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proceedings; providing applicability; amending s. 194.035, F.S.; specifying the circumstances under which a special magistrate's appraisal may not be submitted as evidence to a value adjustment board; amending s. 194.181, F.S.; providing and revising the parties considered as the defendants in tax suits; requiring certain notice to be provided to unit owners in a specified way; providing unit owners options for defending a tax suit; imposing certain actions for unit owners who fail to respond to a specified notice; amending s. 195.073, F.S.; revising the property classifications for certain multifamily housing and commercial and industrial properties; amending s. 195.096, F.S.; removing the requirement for the Department of Revenue to review tangible personal property rolls of each county; revising required computations regarding classifications of property; specifying that properties with more than nine units are commercial property for certain assessment roll purposes; amending s. 196.173, F.S.; revising the military operations that qualify certain servicemembers for an additional ad valorem tax exemption; revising the deadlines for applying for additional ad valorem tax exemptions for certain servicemembers for a specified tax year; providing

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applicability; amending s. 196.197, F.S.; providing criteria to be used in determining the value of tax exemptions for charitable use of certain hospitals; defining terms; providing application requirements for tax exemptions for certain properties; amending s. 196.198, F.S.; exempting land, buildings, and real property improvements used exclusively for educational purposes from ad valorem taxes if certain criteria are met; providing that the educational institution shall receive the full benefit of the exemption; requiring the property owner to make certain disclosures to the educational institution; amending s. 200.065, F.S.; providing alternative methods of notice related to the truth in millage process for counties for which a declared state of emergency exists; extending deadlines for notice during a declared state of emergency; revising publication and hearing requirements; providing for automatic extensions of certain deadlines in the event of a declared state of emergency; amending s. 200.069, F.S.; specifying information which property appraisers may include in the notice of ad valorem taxes and non-ad valorem assessments; amending s. 202.12, F.S.; reducing the tax rates applied to the sale of communications services and the retail sale of direct-to-home

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satellite services after a certain date; amending ss. 202.12001 and 203.001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 206.05 and 206.90, F.S.; revising the maximum bond amount for licensed terminal suppliers; amending s. 206.8741, F.S.; reducing the penalty imposed for failure to conform to notice requirements related to dyed diesel fuel; amending s. 206.9826, F.S.; increasing the refund available to certain air carriers on the purchase of aviation fuel; amending s. 212.0305, F.S.; revising uses and distribution of the charter county convention development tax for specified counties; providing restrictions on the use of funds; providing that no existing contract or debt service shall be affected; amending s. 212.0306, F.S.; providing a name for the local option food and beverage tax in a certain county; revising approved uses of the proceeds of the tax; prohibiting interlocal agreements and contracts with certain convention and visitors bureaus from being renewed or extended; providing that no existing contract shall be affected; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; reducing the tax levied on rental or license fees charged for the use of real property; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; extending the period in which a dealer and nonresident purchaser must provide

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the state with documentation that a boat or aircraft purchased without the imposition of Florida sales tax will not be used in the state; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; providing an expiration date for the charter county and regional transportation system surtax for a certain county; requiring a resolution to levy the surtax after a certain date; requiring any new levy of the charter county and regional transportation system surtax to expire after 20 years; requiring the resolution to include a statement containing certain information; requiring the resolution to approve a school capital outlay surtax to include specified information; requiring revenues shared with charter schools to be expended by the charter schools in a certain manner; requiring revenues and expenditures to be accounted for in specified charter school financial reports; providing applicability; amending s. 212.134, F.S.; requiring specified entities that must file a return under section 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code to provide copies to the department; specifying procedures for submitting the information; providing penalties; creating s. 212.181, F.S.; providing procedures for jurisdictions to notify the department regarding changes to their business boundaries for certain purposes; providing guidelines for correction

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of misallocated funds; providing procedures for correcting misallocated funds; providing deadlines for notifying the department of changes to business boundaries; providing rulemaking authority; amending ss. 212.20, 212.205, 218.64, and 288.0001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 213.0537, F.S.; authorizing the department to provide certain official correspondence to taxpayers electronically upon the affirmative request of the taxpayer; providing definitions; amending s. 213.21, F.S.; tolling the period for filing a claim for refund for certain transactions during certain audit periods; amending s. 220.1105, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "final tax liability" for certain purposes; providing for retroactive application; amending s. 220.1845, F.S.; increasing, for a specified fiscal year, the total amount of contaminated site rehabilitation tax credits; creating s. 220.197, F.S.; defining the term "NAICS" for purposes of a certain tax credit; providing a credit against the corporate income tax in a specified amount and taxable year for certain taxpayers in car rental or leasing industries; providing for retroactive operation; repealing s. 288.11625, F.S., relating to the Sports Development Program; amending s. 376.30781,

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F.S.; increasing, for a specified fiscal year, the total amount of tax credits for the rehabilitation of drycleaning-solvent-contaminated sites and brownfield sites in designated brownfield areas; amending s. 413.4021, F.S.; increasing the percent of revenues collected from the tax collection enforcement diversion program for specified purposes; amending s. 443.163, F.S.; providing that corrections to electronically filed reemployment tax reports must also be filed electronically; revising penalties; removing the requirement for certain parties to file electronically; removing the requirement that requests for waivers from statutory requirements be in writing; amending s. 626.932, F.S.; revising downward the surplus lines tax rate; revising the operation of the surplus lines tax for policies covering risks outside the state; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; providing that a condominium association may take certain actions relating to a challenge to ad valorem taxes in its own name or on behalf of unit owners; providing applicability; providing sales tax exemptions for certain clothing, school supplies, personal computers, and personal computer-related accessories during a certain timeframe; defining terms; specifying locations where the exemptions do not apply;

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176	authorizing certain dealers to opt out of
177	participating in the exemptions, subject to certain
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180	sales tax exemptions for certain disaster preparedness
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182	locations where the exemptions do not apply;
183	authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules;
184	creating ss. 211.0252, 212.1833, 561.1212, and
185	624.51056, F.S.; authorizing a tax credit for certain
186	contributions made to an eligible charitable
187	organization with certain restrictions; amending s.
188	220.02, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending
189	ss. 220.13 and 220.186, F.S.; conforming cross-
190	references to changes made by the act; creating s.
191	220.1876, F.S.; authorizing a tax credit for certain
192	contributions made to an eligible charitable
193	organization with certain restrictions; providing
194	requirements for applying a credit when the taxpayer
195	requests an extension; creating s. 402.62, F.S.;
196	creating the Children's Promise Tax Credit; providing
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responsibilities of eligible charitable organizations that receive contributions under the tax credit; providing responsibilities of the department related to the tax credit; providing guidelines for the application of, limitations to, and transfers of the tax credit; providing for the preservation of the tax credit under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of Revenue, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Department of Children and Families to develop a cooperative agreement to administer the tax credit; authorizing the Department of Revenue, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules; authorizing the Department of Revenue and the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to share certain information as needed to administer the tax credit; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an appropriation; requiring the Florida Institute for Child Welfare to analyze the use of funding provided by the tax credit and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified

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date; amending s. 212.07, F.S.; authorizing dealers, subject to certain conditions, to advertise or hold out to the public that they will pay sales tax on behalf of the purchaser; amending s. 212.15, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing appropriations; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules for certain purposes; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (e) of subsection (5) of section 125.0104, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (f) is added to that subsection, to read:

125.0104 Tourist development tax; procedure for levying; authorized uses; referendum; enforcement.—

- (5) AUTHORIZED USES OF REVENUE. -
- (a) Except for counties identified in paragraph (f), all tax revenues received pursuant to this section by a county imposing the tourist development tax shall be used by that county for the following purposes only:
- 1. To acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, maintain, operate, or promote one or more:
 - a. Publicly owned and operated convention centers, sports

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- stadiums, sports arenas, coliseums, or auditoriums within the boundaries of the county or subcounty special taxing district in which the tax is levied;
- b. Auditoriums that are publicly owned but are operated by organizations that are exempt from federal taxation pursuant to 26 U.S.C. s. 501(c)(3) and open to the public, within the boundaries of the county or subcounty special taxing district in which the tax is levied; or
- c. Aquariums or museums that are publicly owned and operated or owned and operated by not-for-profit organizations and open to the public, within the boundaries of the county or subcounty special taxing district in which the tax is levied; or
- d. Parks or trails that are publicly owned and operated or owned and operated by not-for-profit organizations and open to the public, within the boundaries of the county or subcounty special taxing district in which the tax is levied;
- 2. To promote zoological parks that are publicly owned and operated or owned and operated by not-for-profit organizations and open to the public;
- 3. To promote and advertise tourism in this state and nationally and internationally; however, if tax revenues are expended for an activity, service, venue, or event, the activity, service, venue, or event must have as one of its main purposes the attraction of tourists as evidenced by the promotion of the activity, service, venue, or event to tourists;

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- 4. To fund convention bureaus, tourist bureaus, tourist information centers, and news bureaus as county agencies or by contract with the chambers of commerce or similar associations in the county, which may include any indirect administrative costs for services performed by the county on behalf of the promotion agency;
- To finance beach park facilities, or beach, channel, estuary, or lagoon improvement, maintenance, renourishment, restoration, and erosion control, including construction of beach groins and shoreline protection, enhancement, cleanup, or restoration of inland lakes and rivers to which there is public access as those uses relate to the physical preservation of the beach, shoreline, channel, estuary, lagoon, or inland lake or river. However, any funds identified by a county as the local matching source for beach renourishment, restoration, or erosion control projects included in the long-range budget plan of the state's Beach Management Plan, pursuant to s. 161.091, or funds contractually obligated by a county in the financial plan for a federally authorized shore protection project may not be used or loaned for any other purpose. In counties of fewer than 100,000 population, up to 10 percent of the revenues from the tourist development tax may be used for beach park facilities; or
- 6. To acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, maintain, operate, or finance public facilities within the boundaries of the county or subcounty special taxing

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district in which the tax is levied, if the public facilities are needed to increase tourist-related business activities in the county or subcounty special district and are recommended by the county tourist development council created pursuant to paragraph (4)(e). Tax revenues may be used for any related land acquisition, land improvement, design and engineering costs, and all other professional and related costs required to bring the public facilities into service. As used in this subparagraph, the term "public facilities" means major capital improvements that have a life expectancy of 5 or more years, including, but not limited to, transportation, sanitary sewer, solid waste, drainage, potable water, and pedestrian facilities. Tax revenues may be used for these purposes only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a. In the county fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in which the tax revenues were initially used for such purposes, at least \$10 million in tourist development tax revenue was received;
- b. The county governing board approves the use for the proposed public facilities by a vote of at least two-thirds of its membership;
- c. No more than 70 percent of the cost of the proposed public facilities will be paid for with tourist development tax revenues, and sources of funding for the remaining cost are identified and confirmed by the county governing board;

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326	d. At least 40 percent of all tourist development tax
327	revenues collected in the county are spent to promote and
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329	e. An independent professional analysis, performed at the
330	expense of the county tourist development council, demonstrates
331	the positive impact of the infrastructure project on tourist-
332	related businesses in the county.
333	7. To finance water quality improvement projects,
334	including, but not limited to:
335	a. Flood mitigation.
336	b. Seagrass or seaweed removal.
337	c. Algae control, cleanup, or prevention measures.
338	d. Waterway network restoration measures.

- e. Septic-to-sewer conversion projects that are primarily undertaken to reduce or prevent the discharge of untreated or partially treated wastewater into surface water that is important to the local tourism industry if the applicable septic tank is:
- (I) Within 2 miles of any surface water other than those designated as Outstanding Florida Waters as provided in s. 403.061(27); or
- (II) Within 5 miles of any surface water designated as Outstanding Florida Waters pursuant to s. 403.061(27).

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contracts and leases with lessees that have sufficient expertise or financial capability to operate such facilities.

- (b) Tax revenues received pursuant to this section by a county of less than 950,000 750,000 population imposing a tourist development tax may only be used by that county for the following purposes in addition to those purposes allowed pursuant to paragraph (a): to acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, maintain, operate, or promote one or more zoological parks, fishing piers or nature centers which are publicly owned and operated or owned and operated by not-for-profit organizations and open to the public. All population figures relating to this subsection shall be based on the most recent population estimates prepared pursuant to the provisions of s. 186.901. These population estimates shall be those in effect on July 1 of each year.
- (e) Any use of the local option tourist development tax revenues collected pursuant to this section for a purpose not expressly authorized by paragraph (3)(1) or paragraph (3)(n) or paragraphs (a)-(d) and (f) of this subsection is expressly prohibited.
- (f) All tax revenues received pursuant to this section by a county, as defined in s. 125.011(1), imposing the tourist development tax shall be used by that county for the following purposes only:
 - 1. Revenues may be used to complete any project underway

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as of the effective date of this act or to perform any contract in existence on the effective date of this act, pursuant to this section as this section existed before the effective date of this act. Revenues may not be used to renew or extend such contracts or projects. Bonds or other debt outstanding as of the effective date of this act may be refinanced, but the duration of such debt pledging the tourist development tax may not be extended and the outstanding principal may not be increased, except to account for the costs of issuance.

- 2. Revenues not needed for projects, contracts, or debt obligations pursuant to subparagraph 1. shall be distributed and used as follows:
- a. Fifty percent shall be distributed monthly to the governing boards of municipalities within the county and the county. Distributions to each municipality shall be in proportion to the amount collected in the prior month within each municipality as a share of the total collected in the prior month in the county as a whole. Distributions to the county shall be in proportion to the amount collected in the prior month within the unincorporated area of the county as a share of the total collected in the prior month in the county as a whole. These distributions may be used by the receiving jurisdiction to:
- (I) Promote and advertise tourism and fund convention bureaus, tourist bureaus, tourist information centers, and news

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401 bureaus. Municipalities receiving revenue under this sub-402 subparagraph may enter into an interlocal agreement to use such 403 revenue to receive services provided by the entity receiving 404 funds under sub-sub-subparagraph s. 212.0305(4)(b)2.b.(III). 405 (II) Reimburse expenses incurred in providing public 406 safety services, including emergency medical services as defined 407 in s. 401.107(3), and law enforcement services, which are needed 408 to address impacts related to increased tourism and visitors to 409 an area. However, if taxes collected pursuant to this section 410 are used to reimburse emergency medical services or public 411 safety services for tourism or special events, the governing 412 board of a county or municipality may not use such taxes to 413 supplant the normal operating expenses of an emergency medical 414 services department, a fire department, a sheriff's office, or a 415 police department. 416 (III) Acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, 417 repair, improve, maintain, operate, or promote parks or trails 418 that are publicly owned and operated or owned and operated by 419 not-for-profit organizations and open to the public, within the 420 boundaries of the county or subcounty special taxing district in 421 which the tax is levied. 422 (IV) Acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, maintain, operate, or finance public facilities within 423 424 the boundaries of the jurisdiction, if the public facilities are

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needed to preserve or increase tourist-related business

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activities in the jurisdiction. Tax revenues may be used for any related land acquisition, land improvement, design and engineering costs, and all other professional and related costs required to bring the public facilities into service. As used in this subparagraph, the term "public facilities" means major capital improvements that have a life expectancy of 5 or more years, including, but not limited to, transportation; sanitary sewer, including solid waste, drainage, and potable water; and pedestrian facilities. Tax distributions may be used for these purposes only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (A) The governing board approves the use for the proposed public facilities by a vote of at least two-thirds of its membership.
- (B) No more than 70 percent of the cost of the proposed public facilities will be paid for using tourist development tax revenues, and sources of funding for the remaining costs are identified and confirmed by the jurisdiction's governing board.
- (C) No more than 40 percent of all tourist development tax revenues distributed to the jurisdiction are spent to promote and advertise tourism as provided by this paragraph.
- (D) An independent professional analysis, performed at the expense of the jurisdiction, demonstrates the positive impact of the infrastructure project on tourist-related businesses in the jurisdiction.
 - b. Twenty percent shall be distributed to the county to

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- fund the primary bureau, department, or association responsible for organizing, funding, and promoting opportunities for artists and cultural organizations within the county.
- c. Thirty percent shall be distributed to the governing board of the county and used for one or more of the purposes set forth in the Local Option Coastal Recovery and Resiliency Tax in s. 212.0306(3)(a).
- Section 2. Effective upon this act becoming a law, paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (11) of section 192.001, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 192.001 Definitions.—All definitions set out in chapters 1 and 200 that are applicable to this chapter are included herein. In addition, the following definitions shall apply in the imposition of ad valorem taxes:
- (11) "Personal property," for the purposes of ad valorem taxation, shall be divided into four categories as follows:
- (c)1. "Inventory" means only those chattels consisting of items commonly referred to as goods, wares, and merchandise (as well as inventory) which are held for sale or lease to customers in the ordinary course of business. Supplies and raw materials shall be considered to be inventory only to the extent that they are acquired for sale or lease to customers in the ordinary course of business or will physically become a part of merchandise intended for sale or lease to customers in the ordinary course of business. Partially finished products which

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when completed will be held for sale or lease to customers in the ordinary course of business shall be deemed items of inventory. All livestock shall be considered inventory. Items of inventory held for lease to customers in the ordinary course of business, rather than for sale, shall be deemed inventory only prior to the initial lease of such items. For the purposes of this section, fuels used in the production of electricity shall be considered inventory.

