Sales and Use Tax Exemption Extended
For Labor and Equipment Used in the
Repair and Maintenance of Certain Aircraft

Effective May 20, 2013, the sales and use tax exemption for replacement engines, parts, equipment, and labor used in or for the maintenance or repair of rotary wing aircraft (i.e. helicopters) was expanded to include aircraft that exceed 2,000 pounds in maximum certified takeoff weight. Previously, the exemption for labor charges was limited to rotary wing aircraft that exceed 10,000 pounds in maximum certified takeoff weight. The exemption for replacement engines, parts, and equipment was limited to rotary wing aircraft that exceed 10,300 pounds in maximum certified takeoff weight.

Dealers who make tax-exempt charges for replacement engines, parts, equipment, and labor used in or for the maintenance or repair of aircraft over 2,000 pounds are required to document the Federal Aviation Administration registration number (“N-number”) and the maximum certified takeoff weight of the eligible aircraft on the bill of sale, invoice, or other tangible evidence of sale.

Current exemptions for qualified and fixed wing aircraft are unchanged. Replacement engines, parts, equipment, and labor used in or for the maintenance or repair of fixed wing aircraft with a maximum certified takeoff weight of more than 2,000 pounds remain exempt.

References: Section 4, Chapter 2013-42, Laws of Florida; Sections 212.02(33), 212.08(7)(ee) and (rr), and 212.0801, Florida Statutes (2012)

For More Information

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