframe; providing applicability for certain exemptions; defining the term "impact-resistant"; requiring purchasers of certain items to furnish a specified affidavit and information to the selling dealer; providing a criminal penalty for furnishing a false affidavit with certain intent; specifying locations where the exemptions do not apply; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1. <u>Disaster preparedness supplies; sales tax</u> holiday.—
- (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes, may not be collected during the period from 12:01 a.m. on May 29, 2020, through 11:59 p.m. on June 15, 2020, on the sale of:
- (a) A portable self-powered light source selling for \$20 or less.
- (b) A portable self-powered radio, two-way radio, or weather-band radio selling for \$50 or less.
- (c) A tarpaulin or other flexible waterproof sheeting selling for \$50 or less.
 - (d) An item normally sold as, or generally advertised as, a

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ground anchor system or tie-down kit selling for \$50 or less.

- (e) A gas or diesel fuel tank selling for \$25 or less.
- (f) A package of AA-cell, AAA-cell, C-cell, D-cell, 6-volt, or 9-volt batteries, excluding automobile and boat batteries, selling for \$30 or less.
- $\underline{\mbox{(g)}}$ A nonelectric food storage cooler selling for \$30 or less.
- (h) A portable generator used to provide light or communications or preserve food in the event of a power outage selling for \$750 or less.
 - (i) Reusable ice selling for \$10 or less.
- (j) Impact-resistant windows, when sold in units of 20 or fewer.
- (k) Impact-resistant doors and impact-resistant garage doors, when sold in units of 10 or fewer.

The exemptions under paragraphs (j) and (k) apply to purchases made by an owner of residential real property where the impact-resistant windows, impact-resistant doors, or impact-resistant garage doors will be installed. For the purposes of this section, the term "impact-resistant" means that the window, door, or garage door complies with the standards for protection of openings and for windborne debris protection in the Florida Building Code, 6th Edition (2017) Residential, or in the Florida Building Code, 6th Edition (2017) Building. The purchaser must furnish to the selling dealer an affidavit stating that the impact-resistant windows, impact-resistant doors, or impact-resistant garage doors to be exempted are for the exclusive use designated herein and must include the name of the owner making

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the purchase and the address of the residential real property where the items will be installed. Any person furnishing a false affidavit to such effect for the purpose of evading payment of any tax imposed under chapter 212, Florida Statutes, is subject to the penalties set forth in s. 212.085, Florida Statutes, and as otherwise provided by law.

- (2) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not apply to sales within a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013(9), Florida Statutes, within a public lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.013(4), Florida Statutes, or within an airport as defined in s. 330.27(2), Florida Statutes.
- (3) The Department of Revenue may, and all conditions are deemed met to, adopt emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing this section. Notwithstanding any other law, emergency rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are effective for 6 months after adoption and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency rule.

Section 2. For the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the sum of \$70,072 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of implementing this act. Funds remaining unexpended or unencumbered from this appropriation as of June 30, 2020, shall revert and be reappropriated for the same purpose in the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.