- 2. "Inventory" also means construction and agricultural equipment weighing 1,000 pounds or more that is returned to a dealership under a rent-to-purchase option and held for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business. This subparagraph may not be considered in determining whether property that is not construction and agricultural equipment weighing 1,000 pounds or more that is returned under a rent-to-purchase option is inventory under subparagraph 1.
- 3. Notwithstanding any provision in this section to the contrary, the term "inventory," for all levies other than school district levies, also means construction equipment owned by a heavy equipment rental dealer that is for sale or short-term rental in the normal course of business on the annual assessment date. For the purposes of this chapter and chapter 196, the term "heavy equipment rental dealer" means a person or entity principally engaged in the business of short-term rental and sale of equipment described under 532412 of the North American

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Industry Classification System including attachments for the equipment or other ancillary equipment. As used in this subparagraph, the term "short-term rental" means the rental of a dealer's heavy equipment rental property for less than 365 days under an open-ended contract or under a contract with unlimited terms. The prior short-term rental of any construction or industrial equipment does not disqualify such property from qualifying as inventory under this paragraph following the term of such rental. The term "inventory" does not include heavy equipment rented with an operator.

(d) "Tangible personal property" means all goods, chattels, and other articles of value (but does not include the vehicular items enumerated in s. 1(b), Art. VII of the State Constitution and elsewhere defined) capable of manual possession and whose chief value is intrinsic to the article itself.

"Construction work in progress" consists of those items of tangible personal property commonly known as fixtures, machinery, and equipment when in the process of being installed in new or expanded improvements to real property and whose value is materially enhanced upon connection or use with a preexisting, taxable, operational system or facility.

Construction work in progress shall be deemed substantially completed when connected with the preexisting, taxable, operational system or facility. For the purposes of tangible personal property constructed or installed by an electric

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526 utility, construction work in progress is not deemed 527 substantially completed unless all permits or approvals required 528 for commercial operation have been received or approved. 529 Inventory and household goods are expressly excluded from this 530 definition. 531 The amendment made by this act to s. Section 3. 532 192.001(11)(d), Florida Statutes, first applies to the 2020 533 property tax roll and operates retroactively to January 1, 2020. Section 4. Section 193.1557, Florida Statutes, is created 534 535 to read: 536 193.1557 Assessment of certain property damaged or 537 destroyed by Hurricane Michael.—For property damaged or 538 destroyed by Hurricane Michael in 2018, s. 193.155(4)(b), s. 539 193.1554(6)(b), or s. 193.1555(6)(b) applies to changes, 540 additions, or improvements commenced within 5 years after 541 January 1, 2019. This section applies to the 2019-2023 tax years 542 and shall stand repealed on December 31, 2023. Section 5. Paragraph (e) of subsection (3) of section 543 544 194.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 545 194.011 Assessment notice; objections to assessments.-(3) A petition to the value adjustment board must be in 546 547 substantially the form prescribed by the department. Notwithstanding s. 195.022, a county officer may not refuse to 548 accept a form provided by the department for this purpose if the 549 550 taxpayer chooses to use it. A petition to the value adjustment

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board must be signed by the taxpayer or be accompanied at the time of filing by the taxpayer's written authorization or power of attorney, unless the person filing the petition is listed in s. 194.034(1)(a). A person listed in s. 194.034(1)(a) may file a petition with a value adjustment board without the taxpayer's signature or written authorization by certifying under penalty of perjury that he or she has authorization to file the petition on behalf of the taxpayer. If a taxpayer notifies the value adjustment board that a petition has been filed for the taxpayer's property without his or her consent, the value adjustment board may require the person filing the petition to provide written authorization from the taxpayer authorizing the person to proceed with the appeal before a hearing is held. If the value adjustment board finds that a person listed in s. 194.034(1)(a) willfully and knowingly filed a petition that was not authorized by the taxpayer, the value adjustment board shall require such person to provide the taxpayer's written authorization for representation to the value adjustment board clerk before any petition filed by that person is heard, for 1 year after imposition of such requirement by the value adjustment board. A power of attorney or written authorization is valid for 1 assessment year, and a new power of attorney or written authorization by the taxpayer is required for each subsequent assessment year. A petition shall also describe the property by parcel number and shall be filed as follows:

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- (e) 1. A condominium association, as defined in s. 718.103, a cooperative association, as defined in s. 719.103, or any homeowners' association, as defined in s. 723.075, with approval of its board of administration or directors, may file with the value adjustment board a single joint petition on behalf of any association members who own units or parcels of property which the property appraiser determines are substantially similar with respect to location, proximity to amenities, number of rooms, living area, and condition. The condominium association, cooperative association, or homeowners' association as defined in s. 723.075 shall provide the unit or parcel owners with notice of its intent to petition the value adjustment board and shall provide at least 20 days for a unit or parcel owner to elect, in writing, that his or her unit or parcel not be included in the petition.
- 2. A condominium association, as defined in s. 718.103, or a cooperative association, as defined in s. 719.103, that has filed a single joint petition under this subsection may continue to represent, prosecute, and defend the unit owners through any related subsequent proceeding in any tribunal, including judicial review under part II of this chapter and any appeals. This subparagraph is intended to clarify existing law and applies to cases pending on July 1, 2020.
- Section 6. Subsection (1) of section 194.035, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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194.035 Special magistrates; property evaluators.-In counties having a population of more than 75,000, the board shall appoint special magistrates for the purpose of taking testimony and making recommendations to the board, which recommendations the board may act upon without further hearing. These special magistrates may not be elected or appointed officials or employees of the county but shall be selected from a list of those qualified individuals who are willing to serve as special magistrates. Employees and elected or appointed officials of a taxing jurisdiction or of the state may not serve as special magistrates. The clerk of the board shall annually notify such individuals or their professional associations to make known to them that opportunities to serve as special magistrates exist. The Department of Revenue shall provide a list of qualified special magistrates to any county with a population of 75,000 or less. Subject to appropriation, the department shall reimburse counties with a population of 75,000 or less for payments made to special magistrates appointed for the purpose of taking testimony and making recommendations to the value adjustment board pursuant to this section. The department shall establish a reasonable range for payments per case to special magistrates based on such payments in other counties. Requests for reimbursement of payments outside this range shall be justified by the county. If the total of all requests for reimbursement in any year exceeds the amount

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available pursuant to this section, payments to all counties shall be prorated accordingly. If a county having a population less than 75,000 does not appoint a special magistrate to hear each petition, the person or persons designated to hear petitions before the value adjustment board or the attorney appointed to advise the value adjustment board shall attend the training provided pursuant to subsection (3), regardless of whether the person would otherwise be required to attend, but shall not be required to pay the tuition fee specified in subsection (3). A special magistrate appointed to hear issues of exemptions, classifications, and determinations that a change of ownership, a change of ownership or control, or a qualifying improvement has occurred shall be a member of The Florida Bar with no less than 5 years' experience in the area of ad valorem taxation. A special magistrate appointed to hear issues regarding the valuation of real estate shall be a state certified real estate appraiser with not less than 5 years' experience in real property valuation. A special magistrate appointed to hear issues regarding the valuation of tangible personal property shall be a designated member of a nationally recognized appraiser's organization with not less than 5 years' experience in tangible personal property valuation. A special magistrate need not be a resident of the county in which he or she serves. A special magistrate may not represent a person before the board in any tax year during which he or she has

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served that board as a special magistrate. An appraisal performed by a special magistrate who served on the board as a special magistrate during the tax year may not be submitted as evidence to the value adjustment board. Before appointing a special magistrate, a value adjustment board shall verify the special magistrate's qualifications. The value adjustment board shall ensure that the selection of special magistrates is based solely upon the experience and qualifications of the special magistrate and is not influenced by the property appraiser. The special magistrate shall accurately and completely preserve all testimony and, in making recommendations to the value adjustment board, shall include proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, and reasons for upholding or overturning the determination of the property appraiser. The expense of hearings before magistrates and any compensation of special magistrates shall be borne three-fifths by the board of county commissioners and twofifths by the school board. When appointing special magistrates or when scheduling special magistrates for specific hearings, the board, the board attorney, and the board clerk may not consider the dollar amount or percentage of any assessment reductions recommended by any special magistrate in the current year or in any previous year. Section 7. Subsection (2) of section 194.181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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194.181 Parties to a tax suit.-

- (2) (a) In any case brought by <u>a</u> the taxpayer or <u>a</u> condominium or cooperative association, as defined in ss.

 718.103 and 719.103 respectively, on behalf of some or all unit owners, contesting the assessment of any property, the county property appraiser <u>is the shall be</u> party defendant.
- (b) In any case brought by the property appraiser under pursuant to s. 194.036(1)(a) or (b), the taxpayer is the shall be party defendant.
- (c)1. In any case brought by the property appraiser under s. 194.036(1)(a) or (b) concerning a value adjustment board decision on a single joint petition filed by a condominium or cooperative association under s. 194.011(3), the association and all unit owners included in the single joint petition are the party defendants.
- 2. The condominium or cooperative association must provide unit owners with notice of its intent to respond to or answer the property appraiser's complaint and advise the unit owners that they may elect to:
 - a. Retain their own counsel to defend the appeal;
 - b. Choose not to defend the appeal; or
- c. Be represented together with other unit owners in the response or answer filed by the association.
- 3. The notice required in subparagraph 2. must be hand-delivered or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the unit owners and posted conspicuously on the condominium

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or cooperative property in the same manner as for notice of board meetings under ss. 718.112(2) and 719.106(1). However, the notice may be electronically transmitted to any unit owner who has expressly consented in writing to receiving such notices through electronic transmission. The association must provide at least 14 days for unit owners to respond to the notice. Any unit owner who fails to respond to the association's notice will be represented in the response or answer filed by the association.

 $\underline{\text{(d)}}$ In any case brought by the property appraiser $\underline{\text{under}}$ pursuant to s. 194.036(1)(c), the value adjustment board is the shall be party defendant.

Section 8. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) of section 195.073, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

195.073 Classification of property.—All items required by law to be on the assessment rolls must receive a classification based upon the use of the property. The department shall promulgate uniform definitions for all classifications. The department may designate other subclassifications of property. No assessment roll may be approved by the department which does not show proper classifications.

- (1) Real property must be classified according to the assessment basis of the land into the following classes:
- (a) Residential, subclassified into categories, one category for homestead property and one for nonhomestead property:

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- 726 1. Single family.
- 727 2. Mobile homes.
- 728 3. Multifamily, up to nine units.
- 729 4. Condominiums.
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- 6. Retirement homes.
- 732 (b) Commercial and industrial, including apartments with more than nine units.
 - Section 9. Subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 195.096, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

 195.096 Review of assessment rolls.—
 - (2) The department shall conduct, no less frequently than once every 2 years, an in-depth review of the <u>real property</u> assessment <u>roll</u> rolls of each county. The department need not individually study every use-class of property set forth in s. 195.073, but shall at a minimum study the level of assessment in relation to just value of each classification specified in subsection (3). Such in-depth review may include proceedings of the value adjustment board and the audit or review of procedures used by the counties to appraise property.
 - (a) The department shall, at least 30 days prior to the beginning of an in-depth review in any county, notify the property appraiser in the county of the pending review. At the request of the property appraiser, the department shall consult with the property appraiser regarding the classifications and

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strata to be studied, in order that the review will be useful to the property appraiser in evaluating his or her procedures.

- (b) Every property appraiser whose upcoming roll is subject to an in-depth review shall, if requested by the department on or before January 1, deliver upon completion of the assessment roll a list of the parcel numbers of all parcels that did not appear on the assessment roll of the previous year, indicating the parcel number of the parent parcel from which each new parcel was created or "cut out."
- In conducting assessment ratio studies, the department must use all practicable steps, including stratified statistical and analytical reviews and sale-qualification studies, to maximize the representativeness or statistical reliability of samples of properties in tests of each classification, stratum, or roll made the subject of a ratio study published by it. The department shall document and retain records of the measures of representativeness of the properties studied in compliance with this section. Such documentation must include a record of findings used as the basis for the approval or disapproval of the tax roll in each county pursuant to s. 193.1142. In addition, to the greatest extent practicable, the department shall study assessment roll strata by subclassifications such as value groups and market areas for each classification or stratum to be studied, to maximize the representativeness of ratio study samples. For purposes of this section, the department shall rely

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primarily on an assessment-to-sales-ratio study in conducting assessment ratio studies in those classifications of property specified in subsection (3) for which there are adequate market sales. The department shall compute the median and the value-weighted mean for each classification or subclassification studied and for the roll as a whole.

- (d) In the conduct of these reviews, the department shall adhere to all standards to which the property appraisers are required to adhere.
- The department and each property appraiser shall cooperate in the conduct of these reviews, and each shall make available to the other all matters and records bearing on the preparation and computation of the reviews. The property appraisers shall provide any and all data requested by the department in the conduct of the studies, including electronic data processing tapes. Any and all data and samples developed or obtained by the department in the conduct of the studies shall be confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) until a presentation of the findings of the study is made to the property appraiser. After the presentation of the findings, the department shall provide any and all data requested by a property appraiser developed or obtained in the conduct of the studies, including tapes. Direct reimbursable costs of providing the data shall be borne by the party who requested it. Copies of existing data or records, whether maintained or required

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pursuant to law or rule, or data or records otherwise maintained, shall be submitted within 30 days from the date requested, in the case of written or printed information, and within 14 days from the date requested, in the case of computerized information.

- (f) Within 120 days after receipt of a county assessment roll by the executive director of the department pursuant to s. 193.1142(1), or within 10 days after approval of the assessment roll, whichever is later, the department shall complete the review for that county and publish the department's findings. The findings must include a statement of the confidence interval for the median and such other measures as may be appropriate for each classification or subclassification studied and for the roll as a whole, and related statistical and analytical details. The measures in the findings must be based on:
 - 1. A 95-percent level of confidence; or
- 2. Ratio study standards that are generally accepted by professional appraisal organizations in developing a statistically valid sampling plan if a 95-percent level of confidence is not attainable.
- (3) (a) Upon completion of review pursuant to paragraph (2) (f), the department shall publish the results of reviews conducted under this section. The results must include all statistical and analytical measures computed under this section for the real property assessment roll as a whole, the personal

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849 850 property assessment roll as a whole, and independently for the following real property classes if the classes constituted 5 percent or more of the total assessed value of real property in a county on the previous tax roll:

- 1. Residential property that consists of one primary living unit, including, but not limited to, single-family residences, condominiums, cooperatives, and mobile homes.
- 2. Residential property that consists of two to nine or more primary living units.
- 3. Agricultural, high-water recharge, historic property used for commercial or certain nonprofit purposes, and other use-valued property.
 - 4. Vacant lots.
 - 5. Nonagricultural acreage and other undeveloped parcels.
- 6. Improved commercial and industrial property, including apartments with more than nine units.
- 7. Taxable institutional or governmental, utility, locally assessed railroad, oil, gas and mineral land, subsurface rights, and other real property.

If one of the above classes constituted less than 5 percent of the total assessed value of all real property in a county on the previous assessment roll, the department may combine it with one or more other classes of real property for purposes of assessment ratio studies or use the weighted average of the

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851 other classes for purposes of calculating the level of 852 assessment for all real property in a county. The department 853 shall also publish such results for any subclassifications of 854 the classes or assessment rolls it may have chosen to study. 855 Section 10. Effective upon this act becoming a law, 856 subsection (2) of section 196.173, Florida Statutes, is amended 857 to read: 858 196.173 Exemption for deployed servicemembers.-859 The exemption is available to servicemembers who were 860 deployed during the preceding calendar year on active duty 861 outside the continental United States, Alaska, or Hawaii in 862 support of any of the following military operations: Operation Joint Task Force Bravo, which began in 1995. 863 864 (b) Operation Joint Guardian, which began on June 12, 865 1999. 866 Operation Noble Eagle, which began on September 15, (C) 867 2001. 868 (d) Operation Enduring Freedom, which began on October 7, 869 2001, and ended on December 31, 2014. 870 (d) (e) Operations in the Balkans, which began in 2004. 871 (e) (f) Operation Nomad Shadow, which began in 2007. (f) (g) Operation U.S. Airstrikes Al Qaeda in Somalia, 872 which began in January 2007. 873 874 (g) (h) Operation Copper Dune, which began in 2009. 875 (h) (i) Operation Georgia Deployment Program, which began

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888	(o) Operation Juniper Shield, which began in February
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892	(q) Operation Martillo, which began in January 2012.
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894	The Department of Revenue shall notify all property appraisers
895	and tax collectors in this state of the designated military
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897	Section 11. The amendment made by this act to s.
898	196.173(2), Florida Statues, applies to ad valorem tax rolls for
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900	Section 12. Application deadline for additional ad valorem

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pay a filing fee for such petition. Upon reviewing the petition, the value adjustment board may grant the exemption if the applicant is qualified for the exemption and demonstrates extenuating circumstances, as determined by the board, that warrant granting the exemption.

- (4) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming a law and applies to ad valorem tax rolls for the 2020 tax year. Section 13. Subsection (3) is added to section 196.197, Florida Statutes, to read:
- 196.197 Additional provisions for exempting property used by hospitals, nursing homes, and homes for special services.—In addition to criteria for granting exemptions for charitable use of property set forth in other sections of this chapter, hospitals, nursing homes, and homes for special services shall be exempt to the extent that they meet the following criteria:
- (3) (a) The county property appraiser shall make the calculations described in this paragraph. In determining the extent of the exemption to be granted to institutions licensed as hospitals, the unadjusted exempt value of a parcel and the unadjusted exempt value of tangible personal property shall be multiplied by a fraction, not to exceed one, the numerator of which is the county net community benefit expense, as determined under paragraph (b), and the denominator of which is the county tax assessment. For purposes of this subsection:
 - 1. The term "unadjusted exempt value" means the value

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- exempted in a tax year for the charitable use of property as provided in other sections of this chapter and as limited by subsections (1) and (2).
- 2. The term "adopted millage rate applicable to the parcel" is the sum of all ad valorem tax rates levied by all taxing jurisdictions within which a parcel is located.
- 3. The term "parcel tax assessment" is the product of the unadjusted exempt value for a parcel for the immediately prior year and the most recent final adopted millage rate applicable to the parcel.
- 4. The term "adopted millage rate applicable to the tangible personal property" is the sum of all ad valorem tax rates levied by all taxing jurisdictions within which tangible personal property is located.
- 5. The term "tangible personal property tax assessment" is the product of the unadjusted exempt value for tangible personal property for the immediately prior year and the most recent final adopted millage rate applicable to the tangible personal property.
- 6. The term "county tax assessment" is the sum of all parcel tax assessments and tangible personal property tax assessments in a county for property owned by the applicant and for which an exemption is being sought.
- (b) The county net community benefit expense, to be determined by the applicant, is that portion of the net

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- community benefit expense reported by the applicant on its most recently filed Internal Revenue Service Form 990, schedule H, attributable to those services and activities provided or performed by the hospital in a county.
- (c) The application by a hospital for an exemption under this section must include, but is not limited to:
- 1. A copy of the hospital owner's most recently filed Internal Revenue Service Form 990, schedule H.
 - 2. A schedule displaying:
- a. The county net community benefit expense for each county in this state in which properties are located;
- b. The portion of net community benefit expense reported by the applicant on its most recently filed Internal Revenue Service Form 990, schedule H, attributable to those services and activities provided or performed by the hospital outside of this state; and
- c. The sum of amounts provided under sub-subparagraphs a.

 and b., which must equal the total net community benefit expense
 reported by the applicant on its most recently filed Internal
 Revenue Service Form 990, schedule H.
- 3. A statement signed by the hospital's chief executive officer and independent certified public accountant that, upon each person's reasonable knowledge and belief, the statement of the county net community benefit expense is true and correct.
 - Section 14. Section 196.198, Florida Statutes, is amended

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Educational property exemption.—Educational institutions within this state and their property used by them or by any other exempt entity or educational institution exclusively for educational purposes are exempt from taxation. Sheltered workshops providing rehabilitation and retraining of individuals who have disabilities and exempted by a certificate under s. (d) of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, are declared wholly educational in purpose and are exempt from certification, accreditation, and membership requirements set forth in s. 196.012. Those portions of property of college fraternities and sororities certified by the president of the college or university to the appropriate property appraiser as being essential to the educational process are exempt from ad valorem taxation. The use of property by public fairs and expositions chartered by chapter 616 is presumed to be an educational use of such property and is exempt from ad valorem taxation to the extent of such use. Property used exclusively for educational purposes shall be deemed owned by an educational institution if the entity owning 100 percent of the educational institution is owned by the identical persons who own the property, or if the entity owning 100 percent of the educational institution and the entity owning the property are owned by the identical natural persons. Land, buildings, and other improvements to real property used exclusively for

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educational purposes if the governmental agency continues to use such property exclusively for educational purposes pursuant to a sublease or other contractual agreement with that lessee. If the title to land is held by the trustee of an irrevocable inter vivos trust and if the trust grantor owns 100 percent of the entity that owns an educational institution that is using the land exclusively for educational purposes, the land is deemed to be property owned by the educational institution for purposes of this exemption. Property owned by an educational institution shall be deemed to be used for an educational purpose if the institution has taken affirmative steps to prepare the property for educational use. The term "affirmative steps" means environmental or land use permitting activities, creation of architectural plans or schematic drawings, land clearing or site preparation, construction or renovation activities, or other similar activities that demonstrate commitment of the property to an educational use.

Section 15. Effective upon this act becoming a law, paragraphs (b) through (f) of subsection (2) of section 200.065, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

200.065 Method of fixing millage.-

(2) No millage shall be levied until a resolution or ordinance has been approved by the governing board of the taxing authority which resolution or ordinance must be approved by the taxing authority according to the following procedure:

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Within 35 days after of certification of value pursuant to subsection (1), each taxing authority shall advise the property appraiser of its proposed millage rate, of its rolled-back rate computed pursuant to subsection (1), and of the date, time, and place at which a public hearing will be held to consider the proposed millage rate and the tentative budget. The property appraiser shall utilize this information in preparing the notice of proposed property taxes pursuant to s. 200.069. The deadline for mailing the notice shall be the later of 55 days after certification of value pursuant to subsection (1) or 10 days after either the date the tax roll is approved or the interim roll procedures under s. 193.1145 are instituted. However, for counties for which a state of emergency was declared by executive order or proclamation of the Governor pursuant to chapter 252, if mailing is not possible during the state of emergency, the property appraiser may post the notice on the county's website. If the deadline for mailing the notice of proposed property taxes is 10 days after the date the tax roll is approved or the interim roll procedures are instituted, all subsequent deadlines provided in this section shall be extended. In addition, the deadline for mailing the notice may be extended for 30 days in counties for which a state of emergency was declared by executive order or proclamation of the Governor pursuant to chapter 252, and property appraisers may use alternate methods of distribution only when mailing the

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notice is not possible. In such event, however, property appraisers must work with county tax collectors to ensure the timely assessment and collection of taxes. The number of days by which the deadlines shall be extended shall equal the number of days by which the deadline for mailing the notice of proposed taxes is extended beyond 55 days after certification. If any taxing authority fails to provide the information required in this paragraph to the property appraiser in a timely fashion, the taxing authority shall be prohibited from levying a millage rate greater than the rolled-back rate computed pursuant to subsection (1) for the upcoming fiscal year, which rate shall be computed by the property appraiser and used in preparing the notice of proposed property taxes. Each multicounty taxing authority that levies taxes in any county that has extended the deadline for mailing the notice due to a declared state of emergency and that has noticed hearings in other counties must advertise the hearing at which it intends to adopt a tentative budget and millage rate in a newspaper of general paid circulation within each county not less than 2 days or more than 5 days before the hearing.

(d) Within 15 days after the meeting adopting the tentative budget, the taxing authority shall advertise in a newspaper of general circulation in the county as provided in subsection (3), its intent to finally adopt a millage rate and budget. A public hearing to finalize the budget and adopt a

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millage rate shall be held not less than 2 days nor more than 5 days after the day that the advertisement is first published. In the event of a need to postpone or recess the final meeting due to a declared state of emergency, the taxing authority may postpone or recess the hearing for up to 7 days and shall post a prominent notice at the place of the original hearing showing the date, time, and place where the hearing will be reconvened. The posted notice shall measure not less than 8.5 by 11 inches. The taxing authority shall make every reasonable effort to provide reasonable notification of the continued hearing to the taxpayers. The information must also be posted on the taxing authority's website. During the hearing, the governing body of the taxing authority shall amend the adopted tentative budget as it sees fit, adopt a final budget, and adopt a resolution or ordinance stating the millage rate to be levied. The resolution or ordinance shall state the percent, if any, by which the millage rate to be levied exceeds the rolled-back rate computed pursuant to subsection (1), which shall be characterized as the percentage increase in property taxes adopted by the governing body. The adoption of the budget and the millage-levy resolution or ordinance shall be by separate votes. For each taxing authority levying millage, the name of the taxing authority, the rolled-back rate, the percentage increase, and the millage rate to be levied shall be publicly announced before prior to the adoption of the millage-levy resolution or ordinance. In no

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event may the millage rate adopted pursuant to this paragraph exceed the millage rate tentatively adopted pursuant to paragraph (c). If the rate tentatively adopted pursuant to paragraph (c) exceeds the proposed rate provided to the property appraiser pursuant to paragraph (b), or as subsequently adjusted pursuant to subsection (11), each taxpayer within the jurisdiction of the taxing authority shall be sent notice by first-class mail of his or her taxes under the tentatively adopted millage rate and his or her taxes under the previously proposed rate. The notice must be prepared by the property appraiser, at the expense of the taxing authority, and must generally conform to the requirements of s. 200.069. If such additional notice is necessary, its mailing must precede the hearing held pursuant to this paragraph by not less than 10 days and not more than 15 days.

(e)1. In the hearings required pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (d), the first substantive issue discussed shall be the percentage increase in millage over the rolled-back rate necessary to fund the budget, if any, and the specific purposes for which ad valorem tax revenues are being increased. During such discussion, the governing body shall hear comments regarding the proposed increase and explain the reasons for the proposed increase over the rolled-back rate. The general public shall be allowed to speak and to ask questions before prior to adoption of any measures by the governing body. The governing

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These hearings shall be held after 5 p.m. if scheduled on a day other than Saturday. No hearing shall be held on a Sunday. The county commission shall not schedule its hearings on days scheduled for hearings by the school board. The hearing dates scheduled by the county commission and school board shall not be utilized by any other taxing authority within the county for its public hearings. However, in counties for which a state of emergency was declared by executive order or proclamation of the Governor pursuant to chapter 252 and the rescheduling of hearings on the same day is unavoidable, the county commission and school board must conduct their hearings at different times, and other taxing authorities must schedule their hearings so as not to conflict with the times of the county commission and school board hearings. A multicounty taxing authority shall make every reasonable effort to avoid scheduling hearings on days utilized by the counties or school districts within its jurisdiction. Tax levies and budgets for dependent special taxing districts shall be adopted at the hearings for the taxing authority to which such districts are dependent, following such discussion and adoption of levies and budgets for the superior taxing authority. A taxing authority may adopt the tax levies for all of its dependent special taxing districts, and may adopt the budgets for all of its dependent special taxing districts,

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by a single unanimous vote. However, if a member of the general public requests that the tax levy or budget of a dependent special taxing district be separately discussed and separately adopted, the taxing authority shall discuss and adopt that tax levy or budget separately. If, due to circumstances beyond the control of the taxing authority, including a state of emergency declared by executive order or proclamation of the Governor pursuant to chapter 252, the hearing provided for in paragraph (c) or paragraph (d) is recessed or postponed, the taxing authority shall publish a notice in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the county. The notice shall state the time and place for the continuation of the hearing and shall be published at least 2 days but not more than 5 days before prior to the date the hearing will be continued. In the event of postponement or recess due to a declared state of emergency, all subsequent dates in this section shall be extended by the number of days of the postponement or recess. Notice of the postponement or recess must be in writing by the affected taxing authority to the tax collector, the property appraiser, and the Department of Revenue within 3 calendar days after the postponement or recess. In the event of such extension, the affected taxing authority must work with the county tax collector and property appraiser to ensure timely assessment and collection of taxes. Notwithstanding any provisions of paragraph (c) to

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the contrary, each school district shall advertise its intent to

 adopt a tentative budget in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to subsection (3) within 29 days after of certification of value pursuant to subsection (1). Not less than 2 days or more than 5 days thereafter, the district shall hold a public hearing on the tentative budget pursuant to the applicable provisions of paragraph (c). In the event of postponement or recess due to a declared state of emergency, the school district may postpone or recess the hearing for up to 7 days and shall post a prominent notice at the place of the original hearing showing the date, time, and place where the hearing will be reconvened. The posted notice shall measure not less than 8.5 by 11 inches. The school district shall make every reasonable effort to provide reasonable notification of the continued hearing to the taxpayers. The information must also be posted on the school district's website.

- 2. Notwithstanding any provisions of paragraph (b) to the contrary, each school district shall advise the property appraiser of its recomputed proposed millage rate within 35 days after of certification of value pursuant to subsection (1). The recomputed proposed millage rate of the school district shall be considered its proposed millage rate for the purposes of paragraph (b).
- 3. Notwithstanding any provisions of paragraph (d) to the contrary, each school district shall hold a public hearing to finalize the budget and adopt a millage rate within 80 days

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after of certification of value pursuant to subsection (1), but not earlier than 65 days after certification. The hearing shall be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of paragraph (d), except that a newspaper advertisement need not precede the hearing.

Section 16. Section 200.069, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

Notice of proposed property taxes and non-ad valorem assessments.—Pursuant to s. 200.065(2)(b), the property appraiser, in the name of the taxing authorities and local governing boards levying non-ad valorem assessments within his or her jurisdiction and at the expense of the county, shall prepare and deliver by first-class mail to each taxpayer to be listed on the current year's assessment roll a notice of proposed property taxes, which notice shall contain the elements and use the format provided in the following form. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 195.022, no county officer shall use a form other than that provided herein. The Department of Revenue may adjust the spacing and placement on the form of the elements listed in this section as it considers necessary based on changes in conditions necessitated by various taxing authorities. If the elements are in the order listed, the placement of the listed columns may be varied at the discretion and expense of the property appraiser, and the property appraiser may use printing technology and devices to complete

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the form, the spacing, and the placement of the information in the columns. In addition, the property appraiser may only include in the mailing of the notice of ad valorem taxes and non-ad valorem assessments additional statements explaining any item on the notice and any other information relevant to property owners. A county officer may use a form other than that provided by the department for purposes of this part, but only if his or her office pays the related expenses and he or she obtains prior written permission from the executive director of the department; however, a county officer may not use a form the substantive content of which is at variance with the form prescribed by the department. The county officer may continue to use such an approved form until the law that specifies the form is amended or repealed or until the officer receives written disapproval from the executive director.

(1) The first page of the notice shall read:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAXES

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The taxing authorities which levy property taxes against your property will soon hold PUBLIC HEARINGS to adopt budgets and tax rates for the next year.

The purpose of these PUBLIC HEARINGS is to receive opinions from the general public and to answer questions on the proposed tax change and budget PRIOR TO TAKING FINAL ACTION.

Each taxing authority may AMEND OR ALTER its proposals at

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1301 the hearing.

- (2) (a) The notice shall include a brief legal description of the property, the name and mailing address of the owner of record, and the tax information applicable to the specific parcel in question. The information shall be in columnar form. There shall be seven column headings which shall read: "Taxing Authority," "Your Property Taxes Last Year," "Last Year's Adjusted Tax Rate (Millage)," "Your Taxes This Year IF NO Budget Change Is Adopted," "Tax Rate This Year IF PROPOSED Budget Is Adopted (Millage)," "Your Taxes This Year IF PROPOSED Budget Change Is Adopted," and "A Public Hearing on the Proposed Taxes and Budget Will Be Held:."
- (b) As used in this section, the term "last year's adjusted tax rate" means the rolled-back rate calculated pursuant to s. 200.065(1).
- (3) There shall be under each column heading an entry for the county; the school district levy required pursuant to s. 1011.60(6); other operating school levies; the municipality or municipal service taxing unit or units in which the parcel lies, if any; the water management district levying pursuant to s. 373.503; the independent special districts in which the parcel lies, if any; and for all voted levies for debt service applicable to the parcel, if any.
- (4) For each entry listed in subsection (3), there shall appear on the notice the following:

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- (a) In the first column, a brief, commonly used name for the taxing authority or its governing body. The entry in the first column for the levy required pursuant to s. 1011.60(6) shall be "By State Law." The entry for other operating school district levies shall be "By Local Board." Both school levy entries shall be indented and preceded by the notation "Public Schools:". For each voted levy for debt service, the entry shall be "Voter Approved Debt Payments."
- (b) In the second column, the gross amount of ad valorem taxes levied against the parcel in the previous year. If the parcel did not exist in the previous year, the second column shall be blank.
- (c) In the third column, last year's adjusted tax rate or, in the case of voted levies for debt service, the tax rate previously authorized by referendum.
- (d) In the fourth column, the gross amount of ad valorem taxes which will apply to the parcel in the current year if each taxing authority levies last year's adjusted tax rate or, in the case of voted levies for debt service, the amount previously authorized by referendum.
- (e) In the fifth column, the tax rate that each taxing authority must levy against the parcel to fund the proposed budget or, in the case of voted levies for debt service, the tax rate previously authorized by referendum.
 - (f) In the sixth column, the gross amount of ad valorem

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taxes that must be levied in the current year if the proposed budget is adopted.

- (g) In the seventh column, the date, the time, and a brief description of the location of the public hearing required pursuant to s. 200.065(2)(c).
- (5) Following the entries for each taxing authority, a final entry shall show: in the first column, the words "Total Property Taxes:" and in the second, fourth, and sixth columns, the sum of the entries for each of the individual taxing authorities. The second, fourth, and sixth columns shall, immediately below said entries, be labeled Column 1, Column 2, and Column 3, respectively. Below these labels shall appear, in boldfaced type, the statement: SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR EXPLANATION.
- (6)(a) The second page of the notice shall state the parcel's market value and for each taxing authority that levies an ad valorem tax against the parcel:
- 1. The assessed value, value of exemptions, and taxable value for the previous year and the current year.
- 2. Each assessment reduction and exemption applicable to the property, including the value of the assessment reduction or exemption and tax levies to which they apply.
- (b) The reverse side of the second page shall contain definitions and explanations for the values included on the front side.
 - (7) The following statement shall appear after the values

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 1376 listed on the front of the second page:

If you feel that the market value of your property is inaccurate or does not reflect fair market value, or if you are entitled to an exemption or classification that is not reflected above, contact your county property appraiser at ... (phone number)... or ... (location)....

If the property appraiser's office is unable to resolve the matter as to market value, classification, or an exemption, you may file a petition for adjustment with the Value Adjustment Board. Petition forms are available from the county property appraiser and must be filed ON OR BEFORE ...(date)....

(8) The reverse side of the first page of the form shall read:

EXPLANATION

*COLUMN 1-"YOUR PROPERTY TAXES LAST YEAR"

This column shows the taxes that applied last year to your property. These amounts were based on budgets adopted last year and your property's previous taxable value.

*COLUMN 2-"YOUR TAXES IF NO BUDGET CHANGE IS ADOPTED"

This column shows what your taxes will be this year IF EACH

TAXING AUTHORITY DOES NOT CHANGE ITS PROPERTY TAX LEVY. These

amounts are based on last year's budgets and your current

assessment.

*COLUMN 3-"YOUR TAXES IF PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGE IS ADOPTED"

This column shows what your taxes will be this year under the

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BUDGET ACTUALLY PROPOSED by each local taxing authority. The

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proposal is NOT final and may be amended at the public hearings shown on the front side of this notice. The difference between columns 2 and 3 is the tax change proposed by each local taxing authority and is NOT the result of higher assessments. *Note: Amounts shown on this form do NOT reflect early payment discounts you may have received or may be eligible to receive. (Discounts are a maximum of 4 percent of the amounts shown on this form.) (9) The bottom portion of the notice shall further read in bold, conspicuous print: "Your final tax bill may contain non-ad valorem assessments which may not be reflected on this notice such as assessments for roads, fire, garbage, lighting, drainage, water, sewer, or other governmental services and facilities which may be levied by your county, city, or any special district." (10)(a) If requested by the local governing board levying non-ad valorem assessments and agreed to by the property

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agreed, the notice shall be titled:

AND PROPOSED OR ADOPTED

appraiser, the notice specified in this section may contain a

notice of proposed or adopted non-ad valorem assessments. If so

NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

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There must be a clear partition between the notice of proposed property taxes and the notice of proposed or adopted non-ad valorem assessments. The partition must be a bold, horizontal line approximately 1/8-inch thick. By rule, the department shall provide a format for the form of the notice of proposed or adopted non-ad valorem assessments which meets the following minimum requirements:

- 1. There must be subheading for columns listing the levying local governing board, with corresponding assessment rates expressed in dollars and cents per unit of assessment, and the associated assessment amount.
- 2. The purpose of each assessment must also be listed in the column listing the levying local governing board if the purpose is not clearly indicated by the name of the board.
- 3. Each non-ad valorem assessment for each levying local governing board must be listed separately.
- 4. If a county has too many municipal service benefit units or assessments to be listed separately, it shall combine them by function.
- 5. A brief statement outlining the responsibility of the tax collector and each levying local governing board as to any non-ad valorem assessment must be provided on the form, accompanied by directions as to which office to contact for particular questions or problems.
 - (b) If the notice includes all adopted non-ad valorem

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assessments, the provisions contained in subsection (9) shall not be placed on the notice.

- Section 17. Effective January 1, 2021, paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) of section 202.12, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 202.12 Sales of communications services.—The Legislature finds that every person who engages in the business of selling communications services at retail in this state is exercising a taxable privilege. It is the intent of the Legislature that the tax imposed by chapter 203 be administered as provided in this chapter.
- (1) For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied on each taxable transaction and is due and payable as follows:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, at the rate of 4.42 4.92 percent applied to the sales price of the communications service that:
 - 1. Originates and terminates in this state, or
- 2. Originates or terminates in this state and is charged to a service address in this state,

when sold at retail, computed on each taxable sale for the purpose of remitting the tax due. The gross receipts tax imposed by chapter 203 shall be collected on the same taxable transactions and remitted with the tax imposed by this paragraph. If no tax is imposed by this paragraph due to the

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exemption provided under s. 202.125(1), the tax imposed by chapter 203 shall nevertheless be collected and remitted in the manner and at the time prescribed for tax collections and remittances under this chapter.

(b) At the rate of 8.57 9.07 percent applied to the retail sales price of any direct-to-home satellite service received in this state. The proceeds of the tax imposed under this paragraph shall be accounted for and distributed in accordance with s. 202.18(2). The gross receipts tax imposed by chapter 203 shall be collected on the same taxable transactions and remitted with the tax imposed by this paragraph.

Section 18. Effective January 1, 2021, section 202.12001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

202.12001 Combined rate for tax collected pursuant to ss. 202.12(1)(a) and 203.01(1)(b).—In complying with ss. 1-3, ch. 2010-149, Laws of Florida, the dealer of communication services may collect a combined rate of 4.57 5.07 percent, composed of the 4.42 4.92 percent and 0.15 percent rates required by ss. 202.12(1)(a) and 203.01(1)(b)3., respectively, if the provider properly reflects the tax collected with respect to the two provisions as required in the return to the department.

Section 19. Effective January 1, 2021, section 203.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

203.001 Combined rate for tax collected pursuant to ss. 202.12(1)(a) and 203.01(1)(b).—In complying with ss. 1-3, ch.

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2010-149, Laws of Florida, the dealer of communication services may collect a combined rate of 4.57 5.07 percent, composed of the 4.42 4.92 percent and 0.15 percent rates required by ss. 202.12(1)(a) and 203.01(1)(b)3., respectively, if the provider properly reflects the tax collected with respect to the two provisions as required in the return to the Department of Revenue.

Section 20. Subsection (1) of section 206.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

206.05 Bond required of licensed terminal supplier, importer, exporter, or wholesaler.—

wholesaler, except a municipality, county, school board, state agency, federal agency, or special district which is licensed under this part, shall file with the department a bond in a penal sum of not more than \$300,000 \$100,000, such sum to be approximately 3 times the combined average monthly tax levied under this part and local option tax on motor fuel paid or due during the preceding 12 calendar months under the laws of this state. An exporter shall file a bond in an amount equal to 3 times the average monthly tax due on gallons acquired for export. The bond shall be in such form as may be approved by the department, executed by a surety company duly licensed to do business under the laws of the state as surety thereon, and conditioned upon the prompt filing of true reports and the

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 payment to the department of any and all fuel taxes levied under this chapter including local option taxes which are now or which hereafter may be levied or imposed, together with any and all penalties and interest thereon, and generally upon faithful compliance with the provisions of the fuel tax and local option tax laws of the state. The licensee shall be the principal obligor, and the state shall be the obligee. An assigned time deposit or irrevocable letter of credit may be accepted in lieu of a surety bond.

Section 21. Subsection (6) of section 206.8741, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

206.8741 Dyeing and marking; notice requirements.-

- (6) Any person who fails to provide or post the required notice with respect to any dyed diesel fuel is subject to \underline{a} penalty of \$2500 for each month such failure occurs the penalty imposed by s. 206.872(11).
- Section 22. Subsection (1) section 206.90, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 206.90 Bond required of terminal suppliers, importers, and wholesalers.—
- (1) Every terminal supplier, importer, or wholesaler, except a municipality, county, state agency, federal agency, school board, or special district, shall file with the department a bond or bonds in the penal sum of not more than \$300,000 \$100,000. The sum of such bond shall be approximately 3

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times the average monthly diesel fuels tax and local option tax on diesel fuels paid or due during the preceding 12 calendar months, with a surety approved by the department. The licensee shall be the principal obligor and the state shall be the obligee, conditioned upon the faithful compliance with the provisions of this chapter, including the local option tax laws. If the sum of 3 times a licensee's average monthly tax is less than \$50, no bond shall be required.

Section 23. Section 206.9826, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

206.9826 Refund for certain air carriers.—An air carrier conducting scheduled operations or all-cargo operations that are authorized under 14 C.F.R. part 121, 14 C.F.R. part 129, or 14 C.F.R. part 135, is entitled to receive a refund of $\frac{2.38}{1.42}$ cents per gallon of the taxes imposed by this part on aviation fuel purchased by such air carrier. The refund provided under this section plus the refund provided under s. 206.9855 may not exceed 4.27 cents per gallon of aviation fuel purchased by an air carrier.

Section 24. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 212.0305, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

212.0305 Convention development taxes; intent; administration; authorization; use of proceeds.—

(4) AUTHORIZATION TO LEVY; USE OF PROCEEDS; OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—

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- (b) Charter county levy for convention development.-
 - 1. Each county, as defined in s. 125.011(1), may impose, under an ordinance enacted by the governing body of the county, a levy on the exercise within its boundaries of the taxable privilege of leasing or letting transient rental accommodations described in subsection (3) at the rate of 3 percent of the total consideration charged therefor. The proceeds of this levy shall be known as the charter county convention development tax.
 - 2. All charter county convention development moneys, including any interest accrued thereon, received by a county imposing the levy shall be used for the following purposes only as follows:
 - a. Revenues may be used to complete any project underway as of the effective date of this act, or to perform any contract in existence on the effective date of this act, funded under this paragraph as this paragraph existed before the effective date of this act. Revenues may not be used to renew or extend such projects or contracts. Bonds or other debt outstanding as of the effective date of this act may be refinanced, but the duration of such debt pledging the convention development tax may not be extended and the outstanding principal may not be increased, except to account for the costs of issuance.
 - <u>b.</u> Revenues not needed for projects, contracts, or debt obligations pursuant to sub-subparagraph a. shall be distributed and used as follows:

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- (I) One-half of the proceeds shall be distributed monthly to the governing boards of municipalities within the county.

 Distributions to each municipality shall be in proportion to the amount collected in the prior month within each municipality as a share of the total collected in the prior month in all municipalities in the county. These distributions may be used by the receiving jurisdiction to:

 (A) Acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, operate, or maintain one or more of the following: a
- (A) Acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, operate, or maintain one or more of the following: a convention center, an exhibition hall, a coliseum, an auditorium, or a related building or parking facility in the jurisdiction; or
- (B) Promote and advertise tourism and to fund convention bureaus, tourist bureaus, tourist information centers, and news bureaus. Municipalities receiving revenue under this sub-sub-subparagraph may enter into an interlocal agreement to use such revenue to receive services provided by the entity receiving funds under sub-subparagraph s. 212.0305(4)(b)2.b.(III).
- (II) One-half of the proceeds shall be distributed monthly to the governing body of the county to:
- (A) Acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, plan for, operate, manage, or maintain one or more of the following: a convention center, an exhibition hall, a coliseum, an auditorium, or a related building or parking facility in the county; or

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- (B) Be allocated by the county to a countywide convention and visitors bureau which, by interlocal agreement and contract with the county, has the primary responsibility for promoting the county and its constituent cities as a destination site for conventions, trade shows, and pleasure travel, to be used for purposes provided in s. 125.0104(5)(a)2. or 3., 1992 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1991. If the county is not or is no longer a party to such an interlocal agreement and contract with a countywide convention and visitors bureau, the county shall allocate the proceeds of such tax for the purposes described in s. 125.0104(5)(a)2. or 3., 1992 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1991.
- a. Two-thirds of the proceeds shall be used to extend, enlarge, and improve the largest existing publicly owned convention center in the county.
- b. One-third of the proceeds shall be used to construct a new multipurpose convention/coliseum/exhibition center/stadium or the maximum components thereof as funds permit in the most populous municipality in the county.
- c. After the completion of any project under subsubparagraph a., the tax revenues and interest accrued under
 sub-subparagraph a. may be used to acquire, construct, extend,
 enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, plan for, operate, manage, or
 maintain one or more convention centers, stadiums, exhibition
 halls, arenas, coliseums, auditoriums, or golf courses, and may

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be used to acquire and construct an intercity light rail transportation system as described in the Light Rail Transit System Status Report to the Legislature dated April 1988, which shall provide a means to transport persons to and from the largest existing publicly owned convention center in the county and the hotels north of the convention center and to and from the downtown area of the most populous municipality in the county as determined by the county.

d. After completion of any project under sub-subparagraph b., the tax revenues and interest accrued under sub-subparagraph b. may be used, as determined by the county, to operate an authority created pursuant to subparagraph 4. or to acquire, construct, extend, enlarge, remodel, repair, improve, operate, or maintain one or more convention centers, stadiums, exhibition halls, arenas, coliseums, auditoriums, golf courses, or related buildings and parking facilities in the most populous municipality in the county.

e. For the purposes of completion of any project pursuant to this paragraph, tax revenues and interest accrued may be used:

(I) As collateral, pledged, or hypothecated for projects authorized by this paragraph, including bonds issued in connection therewith; or

(II) As a pledge or capital contribution in conjunction with a partnership, joint venture, or other business arrangement

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between a municipality and one or more business entities for projects authorized by this paragraph.

- 3. The governing body of each municipality in which a municipal tourist tax is levied may adopt a resolution prohibiting imposition of the charter county convention development levy within such municipality. If the governing body adopts such a resolution, the convention development levy shall be imposed by the county in all other areas of the county except such municipality. No funds collected pursuant to this paragraph may be expended in a municipality which has adopted such a resolution.
- 4.a. Before the county enacts an ordinance imposing the levy, the county shall notify the governing body of each municipality in which projects are to be developed pursuant to sub-subparagraph 2.a., sub-subparagraph 2.b., sub-subparagraph 2.c., or sub-subparagraph 2.d. As a condition precedent to receiving funding, the governing bodies of such municipalities shall designate or appoint an authority that shall have the sole power to:
- (I) Approve the concept, location, program, and design of the facilities or improvements to be built in accordance with this paragraph and to administer and disburse such proceeds and any other related source of revenue.
- (II) Appoint and dismiss the authority's executive director, general counsel, and any other consultants retained by

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the authority. The governing body shall have the right to approve or disapprove the initial appointment of the authority's executive director and general counsel.

b. The members of each such authority shall serve for a term of not less than 1 year and shall be appointed by the governing body of such municipality. The annual budget of such authority shall be subject to approval of the governing body of the municipality. If the governing body does not approve the budget, the authority shall use as the authority's budget the previous fiscal year budget.

c. The authority, by resolution to be adopted from time to time, may invest and reinvest the proceeds from the convention development tax and any other revenues generated by the authority in the same manner that the municipality in which the authority is located may invest surplus funds.

- $\underline{4.5.}$ The charter county convention development levy shall be in addition to any other levy imposed pursuant to this section.
- 5.6. A certified copy of the ordinance imposing the levy shall be furnished by the county to the department within 10 days after approval of such ordinance. The effective date of imposition of the levy shall be the first day of any month at least 60 days after enactment of the ordinance.
- $\underline{6.7.}$ Revenues collected pursuant to this paragraph shall be deposited in a convention development trust fund, which shall

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- be established by the county as a condition precedent to receipt of such funds.
- Section 25. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 212.0306, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 212.0306 Local option food and beverage tax; procedure for levying; authorized uses; administration.—
 - (1) Any county, as defined in s. 125.011(1), may impose the following additional taxes, by ordinance adopted by a majority vote of the governing body:
 - (a) At the rate of 2 percent on the sale of food, beverages, or alcoholic beverages in hotels and motels only.

 Beginning July 1, 2020, this tax shall be known as the "Local Option Coastal Recovery and Resiliency Tax."
 - (3) (a) The proceeds of the tax authorized by paragraph (1) (a) shall be allocated by the county to a countywide convention and visitors bureau which, by interlocal agreement and contract with the county in effect on the effective date of this act, has been given the primary responsibility for promoting the county and its constituent cities as a destination site for conventions, trade shows, and pleasure travel, to be used for purposes provided in s. 125.0104(5)(a)2. or 3., 1992 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1991. The interlocal agreement and contract may not be renewed or extended. At the expiration or completion of the interlocal agreement and

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1751	contract in effect on the effective date of this act, the
1752	proceeds shall be distributed to the governing board of the
1753	county and used for one or more of the following, as decided by
1754	a majority of the governing board of the county:
1755	1. Water quality improvement projects, including, but not
1756	<pre>limited to:</pre>
1757	a. Flood mitigation.
1758	b. Seagrass or seaweed removal.
1759	c. Algae control, cleanup, or prevention measures.
1760	d. Biscayne Bay and waterway network restoration measures.
1761	e. Septic-to-sewer conversion projects that are primarily
1762	undertaken to reduce or prevent the discharge of untreated or
1763	partially treated wastewater into surface water that is
1764	important to the local tourism industry if the applicable septic
1765	tank is:
1766	(I) Within 2 miles of any surface water other than those
1767	designated as Outstanding Florida Waters as provided in s.
1768	403.061(27); or
1769	(II) Within 5 miles of any surface water designated as
1770	Outstanding Florida Waters pursuant to s. 403.061(27).
1771	2. Erosion control.
1772	3. Mangrove protection.
1773	4. Removal of invasive plant and animal species.
1774	5. Beach renourishment.

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Purchase of land for conservation purposes.

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 7. Coral reef protection If the county is not or is no longer a party to such an interlocal agreement and contract with a countywide convention and visitors bureau, the county shall allocate the proceeds of such tax for the purposes described in s. 125.0104(5)(a)2. or 3., 1992 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1991.

Section 26. Effective January 1, 2021, paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (1) of section 212.031, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

212.031 Tax on rental or license fee for use of real property.—

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(c) For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied at the rate of 5.4 5.5 percent of and on the total rent or license fee charged for such real property by the person charging or collecting the rental or license fee. The total rent or license fee charged for such real property shall include payments for the granting of a privilege to use or occupy real property for any purpose and shall include base rent, percentage rents, or similar charges. Such charges shall be included in the total rent or license fee subject to tax under this section whether or not they can be attributed to the ability of the lessor's or licensor's property as used or operated to attract customers. Payments for intrinsically valuable personal property such as franchises, trademarks, service marks, logos, or patents are not

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subject to tax under this section. In the case of a contractual arrangement that provides for both payments taxable as total rent or license fee and payments not subject to tax, the tax shall be based on a reasonable allocation of such payments and shall not apply to that portion which is for the nontaxable payments.

(d) If the rental or license fee of any such real property is paid by way of property, goods, wares, merchandise, services, or other thing of value, the tax shall be at the rate of 5.4 5.5 percent of the value of the property, goods, wares, merchandise, services, or other thing of value.

Section 27. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 212.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

212.05 Sales, storage, use tax.—It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that every person is exercising a taxable privilege who engages in the business of selling tangible personal property at retail in this state, including the business of making mail order sales, or who rents or furnishes any of the things or services taxable under this chapter, 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.

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

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- (a)1.a. At the rate of 6 percent of the sales price of each item or article of tangible personal property when sold at retail in this state, computed on each taxable sale for the purpose of remitting the amount of tax due the state, and including each and every retail sale.
- Each occasional or isolated sale of an aircraft, boat, mobile home, or motor vehicle of a class or type which is required to be registered, licensed, titled, or documented in this state or by the United States Government shall be subject to tax at the rate provided in this paragraph. The department shall by rule adopt any nationally recognized publication for valuation of used motor vehicles as the reference price list for any used motor vehicle which is required to be licensed pursuant to s. 320.08(1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (c), or (e), or (9). If any party to an occasional or isolated sale of such a vehicle reports to the tax collector a sales price which is less than 80 percent of the average loan price for the specified model and year of such vehicle as listed in the most recent reference price list, the tax levied under this paragraph shall be computed by the department on such average loan price unless the parties to the sale have provided to the tax collector an affidavit signed by each party, or other substantial proof, stating the actual sales price. Any party to such sale who reports a sales price less than the actual sales price is quilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in

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- s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. The department shall collect or attempt to collect from such party any delinquent sales taxes. In addition, such party shall pay any tax due and any penalty and interest assessed plus a penalty equal to twice the amount of the additional tax owed. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of Revenue may waive or compromise any penalty imposed pursuant to this subparagraph.
- This paragraph does not apply to the sale of a boat or aircraft by or through a registered dealer under this chapter to a purchaser who, at the time of taking delivery, is a nonresident of this state, does not make his or her permanent place of abode in this state, and is not engaged in carrying on in this state any employment, trade, business, or profession in which the boat or aircraft will be used in this state, or is a corporation none of the officers or directors of which is a resident of, or makes his or her permanent place of abode in, this state, or is a noncorporate entity that has no individual vested with authority to participate in the management, direction, or control of the entity's affairs who is a resident of, or makes his or her permanent abode in, this state. For purposes of this exemption, either a registered dealer acting on his or her own behalf as seller, a registered dealer acting as broker on behalf of a seller, or a registered dealer acting as broker on behalf of the purchaser may be deemed to be the selling dealer. This exemption shall not be allowed unless:

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- a. The purchaser removes a qualifying boat, as described in sub-subparagraph f., from the state within 90 days after the date of purchase or extension, or the purchaser removes a nonqualifying boat or an aircraft from this state within 10 days after the date of purchase or, when the boat or aircraft is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of the repairs or alterations; or if the aircraft will be registered in 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
- (III) The aircraft is operated in the state solely to remove it from the state to a foreign jurisdiction.

For purposes of this sub-subparagraph, the term "foreign jurisdiction" means any jurisdiction outside of the United States or any of its territories;

b. The purchaser, within 90 30 days from the date of departure, provides the department with written proof that the purchaser licensed, registered, titled, or documented the boat or aircraft outside the state. If such written proof is

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- unavailable, within 90 30 days the purchaser shall provide proof that the purchaser applied for such license, title, registration, or documentation. The purchaser shall forward to the department proof of title, license, registration, or documentation upon receipt;
- c. The purchaser, within 30 10 days after of removing the boat or aircraft from Florida, furnishes the department with proof of removal in the form of receipts for fuel, dockage, slippage, tie-down, or hangaring from outside of Florida. The information so provided must clearly and specifically identify the boat or aircraft;
- d. The selling dealer, within 30 ± 6 days after 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 of this section;
- e. The seller makes a copy of the affidavit a part of his or her record for as long as required by s. 213.35; and
- f. Unless the nonresident purchaser of a boat of 5 net tons of admeasurement or larger intends to remove the boat from this state within 10 days after the date of purchase or when the boat is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of the repairs or alterations, the nonresident purchaser applies to the selling dealer for a decal which authorizes 90 days after the date of purchase for removal of the boat. The nonresident

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 purchaser of a qualifying boat may apply to the selling dealer within 60 days after the date of purchase for an extension decal that authorizes the boat to remain in this state for an additional 90 days, but not more than a total of 180 days, before the nonresident purchaser is required to pay the tax imposed by this chapter. The department is authorized to issue decals in advance to dealers. The number of decals issued in advance to a dealer shall be consistent with the volume of the dealer's past sales of boats which qualify under this subsubparagraph. The selling dealer or his or her agent shall mark and affix the decals to qualifying boats in the manner prescribed by the department, before delivery of the boat.

- (I) The department is hereby authorized to charge dealers a fee sufficient to recover the costs of decals issued, except the extension decal shall cost \$425.
- (II) The proceeds from the sale of decals will be deposited 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.
 - (V) Any dealer or his or her agent who issues a decal

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falsely, fails to affix a decal, mismarks the expiration date of a decal, or fails to properly account for decals 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 mandatory penalty of 200 percent of the tax, and shall be liable for fine and punishment as provided by law for a conviction of a misdemeanor of the first degree, as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

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

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If the purchaser fails to remove the qualifying boat from this state within the maximum 180 days after purchase or a nonqualifying boat or an aircraft from this state within 10 days after purchase or, when the boat or aircraft is repaired or altered, within 20 days after completion of such repairs or alterations, or permits the boat or aircraft to return to this state within 6 months from the date of departure, except as provided in s. 212.08(7)(fff), or if the purchaser fails to furnish the department with any of the documentation required by this subparagraph within the prescribed time period, the purchaser shall be liable for use tax on the cost price of the boat or aircraft and, in addition thereto, payment of a penalty to the Department of Revenue equal to the tax payable. This penalty shall be in lieu of the penalty imposed by s. 212.12(2). The maximum 180-day period following the sale of a qualifying boat tax-exempt to a nonresident may not be tolled for any reason.

Section 28. Subsection (6) of section 212.055, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraphs (f) and (g) are added to subsection (1) of that section, to read:

212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative intent; authorization and use of proceeds.—It is the legislative intent that any authorization for imposition of a discretionary sales surtax shall be published in the Florida Statutes as a

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subsection of this section, irrespective of the duration of the levy. Each enactment shall specify the types of counties authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be imposed; the maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed, if any; the procedure which must be followed to secure voter approval, if required; the purpose for which the proceeds may be expended; and such other requirements as the Legislature may provide. Taxable transactions and administrative procedures shall be as provided in s. 212.054.

- (1) CHARTER COUNTY AND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM SURTAX.—
- (f) Any surtax levied under this subsection in each county, as defined in s. 125.011(1), expires on December 31, 2049. Any new levy of the surtax authorized by such a county under this subsection on or after January 1, 2050, must be approved by a majority vote of the electorate at a general election held within 2 years before the effective date of the new levy.
- (g) Any discretionary sales surtax levied under this subsection pursuant to a referendum held on or after July 1, 2020, may not be levied for more than 20 years.
 - (6) SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY SURTAX.-
- 2023 (a) The school board in each county may levy, pursuant to 2024 resolution conditioned to take effect only upon approval by a 2025 majority vote of the electors of the county voting in a

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referendum, a discretionary sales surtax at a rate that may not exceed 0.5 percent.

(b) The resolution <u>must shall</u> include a statement that provides a brief and general description of the school capital outlay projects to be funded by the surtax. <u>The resolution must include a statement that the revenues collected must be shared with charter schools based on their proportionate share of the total school district enrollment. The statement <u>must shall</u> conform to the requirements of s. 101.161 and shall be placed on the ballot by the governing body of the county. The following question shall be placed on the ballot:</u>

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(c) The resolution providing for the imposition of the surtax <u>must shall</u> set forth a plan for use of the surtax proceeds for fixed capital expenditures or fixed capital costs associated with the construction, reconstruction, or improvement of school facilities and campuses which have a useful life expectancy of 5 or more years, and any land acquisition, land

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improvement, design, and engineering costs related thereto. Additionally, the plan shall include the costs of retrofitting and providing for technology implementation, including hardware and software, for the various sites within the school district. Surtax revenues may be used to service for the purpose of servicing bond indebtedness to finance projects authorized by this subsection, and any interest accrued thereto may be held in trust to finance such projects. Neither the proceeds of the surtax nor any interest accrued thereto shall be used for operational expenses. Surtax revenues shared with charter schools shall be expended by the charter school in a manner consistent with the allowable uses set forth in s. 1013.62(4). All revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a charter school's monthly or quarterly financial statement pursuant to s. 1002.33(9). Surtax revenues collected by the Department of Revenue pursuant to this subsection shall be distributed to the school board imposing the surtax in accordance with law.

Section 29. The amendment made by this act to s.

212.055(6), Florida Statutes, which amends the allowable uses of the school capital outlay surtax, applies to levies authorized by vote of the electors on or after July 1, 2020.

Section 30. Effective January 1, 2021, section 212.134, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

212.134 Information returns relating to payment-card and

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third-party network transactions.-

- (1) For each year in which a payment settlement entity, an electronic payment facilitator, or other third party contracted with the payment settlement entity to make payments to settle reportable payment transactions on behalf of the payment settlement entity must file a return pursuant to section 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code, the entity, the facilitator, or the third party must submit the information in the return to the department by the 15th day after filing the federal return. The format of the information returns required must be either a copy of such information returns or a copy of such information returns related to participating payees with an address in the state. For purposes of this subsection, the term "payment settlement entity" has the same meaning as provided in section 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (2) All reports submitted to the department under this section must be in an electronic format.
- (3) Any payment settlement entity, facilitator, or third party failing to file the information return required, filing an incomplete information return, or not filing an information return within the time prescribed is subject to a penalty of \$1,000 for each failure, if the failure is for not more than 30 days, with an additional \$1,000 for each month or fraction of a month during which each failure continues. The total amount of penalty imposed on a reporting entity may not exceed \$10,000

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2100	(4) The executive director or his or her designee may
2101	waive the penalty if he or she determines that the failure to
2102	timely file an information return was due to reasonable cause
2103	and not due to willful negligence, willful neglect, or fraud.
2104	Section 31. Section 212.181, Florida Statutes, is created
2105	to read:
2106	212.181 Determination of business address situs,
2107	distributions, and adjustments.—
2108	(1) For each certificate of registration issued pursuant
2109	to s. 212.18(3)(b), the department shall assign the place of
2110	business to a county based on the location address provided at
2111	the time of registration or at the time the dealer notifies the
2112	department of a change in a business location address.
2113	(2)(a) Each county that furnishes to the department
2114	information needed to update the electronic database created and
2115	maintained pursuant to s. 202.22(2)(a), including addresses of
2116	new developments, changes in addresses, annexations,
2117	incorporations, reorganizations, and any other changes in
2118	jurisdictional boundaries within the county, must specify an
2119	effective date, which must be the next ensuing January 1 or July
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2121	before the effective date. A county that provides notification
2122	to the department at least 120 days before the effective date

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that it has reviewed the database and has no changes for the

- 2124 <u>ensuing January 1 or July 1 satisfies the requirement of this</u> 2125 paragraph.
 - (b) A county that imposes a tourist development tax in a subcounty special district pursuant to s. 125.0104(3)(b) must identify the subcounty special district addresses to which the tourist development tax applies as part of the address information submission required under paragraph (a). This paragraph does not apply to counties that self-administer the tax pursuant to s. 125.0104(10).
 - created and maintained under s. 202.022(2)(a) using the information furnished by local taxing jurisdictions under paragraph (a) and shall ensure each business location is correctly assigned to the applicable county pursuant to subsection (1). Each update must specify the effective date as the next ensuing January 1 or July 1 and must be posted by the department on a website not less than 90 days before the effective date.
 - (3) (a) For distributions made pursuant to ss. 125.0104, 212.20(6) (a), 212.20(6) (b), and 212.20(6) (d)2., misallocations occurring solely due to the assignment of an address to an incorrect county will be corrected prospectively only from the date the department is made aware of the misallocation, subject to the following:
 - 1. If the county that should have received the

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- misallocated distributions followed with the notification and timing provisions in subsection (2) for the affected periods, such misallocations may be adjusted by prorating current and future distributions for the period the misallocation occurred, not to exceed 36 months from the date the department is made aware of the misallocation;
- 2. If the county that received the misallocated distribution followed the notification and timing provisions in subsection (2) for the affected periods and the county that should have received the misallocation did not, the correction shall apply only prospectively from the date the department is made aware of the misallocation.
- (b) Nothing in this subsection prevents affected counties from determining an alternative method of adjustment pursuant to an interlocal agreement. Affected counties with an interlocal agreement must provide a copy of the interlocal agreement specifying an alternative method of adjustment to the department within 90 days after the date of the department's notice of the misallocation.
- (4) The department may adopt rules to administer this section, including rules establishing procedures and forms.
- 2170 Section 32. Paragraph (d) of subsection (6) of section 2171 212.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 2172 212.20 Funds collected, disposition; additional powers of department; operational expense; refund of taxes adjudicated

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2174 unconstitutionally collected.-

- (6) Distribution of all proceeds under this chapter and ss. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) and 203.01(1)(a)3. is as follows:
- (d) The proceeds of all other taxes and fees imposed pursuant to this chapter or remitted pursuant to s. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) shall be distributed as follows:
- 1. In any fiscal year, the greater of \$500 million, minus an amount equal to 4.6 percent of the proceeds of the taxes collected pursuant to chapter 201, or 5.2 percent of all other taxes and fees imposed pursuant to this chapter or remitted pursuant to s. 202.18(1)(b) and (2)(b) shall be deposited in monthly installments into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. After the distribution under subparagraph 1., 8.9744 percent of the amount remitted by a sales tax dealer located within a participating county pursuant to s. 218.61 shall be transferred into the Local Government Half-cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund. Beginning July 1, 2003, the amount to be transferred shall be reduced by 0.1 percent, and the department shall distribute this amount to the Public Employees Relations Commission Trust Fund less \$5,000 each month, which shall be added to the amount calculated in subparagraph 3. and distributed accordingly.
- 3. After the distribution under subparagraphs 1. and 2., 0.0966 percent shall be transferred to the Local Government Half-cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund and distributed pursuant

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- 2199 to s. 218.65.
- 2200 After the distributions under subparagraphs 1., 2., and
- 2201 3., 2.0810 percent of the available proceeds shall be
- 2202 transferred monthly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for
- 2203 Counties pursuant to s. 218.215.
- 2204 After the distributions under subparagraphs 1., 2., and
- 2205 3., 1.3653 percent of the available proceeds shall be
- 2206 transferred monthly to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for
- 2207 Municipalities pursuant to s. 218.215. If the total revenue to
- 2208 be distributed pursuant to this subparagraph is at least as
- 2209 great as the amount due from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for
- 2210 Municipalities and the former Municipal Financial Assistance
- Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000, no municipality shall 2211
- 2212 receive less than the amount due from the Revenue Sharing Trust
- 2213 Fund for Municipalities and the former Municipal Financial
- 2214 Assistance Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000. If the
- 2215 total proceeds to be distributed are less than the amount
- 2216 received in combination from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for
- 2217 Municipalities and the former Municipal Financial Assistance
- 2218 Trust Fund in state fiscal year 1999-2000, each municipality
- shall receive an amount proportionate to the amount it was due
- 2220 in state fiscal year 1999-2000.

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- 2221 Of the remaining proceeds:
- In each fiscal year, the sum of \$29,915,500 shall be 2222
- 2223 divided into as many equal parts as there are counties in the

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state, and one part shall be distributed to each county. The distribution among the several counties must begin each fiscal year on or before January 5th and continue monthly for a total of 4 months. If a local or special law required that any moneys accruing to a county in fiscal year 1999-2000 under the thenexisting provisions of s. 550.135 be paid directly to the district school board, special district, or a municipal government, such payment must continue until the local or special law is amended or repealed. The state covenants with holders of bonds or other instruments of indebtedness issued by local governments, special districts, or district school boards before July 1, 2000, that it is not the intent of this subparagraph to adversely affect the rights of those holders or relieve local governments, special districts, or district school boards of the duty to meet their obligations as a result of previous pledges or assignments or trusts entered into which obligated funds received from the distribution to county governments under then-existing s. 550.135. This distribution specifically is in lieu of funds distributed under s. 550.135 before July 1, 2000.

b. The department shall distribute \$166,667 monthly to each applicant certified as a facility for a new or retained professional sports franchise pursuant to s. 288.1162. Up to \$41,667 shall be distributed monthly by the department to each certified applicant as defined in s. 288.11621 for a facility

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- for a spring training franchise. However, not more than \$416,670 may be distributed monthly in the aggregate to all certified applicants for facilities for spring training franchises. Distributions begin 60 days after such certification and continue for not more than 30 years, except as otherwise provided in s. 288.11621. A certified applicant identified in this sub-subparagraph may not receive more in distributions than expended by the applicant for the public purposes provided in s. 288.1162(5) or s. 288.11621(3).
- c. Beginning 30 days after notice by the Department of Economic Opportunity to the Department of Revenue that an applicant has been certified as the professional golf hall of fame pursuant to s. 288.1168 and is open to the public, \$166,667 shall be distributed monthly, for up to 300 months, to the applicant.
- d. Beginning 30 days after notice by the Department of Economic Opportunity to the Department of Revenue that the applicant has been certified as the International Game Fish Association World Center facility pursuant to s. 288.1169, and the facility is open to the public, \$83,333 shall be distributed monthly, for up to 168 months, to the applicant. This distribution is subject to reduction pursuant to s. 288.1169. A lump sum payment of \$999,996 shall be made after certification and before July 1, 2000.
 - e. The department shall distribute up to \$83,333 monthly

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to each certified applicant as defined in s. 288.11631 for a facility used by a single spring training franchise, or up to \$166,667 monthly to each certified applicant as defined in s. 288.11631 for a facility used by more than one spring training franchise. Monthly distributions begin 60 days after such certification or July 1, 2016, whichever is later, and continue for not more than 20 years to each certified applicant as defined in s. 288.11631 for a facility used by a single spring training franchise or not more than 25 years to each certified applicant as defined in s. 288.11631 for a facility used by more than one spring training franchise. A certified applicant identified in this sub-subparagraph may not receive more in distributions than expended by the applicant for the public purposes provided in s. 288.11631(3).

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- <u>f.g.</u> Beginning December 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the department shall distribute \$26,286 monthly to the State

 Transportation Trust Fund. Beginning July 1, 2016, the department shall distribute \$15,333 monthly to the State

 Transportation Trust Fund.
- 7. All other proceeds must remain in the General Revenue Fund.
- Section 33. Section 212.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 212.205 Sales tax distribution reporting.—By March 15 of each year, each person who received a distribution pursuant to s. 212.20(6)(d)6.b.-e. s. 212.20(6)(d)6.b.-f. in the preceding calendar year shall report to the Office of Economic and Demographic Research the following information:
- (1) An itemized accounting of all expenditures of the funds distributed in the preceding calendar year, including amounts spent on debt service.
- (2) A statement indicating what portion of the distributed funds have been pledged for debt service.
- (3) The original principal amount and current debt service schedule of any bonds or other borrowing for which the distributed funds have been pledged for debt service.
- Section 34. Subsection (2) and paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 218.64, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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- 2324 218.64 Local government half-cent sales tax; uses; 2325 limitations.—
 - (2) Municipalities shall expend their portions of the local government half-cent sales tax only for municipality-wide programs, for reimbursing the state as required pursuant to s. 288.11625, or for municipality-wide property tax or municipal utility tax relief. All utility tax rate reductions afforded by participation in the local government half-cent sales tax shall be applied uniformly across all types of taxed utility services.
 - (3) Subject to ordinances enacted by the majority of the members of the county governing authority and by the majority of the members of the governing authorities of municipalities representing at least 50 percent of the municipal population of such county, counties may use up to \$3 million annually of the local government half-cent sales tax allocated to that county for any of the following purposes:
 - (c) Reimbursing the state as required under s. 288.11625.

 Section 35. Section 213.0537, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 213.0537 Electronic notification with affirmative consent.—
 - (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may send notices electronically, by postal mail, or both. Electronic transmission may be used only with the affirmative consent of the taxpayer or its representative.

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- Documents sent pursuant to this section comply with the same timing and form requirements as documents sent by postal mail.

 If a document sent electronically is returned as undeliverable, the department must re-send the document by postal mail.

 However, the original electronic transmission used with the affirmative consent of the taxpayer or its representative is the official mailing for purposes of this chapter.
- (2) A notice sent electronically will be considered to have been received by the recipient if the transmission is addressed to the address provided by the taxpayer or its representative. A notice sent electronically will be considered received even if no individual is aware of its receipt. In addition, a notice sent electronically shall be considered received if the department does not receive notification that the document was undeliverable.
 - (3) For the purposes of this section, the term:
- (a) "Affirmative consent" means that the taxpayer or its representative expressly consented to receive notices

 electronically either in response to a clear and conspicuous request for the taxpayer's or its representative's consent, or at the taxpayer's or its representative's own initiative.
- (b) "Notice" means all communications from the department to the taxpayer or its representative, including, but not limited to, billings, notices issued during the course of an audit, proposed assessments, and final assessments authorized by

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2374	this chapter and any other actions constituting final agency
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2376	Section 36. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
2377	213.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
2378	213.21 Informal conferences; compromises
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2380	(b) The statute of limitations upon the issuance of final
2381	assessments and the period for filing a claim for refund as
2382	required by s. 215.26(2) for any transactions occurring during
2383	the audit period shall be tolled during the period in which the
2384	taxpayer is engaged in a procedure under this section.
2385	Section 37. Effective upon this act becoming a law,
2386	paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 220.1105, Florida
2387	Statutes, is amended to read:
2388	220.1105 Tax imposed; automatic refunds and downward
2389	adjustments to tax rates.—
2390	(4) For fiscal years 2018-2019 through 2020-2021, any
2391	amount by which net collections for a fiscal year exceed
2392	adjusted forecasted collections for that fiscal year shall only
2393	be used to provide refunds to corporate income tax payers as
2394	follows:
2395	(a) For purposes of this subsection, the term:
2396	<pre>1. "Eligible taxpayer" means:</pre>
2397	a. For fiscal year 2018-2019, a taxpayer whose taxable

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year begins between April 1, 2017, and March 31, 2018, and whose

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2399 final tax liability for such taxable year is greater than zero;

- b. For fiscal year 2019-2020, a taxpayer whose taxable year begins between April 1, 2018, and March 31, 2019, and whose final tax liability for such taxable year is greater than zero; or
- c. For fiscal year 2020-2021 a taxpayer whose taxable year begins between April 1, 2019, and March 31, 2020, and whose final tax liability for such taxable year is greater than zero.
- 2. "Excess collections" for a fiscal year means the amount by which net collections for a fiscal year exceeds adjusted forecasted collections for that fiscal year.
- 3. "Final tax liability" means the taxpayer's amount of tax due under this chapter for a taxable year, reported on a return filed with the department, plus the amount of any credit taken on such return under s. 220.1875.
- 4. "Total eligible tax liability" for a fiscal year means the sum of final tax liabilities of all eligible taxpayers for a fiscal year as such liabilities are shown on the latest return filed with the department as of February 1 immediately following that fiscal year.
- 5. "Taxpayer refund share" for a fiscal year means an eligible taxpayer's final tax liability as a percentage of the total eligible tax liability for that fiscal year.
- 6. "Taxpayer refund" for a fiscal year means the taxpayer refund share for a fiscal year multiplied by the excess

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2424	corrections for a fiscar year.
2425	Section 38. (1) The amendment made by this act to s.
2426	220.1105(4)(a)3., Florida Statutes, is remedial in nature and
2427	applies retroactively.
2428	(2) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2429	a law.
2430	Section 39. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section
2431	220.1845, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
2432	220.1845 Contaminated site rehabilitation tax credit
2433	(2) AUTHORIZATION FOR TAX CREDIT; LIMITATIONS
2434	(f) The total amount of the tax credits which may be
2435	granted under this section is $\frac{\$18.2}{\$18.5}$ million in the 2018-
2436	$\frac{2019}{2019}$ fiscal year $\frac{2020-2021}{2019}$ and \$10 million each fiscal year
2437	thereafter.
2438	Section 40. Section 220.197, Florida Statutes, is created
2439	to read:
2440	220.197 1031 exchange tax credit.—
2441	(1) As used in this section, the term "NAICS" means those
2442	classifications contained in the North American Industry
2443	Classification System, as published in 2007 by the Office of
2444	Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.
2445	(2) A taxpayer is eligible for a \$2 million credit against
2446	the tax imposed by this chapter for its 2018 taxable year if:
2447	(a)1. The taxpayer is classified in the NAICS industry
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2449	2. The taxpayer deferred gains on the sale of personal
2450	property assets for federal income purposes under s. 1031 of the
2451	Internal Revenue Code during its taxable year beginning on or
2452	after August 1, 2016, and before August 1, 2017; and
2453	3. The taxpayer's final tax liability for its taxable year
2454	beginning on or after August 1, 2017, and before August 1, 2018,
2455	before application of the credit authorized by this section, is
2456	greater than \$15 million and is at least 700 percent greater
2457	than its final tax liability for its taxable year beginning on
2458	or after August 1, 2016, and before August 1, 2017; or
2459	(b) 1. The taxpayer is classified under NAICS industry code
2460	522220 or 532112;
2461	2. The taxpayer deferred gains on the sale of personal
2462	property assets for federal income purposes under s. 1031 of the
2463	Internal Revenue Code during its taxable year beginning on or
2464	after August 1, 2016, and before August 1, 2017; and
2465	3. The taxpayer's final tax liability for its taxable year
2466	beginning on or after August 1, 2017, and before August 1, 2018,
2467	before application of the credit authorized by this section, was
2468	greater than \$15 million and was at least \$15 million greater
2469	than its final tax liability for its taxable year beginning on
2470	or after August 1, 2016, and before August 1, 2017.
2471	(3) This section operates retroactively to January 1,

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Section 41. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section

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2475 288.0001 Economic Development Programs Evaluation.—The 2476 Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of 2.477 Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) 2478 shall develop and present to the Governor, the President of the 2479 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the 2480 chairs of the legislative appropriations committees the Economic Development Programs Evaluation.

288.0001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- The Office of Economic and Demographic Research and OPPAGA shall provide a detailed analysis of economic development programs as provided in the following schedule:
- (e) Beginning January 1, 2018, and every 3 years thereafter, an analysis of the Sports Development Program established under s. 288.11625.
- Section 42. Section 288.11625, Florida Statutes, is 2488 2489 repealed.
 - Section 43. Subsection (4) of section 376.30781, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - Tax credits for rehabilitation of drycleaningsolvent-contaminated sites and brownfield sites in designated brownfield areas; application process; rulemaking authority; revocation authority.-
 - The Department of Environmental Protection is responsible for allocating the tax credits provided for in s. 220.1845, which may not exceed a total of \$18.2 $\frac{$18.5}{}$ million in

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tax credits in fiscal year $\underline{2020-2021}$ $\underline{2018-2019}$ and \$10 million in tax credits each fiscal year thereafter.

Section 44. Subsection (1) of section 413.4021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 413.4021 Program participant selection; tax collection enforcement diversion program.—The Department of Revenue, in coordination with the Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living and the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association, shall select judicial circuits in which to operate the program. The association and the state attorneys' offices shall develop and implement a tax collection enforcement diversion program, which shall collect revenue due from persons who have not remitted their collected sales tax. The criteria for referral to the tax collection enforcement diversion program shall be determined cooperatively between the state attorneys' offices and the Department of Revenue.
- (1) Notwithstanding s. 212.20, 75 50 percent of the revenues collected from the tax collection enforcement diversion program shall be deposited into the special reserve account of the Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living, to be used to administer the James Patrick Memorial Work Incentive Personal Attendant Services and Employment Assistance Program and to contract with the state attorneys participating in the tax collection enforcement diversion program in an amount of not more than \$75,000 for each state attorney.

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2524 Section 45. Subsections (1), (2), and (5) of section 2525 443.163, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 2526 443.163 Electronic reporting and remitting of 2527 contributions and reimbursements.-2528 An employer may file any report and remit any 2529 contributions or reimbursements required under this chapter by 2530 electronic means. The Department of Economic Opportunity or the 2531 state agency providing reemployment assistance tax collection services shall adopt rules prescribing the format and 2532 2533 instructions necessary for electronically filing reports and 2534 remitting contributions and reimbursements to ensure a full 2535 collection of contributions and reimbursements due. The 2536 acceptable method of transfer, the method, form, and content of 2537 the electronic means, and the method, if any, by which the 2538 employer will be provided with an acknowledgment shall be 2539 prescribed by the department or its tax collection service 2540 provider. However, any employer who employed 10 or more 2541 employees in any quarter during the preceding state fiscal year 2542 must file the Employers Quarterly Reports, including any 2543 corrections, for the current calendar year and remit the contributions and reimbursements due by electronic means 2544 2545 approved by the tax collection service provider. A person who 2546 prepared and reported for 100 or more employers in any quarter 2547 during the preceding state fiscal year must file the Employers 2548 Quarterly Reports for each calendar quarter in the current

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calendar year, beginning with reports due for the second calendar quarter of 2003, by electronic means approved by the tax collection service provider.

Employers Quarterly Report, including any corrections, by approved electronic means, but who files the report either directly or through an agent by a means other than approved electronic means, is liable for a penalty of \$25 \$50 for that report and \$1 for each employee, not to exceed \$300. This penalty is in addition to any other penalty provided by this chapter. However, the penalty does not apply if the tax collection service provider waives the electronic filing requirement in advance. An employer who fails to remit contributions or reimbursements either directly or through an agent by approved electronic means as required by law is liable for a penalty of \$25 \$50 for each remittance submitted by a means other than approved electronic means. This penalty is in addition to any other penalty provided by this chapter.

(b) A person who prepared and reported for 100 or more employers in any quarter during the preceding state fiscal year, but who fails to file an Employers Quarterly Report for each calendar quarter in the current calendar year by approved electronic means, is liable for a penalty of \$50 for that report and \$1 for each employee. This penalty is in addition to any other penalty provided by this chapter. However, the penalty

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does not apply if the tax collection service provider waives the electronic filing requirement in advance.

- (5) The tax collection service provider may waive the penalty imposed by this section if a written request for a waiver is filed which establishes that imposition would be inequitable. Examples of inequity include, but are not limited to, situations where the failure to electronically file was caused by one of the following factors:
- (a) Death or serious illness of the person responsible for the preparation and filing of the report.
- (b) Destruction of the business records by fire or other casualty.
- (c) Unscheduled and unavoidable computer downtime. Section 46. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 626.932, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

626.932 Surplus lines tax.-

(1) The premiums charged for surplus lines coverages are subject to a premium receipts tax of 4.94 5 percent of all gross premiums charged for such insurance. The surplus lines agent shall collect from the insured the amount of the tax at the time of the delivery of the cover note, certificate of insurance, policy, or other initial confirmation of insurance, in addition to the full amount of the gross premium charged by the insurer for the insurance. The surplus lines agent is prohibited from absorbing such tax or, as an inducement for insurance or for any

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other reason, rebating all or any part of such tax or of his or her commission.

- only partially in this state and the state is the home state as defined in the federal Nonadmitted and Reinsurance Reform Act of 2010 (NRRA), the tax payable shall be computed on the gross premium. The surplus lines policy shall be taxed in accordance with subsection (1) and shall report the percentage of risk that is located in the state to the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office in the manner and form directed by the office The tax must not exceed the tax rate where the risk or exposure is located.
- Section 47. Subsection (3) of section 718.111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- (3) POWER TO MANAGE CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY AND TO CONTRACT, SUE, AND BE SUED; CONFLICT OF INTEREST.—
- (a) The association may contract, sue, or be sued with respect to the exercise or nonexercise of its powers. For these purposes, the powers of the association include, but are not limited to, the maintenance, management, and operation of the condominium property.
- (b) After control of the association is obtained by unit owners other than the developer, the association may:
- 1. Institute, maintain, settle, or appeal actions or hearings in its name on behalf of all unit owners concerning

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- matters of common interest to most or all unit owners, including, but not limited to, the common elements; the roof and structural components of a building or other improvements; mechanical, electrical, and plumbing elements serving an improvement or a building; representations of the developer pertaining to any existing or proposed commonly used facilities;
- 2. Protest and protesting ad valorem taxes on commonly used facilities and on units; and may
- 3. Defend actions <u>pertaining to ad valorem taxation of commonly used facilities or units or related to in eminent domain;</u> or
 - 4. Bring inverse condemnation actions.
- (c) If the association has the authority to maintain a class action, the association may be joined in an action as representative of that class with reference to litigation and disputes involving the matters for which the association could bring a class action.
- (d) The association, in its own name or on behalf of some or all unit owners, may institute, file, protest, maintain, or defend any administrative challenge, lawsuit, appeal, or other challenge to ad valorem taxes assessed on units for commonly used facilities or common elements. The affected association members are not necessary or indispensable parties to such actions. This paragraph is intended to clarify existing law and applies to cases pending on July 1, 2020.

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- (e) Nothing herein limits any statutory or common-law right of any individual unit owner or class of unit owners to bring any action without participation by the association which may otherwise be available.
- (f) An association may not hire an attorney who represents the management company of the association.
- Section 48. <u>Clothing</u>, school supplies, personal computers, and personal computer-related accessories; sales tax holiday.—
- (1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes, may not be collected during the period from August 7, 2020, through August 9, 2020, on the retail sale of:
- (a) Clothing, wallets, or bags, including handbags, backpacks, fanny packs, and diaper bags, but excluding briefcases, suitcases, and other garment bags, having a sales price of \$60 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the term "clothing" means:
- 1. Any article of wearing apparel intended to be worn on or about the human body, excluding watches, watchbands, jewelry, umbrellas, and handkerchiefs; and
- 2. All footwear, excluding skis, swim fins, roller blades, and skates.
- (b) School supplies having a sales price of \$15 or less per item. As used in this paragraph, the term "school supplies" means pens, pencils, erasers, crayons, notebooks, notebook filler paper, legal pads, binders, lunch boxes, construction

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- paper, markers, folders, poster board, composition books, poster
 paper, scissors, cellophane tape, glue or paste, rulers,
 computer disks, staplers and staples used to secure paper
 products, protractors, compasses, and calculators.
- (2) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes, may not be collected during the period from August 7, 2020, through August 9, 2020, on the first \$1,000 of the sales price of personal computers or personal computer-related accessories purchased for noncommercial home or personal use. As used in this subsection, the term:
- (a) "Personal computers" includes electronic book readers, laptops, desktops, handheld devices, tablets, or tower computers. The term does not include cellular telephones, video game consoles, digital media receivers, or devices that are not primarily designed to process data.
- (b) "Personal computer-related accessories" includes keyboards, mice, personal digital assistants, monitors, other peripheral devices, modems, routers, and nonrecreational software, regardless of whether the accessories are used in association with a personal computer base unit. The term does not include furniture or systems, devices, software, or peripherals that are designed or intended primarily for recreational use. The term "monitor" does not include any device that includes a television tuner.
 - (3) The tax exemptions provided in this section do not

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- 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.
- (4) The tax exemptions provided in this section may apply at the option of a dealer if less than 5 percent of the dealer's gross sales of tangible personal property in the prior calendar year are comprised of items that would be exempt under this section. If a qualifying dealer chooses not to participate in the tax holiday, by August 1, 2020, the dealer must notify the Department of Revenue in writing of its election to collect sales tax during the holiday and must post a copy of that notice in a conspicuous location at its place of business.
- (5) The Department of Revenue is authorized, 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 provision of 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 rules.
- (6) For the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the sum of \$241,000 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of implementing

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2724	this section. Funds remaining unexpended or unencumbered from
2725	this appropriation as of June 30, 2020, shall revert and be
2726	reappropriated for the same purpose in the 2020-2021 fiscal
2727	<u>year.</u>
2728	(7) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming
2729	a law.
2730	Section 49. Disaster preparedness supplies; sales tax
2731	holiday.—
2732	(1) The tax levied under chapter 212, Florida Statutes,
2733	may not be collected during the period from May 29, 2020,
2734	through June 4, 2020, on the sale of:
2735	(a) A portable self-powered light source selling for \$20
2736	or less.
2737	(b) A portable self-powered radio, two-way radio, or
2738	weather-band radio selling for \$50 or less.
2739	(c) A tarpaulin or other flexible waterproof sheeting
2740	selling for \$50 or less.
2741	(d) An item normally sold as, or generally advertised as,
2742	a ground anchor system or tie-down kit selling for \$50 or less.
2743	(e) A gas or diesel fuel tank selling for \$25 or less.
2744	(f) A package of AA-cell, AAA-cell, C-cell, D-cell, 6-
2745	volt, or 9-volt batteries, excluding automobile and boat
2746	batteries, selling for \$30 or less.
2747	(g) A nonelectric food storage cooler selling for \$30 or

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- (i) Reusable ice selling for \$10 or less.
- (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 is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, to administer this section.
- (4) For the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the sum of \$70,000 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of implementing this section.
- (5) This section shall take effect upon this act becoming a law.
- Section 50. Section 211.0252, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 211.0252 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable organizations.—Beginning July 1, 2021, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable organization under s. 402.62 against any tax due

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2774 under s. 211.02 or s. 211.025. However, the combined credit 2775 allowed under this section and s. 211.0251 may not exceed 50 2776 percent of the tax due on the return on which the credit is 2777 taken. If the combined credit allowed under this section and s. 2778 211.0251 exceeds 50 percent of the tax due on the return, the 2779 credit must first be taken under s. 211.0251. Any remaining 2780 liability, up to 50 percent of the tax due, shall be taken under 2781 this section. For purposes of the distributions of tax revenue 2782 under s. 211.06, the department shall disregard any tax credits 2783 allowed under this section to ensure that any reduction in tax 2784 revenue received which is attributable to the tax credits 2785 results only in a reduction in distributions to the General Revenue Fund. The provisions of s. 402.62 apply to the credit 2786 2787 authorized by this section. 2788 Section 51. Section 212.1833, Florida Statutes, is created 2789 to read: 2790 212.1833 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable 2791 organizations.—Beginning July 1, 2021, there is allowed a credit 2792 of 100 percent of an eligible contribution made to an eligible 2793 charitable organization under s. 402.62 against any tax imposed 2794 by the state and due under this chapter from a direct pay permit 2795 holder as a result of the direct pay permit held pursuant to s.

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212.183. For purposes of the dealer's credit granted for keeping

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tax due used to calculate the credit shall include any eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable organization from a direct pay permit holder. For purposes of the distributions of tax revenue under s. 212.20, the department shall disregard any tax credits allowed under this section to ensure that any reduction in tax revenue received that is attributable to the tax credits results only in a reduction in distributions to the General Revenue Fund. The provisions of s. 402.62 apply to the credit authorized by this section. A dealer who claims a tax credit under this section must file his or her tax returns and pay his or her taxes by electronic means under s. 213.755. Section 52. Subsection (8) of section 220.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 220.02 Legislative intent.-It is the intent of the Legislature that credits against either the corporate income tax or the franchise tax be applied in the following order: those enumerated in s. 631.828, those enumerated in s. 220.191, those enumerated in s. 220.181, those enumerated in s. 220.183, those enumerated in s. 220.182, those enumerated in s. 220.1895, those enumerated in s. 220.195, those enumerated in s. 220.184, those enumerated in s. 220.186, those enumerated in s. 220.1845, those enumerated in s. 220.19, those enumerated in s. 220.185, those enumerated in s. 220.1875, those enumerated in s. 220.1876, those enumerated in s. 220.192, those enumerated in s. 220.193, those enumerated in s. 288.9916,

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those enumerated in s. 220.1899, those enumerated in s. 220.194, and those enumerated in s. 220.196.

Section 53. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 220.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 220.13 "Adjusted federal income" defined.-
- (1) The term "adjusted federal income" means an amount equal to the taxpayer's taxable income as defined in subsection (2), or such taxable income of more than one taxpayer as provided in s. 220.131, for the taxable year, adjusted as follows:
- (a) Additions.—There shall be added to such taxable income:
- 1.a. The amount of any tax upon or measured by income, excluding taxes based on gross receipts or revenues, paid or accrued as a liability to the District of Columbia or any state of the United States which is deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.
- b. Notwithstanding sub-subparagraph a., if a credit taken under s. 220.1875 or s. 220.1876 is added to taxable income in a previous taxable year under subparagraph 11. and is taken as a deduction for federal tax purposes in the current taxable year, the amount of the deduction allowed shall not be added to taxable income in the current year. The exception in this subsubparagraph is intended to ensure that the credit under s. 220.1875 or s. 220.1876 is added in the applicable taxable year

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and does not result in a duplicate addition in a subsequent year.

- 2. The amount of interest which is excluded from taxable income under s. 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or any other federal law, less the associated expenses disallowed in the computation of taxable income under s. 265 of the Internal Revenue Code or any other law, excluding 60 percent of any amounts included in alternative minimum taxable income, as defined in s. 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, if the taxpayer pays tax under s. 220.11(3).
- 3. In the case of a regulated investment company or real estate investment trust, an amount equal to the excess of the net long-term capital gain for the taxable year over the amount of the capital gain dividends attributable to the taxable year.
- 4. That portion of the wages or salaries paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.181. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.
- 5. That portion of the ad valorem school taxes paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.182. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.
 - 6. The amount taken as a credit under s. 220.195 which is

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deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.

- 7. That portion of assessments to fund a guaranty association incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year.
- 8. In the case of a nonprofit corporation which holds a pari-mutuel permit and which is exempt from federal income tax as a farmers' cooperative, an amount equal to the excess of the gross income attributable to the pari-mutuel operations over the attributable expenses for the taxable year.
- 9. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under $s.\ 220.1895.$
- 10. Up to nine percent of the eligible basis of any designated project which is equal to the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.185.
- 11. Any The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.1875 or s. 220.1876. The addition in this subparagraph is intended to ensure that the same amount is not allowed for the tax purposes of this state as both a deduction from income and a credit against the tax. This addition is not intended to result in adding the same expense back to income more than once.
- 12. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.192.
 - 13. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year

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2899 under s. 220.193.

- 14. Any portion of a qualified investment, as defined in s. 288.9913, which is claimed as a deduction by the taxpayer and taken as a credit against income tax pursuant to s. 288.9916.
- 15. The costs to acquire a tax credit pursuant to s. 288.1254(5) that are deducted from or otherwise reduce federal taxable income for the taxable year.
- 16. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year pursuant to s. 220.194.
- 17. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.196. The addition in this subparagraph is intended to ensure that the same amount is not allowed for the tax purposes of this state as both a deduction from income and a credit against the tax. The addition is not intended to result in adding the same expense back to income more than once.

Section 54. Subsection (2) of section 220.186, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

220.186 Credit for Florida alternative minimum tax.-

(2) The credit pursuant to this section shall be the amount of the excess, if any, of the tax paid based upon taxable income determined pursuant to s. 220.13(2)(k) over the amount of tax which would have been due based upon taxable income without application of s. 220.13(2)(k), before application of this credit without application of any credit under s. 220.1875 or s. 220.1876.

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Section 55. Section 220.1876, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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- 220.1876 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable organizations.—
- (1) Beginning January 1, 2021, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable organization under s. 402.62 against any tax due for a taxable year under this chapter after the application of any other allowable credits by the taxpayer. An eligible contribution must be made to an eligible charitable organization on or before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return pursuant to s. 220.222. The credit granted by this section shall be reduced by the difference between the amount of federal corporate income tax taking into account the credit granted by this section and the amount of federal corporate income tax without application of the credit granted by this section.
- (2) A taxpayer who files a Florida consolidated return as a member of an affiliated group pursuant to s. 220.131(1) may be allowed the credit on a consolidated return basis; however, the total credit taken by the affiliated group is subject to the limitation established under subsection (1).
- (3) The provisions of s. 402.62 apply to the credit authorized by this section.
- (4) If a taxpayer applies and is approved for a credit under s. 402.62 after timely requesting an extension to file

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2949	under s. 220.222(2):
2950	(a) The credit does not reduce the amount of tax due for
2951	purposes of the department's determination as to whether the
2952	taxpayer was in compliance with the requirement to pay tentative
2953	taxes under ss. 220.222 and 220.32.
2954	(b) The taxpayer's noncompliance with the requirement to
2955	pay tentative taxes shall result in the revocation and
2956	rescindment of any such credit.
2957	(c) The taxpayer shall be assessed for any taxes,
2958	penalties, or interest due from the taxpayer's noncompliance
2959	with the requirement to pay tentative taxes.
2960	Section 56. Section 402.62, Florida Statutes, is created
2961	to read:
2962	402.62 Children's Promise Tax Credit.—
2963	(1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
2964	(a) "Annual tax credit amount" means, for any state fiscal
2965	year, the sum of the amount of tax credits approved under
2966	paragraph $(5)(b)$, including tax credits to be taken under s.
2967	211.0252, s. 212.1833, s. 220.1876, s. 561.1212, or s.
2968	624.51056, which are approved for taxpayers whose taxable years
2969	begin on or after January 1 of the calendar year preceding the
2970	start of the applicable state fiscal year.
2971	(b) "Division" means the Division of Alcoholic Beverages
2972	and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional
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2974	(c) "Eligible charitable organization" means an
2975	organization designated by the department to be eligible to
2976	receive funding under this section.
2977	(d) "Eligible contribution" means a monetary contribution
2978	from a taxpayer, subject to the restrictions provided in this
2979	section, to an eligible charitable organization. The taxpayer
2980	making the contribution may not designate a specific child
2981	assisted by the eligible charitable organization as the
2982	beneficiary of the contribution.
2983	(e) "Tax credit cap amount" means the maximum annual tax
2984	credit amount that the Department of Revenue may approve for a
2985	state fiscal year.
2986	(2) CHILDREN'S PROMISE TAX CREDITS; ELIGIBILITY.—
2987	(a) The department shall designate as an eligible
2988	charitable organization an organization that:
2989	1. Is exempt from federal income taxation under s.
2990	501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
2991	2. Is a Florida entity formed under chapter 605, chapter
2992	607, or chapter 617 and whose principal office is located in the
2993	state.
2994	3. Provides services to:
2995	a. Prevent child abuse, neglect, abandonment, or
2996	<pre>exploitation;</pre>
2997	b. Enhance the safety, permanency, or well-being of
2998	children with child welfare involvement;

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- c. Assist families with children who have a chronic illness or physical, intellectual, developmental, or emotional disability; or
- d. Provide workforce development services to families of children eligible for a federal free or reduced-price meals program.
- 4. Has a contract or written referral agreement with, or reference from, the department, a community-based care lead agency as defined in s. 409.986, a managing entity as defined in s. 394.9082, or the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, for services specified in subparagraph 3.
- 5. Provides to the department accurate information including, at a minimum, a description of the services provided by the organization that are eligible for funding under this section; the number of individuals served through those services during the last calendar year in total and the number served during the last calendar year using funding under this section; basic financial information regarding the organization and services eligible for funding under this section; outcomes for such services; and contact information for the organization.
- 6. Annually submits a statement signed by a current officer of the organization, under penalty of perjury, that the organization meets all criteria to qualify as an eligible charitable organization, has fulfilled responsibilities under this section for the previous fiscal year if the organization

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- received any funding through this credit during the previous

 year, and intends to fulfill its responsibilities during the

 upcoming year.
 - 7. Provides any documentation requested by the department to verify eligibility as an eligible charitable organization or compliance with this section.
 - (b) The department may not designate as an eligible charitable organization an organization that:
 - 1. Provides abortions, pays for or provides coverage for abortions, or financially supports any other entity that provides, pays for, or provides coverage for abortions; or
 - 2. Has received more than 50 percent of its total annual revenue from the department or the Agency for Persons with

 Disabilities, either directly or via a contractor of the department or agency, in the prior fiscal year.
 - (3) RESPONSIBILITIES OF ELIGIBLE CHARITABLE

 ORGANIZATIONS.—An eligible charitable organization that receives a contribution under this section must:
 - (a) Conduct background screenings on all volunteers and staff working directly with children in any program funded under this section. The background screening shall use level 2 screening standards pursuant to s. 435.04. The department shall specify requirements for background screening in rule.
 - (b) Expend 100 percent of any contributions received under this section for direct services to state residents for the

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purposes specified in subparagraph (2)(a)3.

- (c) Annually submit to the department:
- 1. An audit of the eligible charitable organization conducted by an independent certified public accountant in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States, government auditing standards, and rules adopted by the Auditor General. The audit report must include a report on financial statements presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The audit report must be provided to the department within 180 days after completion of the eligible charitable organization's fiscal year.
- 2. A copy of the eligible charitable organization's most recent federal Internal Revenue Service Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax form (Form 990).
- (d) Notify the department within 5 business days after the eligible charitable organization ceases to meet eligibility requirements or fails to fulfill its responsibilities under this section.
- (e) Upon receipt of a contribution, the eligible charitable organization shall provide the taxpayer that made the contribution with a certificate of contribution. A certificate of contribution must include the taxpayer's name and, if available, federal employer identification number, the amount contributed, the date of contribution, and the name of the eligible charitable organization.

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- 3074 (4) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT.—The department 3075 shall:
 - (a) Annually redesignate eligible charitable organizations that have complied with all requirements of this section.
 - (b) Remove the designation of organizations that fail to meet all requirements of this section. An organization that has had its designation removed by the department may reapply for designation as an eligible charitable organization, and the department shall redesignate such organization if it meets the requirements of this section and demonstrates through its application that all factors leading to its previous failure to meet requirements have been sufficiently addressed.
 - (c) Publish information about the tax credit program and eligible charitable organizations on a department website. The website shall, at a minimum, provide:
 - 1. The requirements and process for becoming designated or redesignated as an eligible charitable organization.
 - 2. A list of the eligible charitable organizations that are currently designated by the department and the information provided under subparagraph (2)(a)5. regarding each eligible charitable organization.
 - 3. The process for a taxpayer to select an eligible charitable organization as the recipient of funding through a tax credit.
 - (d) Compel the return of funds that are provided to an

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3099 eligible charitable organization that fails to comply with the 3100 requirements of this section. Eligible charitable organizations 3101 that are subject to return of funds are ineligible to receive 3102 funding under this section for a period 10 years after final 3103 agency action to compel the return of funding. (5) CHILDREN'S PROMISE TAX CREDITS; APPLICATIONS, 3104 TRANSFERS, AND LIMITATIONS.-3105 3106 The tax credit cap amount is \$5 million in each state (a) 3107 fiscal year. 3108 (b) Beginning October 1, 2020, a taxpayer may submit an 3109 application to the Department of Revenue for a tax credit or 3110 credits to be taken under one or more of s. 211.0252, s. 3111 212.1833, s. 220.1876, s. 561.1212, or s. 624.51056. 3112 1. The taxpayer shall specify in the application each tax 3113 for which the taxpayer requests a credit and the applicable 3114 taxable year for a credit under s. 220.1876 or s. 624.51056 or 3115 the applicable state fiscal year for a credit under s. 211.0252, 3116 s. 212.1833, or s. 561.1212. For purposes of s. 220.1876, a 3117 taxpayer may apply for a credit to be used for a prior taxable 3118 year before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return for that year pursuant to s. 220.222. For purposes of s. 3119 3120 624.51056, a taxpayer may apply for a credit to be used for a 3121 prior taxable year before the date the taxpayer is required to

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624.509 and 624.5092. The application must specify the eligible

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- charitable organization to which the proposed contribution will be made. The Department of Revenue shall approve tax credits on a first-come, first-served basis and must obtain the division's approval before approving a tax credit under s. 561.1212.

 2. Within 10 days after approving or denying an
- application, the Department of Revenue shall provide a copy of its approval or denial letter to the eligible charitable organization specified by the taxpayer in the application.
- (c) If a tax credit approved under paragraph (b) is not fully used within the specified state fiscal year for credits under s. 211.0252, s. 212.1833, or s. 561.1212 or against taxes due for the specified taxable year for credits under s. 220.1876 or s. 624.51056 because of insufficient tax liability on the part of the taxpayer, the unused amount shall be carried forward for a period not to exceed 10 years. For purposes of s. 220.1876, a credit carried forward may be used in a subsequent year after applying the other credits and unused carryovers in the order provided in s. 220.02(8).
- (d) A taxpayer may not convey, transfer, or assign an approved tax credit or a carryforward tax credit to another entity unless all of the assets of the taxpayer are conveyed, assigned, or transferred in the same transaction. However, a tax credit under s. 211.0252, s. 212.1833, s. 220.1876, s. 561.1212, or s. 624.51056 may be conveyed, transferred, or assigned between members of an affiliated group of corporations if the

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3149 type of tax credit under s. 211.0252, s. 212.1833, s. 220.1876, 3150 s. 561.1212, or s. 624.51056 remains the same. A taxpayer shall 3151 notify the Department of Revenue of its intent to convey, 3152 transfer, or assign a tax credit to another member within an 3153 affiliated group of corporations. The amount conveyed, 3154 transferred, or assigned is available to another member of the 3155 affiliated group of corporations upon approval by the Department 3156 of Revenue. The Department of Revenue shall obtain the 3157 division's approval before approving a conveyance, transfer, or assignment of a tax credit under s. 561.1212. 3158 3159 Within any state fiscal year, a taxpayer may rescind 3160 all or part of a tax credit approved under paragraph (b). The 3161 amount rescinded shall become available for that state fiscal 3162 year to another eligible taxpayer as approved by the Department 3163 of Revenue if the taxpayer receives notice from the Department 3164 of Revenue that the rescindment has been accepted by the 3165 Department of Revenue. The Department of Revenue must obtain the 3166 division's approval before accepting the rescindment of a tax 3167 credit under s. 561.1212. Any amount rescinded under this 3168 paragraph shall become available to an eligible taxpayer on a 3169 first-come, first-served basis based on tax credit applications 3170 received after the date the rescindment is accepted by the 3171 Department of Revenue. 3172 Within 10 days after approving or denying the 3173 conveyance, transfer, or assignment of a tax credit under

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- paragraph (d), or the rescindment of a tax credit under

 paragraph (e), the Department of Revenue shall provide a copy of

 its approval or denial letter to the eligible charitable

 organization specified by the taxpayer. The Department of

 Revenue shall also include the eligible charitable organization

 specified by the taxpayer on all letters or correspondence of

 acknowledgment for tax credits under s. 212.1833.
- (g) For purposes of calculating the underpayment of estimated corporate income taxes under s. 220.34 and tax installment payments for taxes on insurance premiums or assessments under s. 624.5092, the final amount due is the amount after credits earned under s. 220.1876 or s. 624.51056 for contributions to eligible charitable organizations are deducted.
- 1. For purposes of determining if a penalty or interest under s. 220.34(2)(d)1. shall be imposed for underpayment of estimated corporate income tax, a taxpayer may, after earning a credit under s. 220.1876, reduce any estimated payment in that taxable year by the amount of the credit.
- 2. For purposes of determining if a penalty under s. 624.5092 shall be imposed, an insurer, after earning a credit under s. 624.51056 for a taxable year, may reduce any installment payment for such taxable year of 27 percent of the amount of the net tax due as reported on the return for the preceding year under s. 624.5092(2)(b) by the amount of the

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- (6) PRESERVATION OF CREDIT.—If any provision or portion of this section, s. 211.0252, s. 212.1833, s. 220.1876, s. 561.1212, or s. 624.51056 or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional by any court or is otherwise declared invalid, the unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any credit earned under s. 211.0252, s. 212.1833, s. 220.1876, s. 561.1212, or s. 624.51056 by any taxpayer with respect to any contribution paid to an eligible charitable organization before the date of a determination of unconstitutionality or invalidity. The credit shall be allowed at such time and in such a manner as if a determination of unconstitutionality or invalidity had not been made, provided that nothing in this subsection by itself or in combination with any other provision of law shall result in the allowance of any credit to any taxpayer in excess of one dollar of credit for each dollar paid to an eligible charitable organization.
 - (7) ADMINISTRATION; RULES.—
- (a) The Department of Revenue, the division, and the department may develop a cooperative agreement to assist in the administration of this section, as needed.
- (b) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules necessary to administer this section and ss. 211.0252, 212.1833, 220.1876, 561.1212, and 624.51056, including rules establishing application forms, procedures governing the approval of tax

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credits and carryforward tax credits under subsection (5), and
procedures to be followed by taxpayers when claiming approved
tax credits on their returns.

(c) The division may adopt rules necessary to administer
its responsibilities under this section and s. 561.1212.

- (d) The department may adopt rules necessary to administer this section, including, but not limited to, rules establishing application forms for organizations seeking designation as eligible charitable organizations under this act.
- (e) Notwithstanding any provision of s. 213.053 to the contrary, sharing information with the division related to this tax credit is considered the conduct of the Department of Revenue's official duties as contemplated in s. 213.053(8)(c), and the Department of Revenue and the division are specifically authorized to share information as needed to administer this program.

Section 57. Section 561.1212, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

561.1212 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable organizations.—Beginning January 1, 2021, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable organization under s. 402.62 against any tax due under s. 563.05, s. 564.06, or s. 565.12, except excise taxes imposed on wine produced by manufacturers in this state from products grown in this state. However, a credit allowed

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under this section may not exceed 90 percent of the tax due on the return on which the credit is taken. For purposes of the distributions of tax revenue under ss. 561.121 and 564.06(10), the division shall disregard any tax credits allowed under this section to ensure that any reduction in tax revenue received that is attributable to the tax credits results only in a reduction in distributions to the General Revenue Fund. The provisions of s. 402.62 apply to the credit authorized by this section. Section 58. Section 624.51056, Florida Statutes, is created to read: 624.51056 Credit for contributions to eligible charitable organizations.-(1) Beginning January 1, 2021, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eligible contribution made to an eligible charitable organization under s. 402.62 against any tax due for a taxable year under s. 624.509(1) after deducting from such tax deductions for assessments made pursuant to s. 440.51; credits for taxes paid under ss. 175.101 and 185.08; credits for income taxes paid under chapter 220; and the credit allowed under s. 624.509(5), as such credit is limited by s. 624.509(6). An eligible contribution must be made to an eligible charitable organization on or before the date the taxpayer is required to

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file a return pursuant to ss. 624.509 and 624.5092. An insurer

claiming a credit against premium tax liability under this

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3274 section shall not be required to pay any additional retaliatory 3275 tax levied under s. 624.5091 as a result of claiming such 3276 credit. Section 624.5091 does not limit such credit in any 3277 manner. 3278 (2) Section 402.62 applies to the credit authorized by 3279 this section. 3280 Section 59. The Department of Revenue is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules under s. 3281 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing 3282 3283 provisions related to the Children's Promise Tax Credit created 3284 in this act. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, 3285 emergency rules adopted under this section are effective for 6 3286 months after adoption and may be renewed during the pendency of 3287 procedures to adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of 3288 the emergency rules. 3289 Section 60. For the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the sum of 3290 \$208,000 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General 3291 Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of 3292 implementing the provisions related to the Children's Promise 3293 Tax Credit created in this act. 3294 The Florida Institute for Child Welfare shall Section 61. 3295 analyze the use of funding provided by the tax credit authorized 3296 under s. 402.62 and submit a report to the Governor, the 3297 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by October 31, 2024. The report shall, at a 3298

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 minimum, include the total funding amount and categorize the funding by type of program, describe the programs that were funded, and assess the outcomes that were achieved using the funding.

Section 62. Subsections (4) and (8) of section 212.07, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (2) of that section is republished, to read:

- 212.07 Sales, storage, use tax; tax added to purchase price; dealer not to absorb; liability of purchasers who cannot prove payment of the tax; penalties; general exemptions.—
- (2) A dealer shall, as far as practicable, add the amount of the tax imposed under this chapter to the sale price, and the amount of the tax shall be separately stated as Florida tax on any charge ticket, sales slip, invoice, or other tangible evidence of sale. Such tax shall constitute a part of such price, charge, or proof of sale which shall be a debt from the purchaser or consumer to the dealer, until paid, and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as other debts. Where it is impracticable, due to the nature of the business practices within an industry, to separately state Florida tax on any charge ticket, sales slip, invoice, or other tangible evidence of sale, the department may establish an effective tax rate for such industry. The department may also amend this effective tax rate as the industry's pricing or practices change. Except as otherwise specifically provided, any dealer who neglects, fails,

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or refuses to collect the tax herein provided upon any, every, and all retail sales made by the dealer or the dealer's agents or employees of tangible personal property or services which are subject to the tax imposed by this chapter shall be liable for and pay the tax himself or herself.

- engaged in any business taxable under this chapter may not advertise or hold out to the public, in any manner, directly or indirectly, that he or she will pay absorb all or any part of the tax, or that he or she will relieve the purchaser of the payment of all or any part of the tax, or that the selling price of the property or services sold or released or, when added, that it or any part thereof will be refunded either directly or indirectly by any method whatsoever.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, a dealer may advertise or hold out to the public that he or she will pay all or any part of the tax on behalf of the purchaser, subject to both of the following conditions:
- 1. The dealer must expressly state on any charge ticket, sales slip, invoice, or other tangible evidence of sale given to the purchaser that the dealer will pay to the state the tax imposed by this chapter. The dealer may not indicate or imply that the transaction is exempt or excluded from the tax imposed by this chapter.
 - 2. A charge ticket, sales slip, invoice, or other tangible

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- evidence of the sale given to the purchaser must separately state the sale price and the amount of the tax in accordance with subsection (2).
- <u>(c)</u> A person who violates this <u>subsection commits</u> provision with respect to advertising or refund is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. A second or subsequent offense constitutes a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (8) Any person who has purchased at retail, used, consumed, distributed, or stored for use or consumption in this state tangible personal property, admissions, communication or other services taxable under this chapter, or leased tangible personal property, or who has leased, occupied, or used or was entitled to use any real property, space or spaces in parking lots or garages for motor vehicles, docking or storage space or spaces for boats in boat docks or marinas, and cannot prove that the tax levied by this chapter has been paid to his or her vendor, lessor, or other person or was paid on behalf of the purchaser by a dealer under subsection (4) is directly liable to the state for any tax, interest, or penalty due on any such taxable transactions.
- Section 63. Subsection (2) of section 212.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 212.15 Taxes declared state funds; penalties for failure

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 3374 to remit taxes; due and delinquent dates; judicial review.-

- (2) Any person who, with intent to unlawfully deprive or defraud the state of its moneys or the use or benefit thereof, fails to remit taxes collected or paid on behalf of a purchaser under this chapter commits theft of state funds, punishable as follows:
- (a) If the total amount of stolen revenue is less than \$1,000, the offense is a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. Upon a second conviction, the offender commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. Upon a third or subsequent conviction, the offender commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (b) If the total amount of stolen revenue is \$1,000 or more, but less than \$20,000, the offense is a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (c) If the total amount of stolen revenue is \$20,000 or more, but less than \$100,000, the offense is a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (d) If the total amount of stolen revenue is \$100,000 or more, the offense is a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

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3399 Section 64. For the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the sum of 3400 \$72,500 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General 3401 Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue to administer this 3402 act. 3403 Section 65. The Division of Law Revision is directed to 3404 replace the phrase "the effective date of this act" wherever it 3405 occurs in this act with the date this act becomes a law. 3406 Section 66. (1) The Department of Revenue is authorized, 3407 and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules 3408 pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of 3409 implementing the changes made by this act to ss. 206.05, 3410 206.8741, 206.90, 212.05, 212.134, 212.181, 213.21, and 220.1105, Florida Statutes. Notwithstanding any other provision 3411 3412 of law, emergency rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are 3413 effective for 6 months after adoption and may be renewed during 3414 the pendency of procedures to adopt permanent rules addressing 3415 the subject of the emergency rules. This section shall take effect upon this act becoming 3416 3417 a law. 3418 Section 67. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 3419 act, and except for this section, which shall take effect upon 3420 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020. 3421

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