Dixie County Increases Its Tourist Development Tax Rate Beginning October 1, 2017

Effective October 1, 2017, the tourist development tax rate on transient rental transactions occurring within Dixie County increases from 2% to 3%. The combined tax rate for Dixie County transient rentals will be 10%, composed of the 6% state sales tax, the 3% tourist development tax, and the 1% small county surtax. The Dixie County Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 2017-19 increasing the tourist development tax.

The Department will mail replacement coupon books to Dixie County dealers who will be reporting the tourist development tax. (Dealers who file electronically will not receive a coupon book.) The returns in the new coupon books will indicate a combined transient rental tax rate and surtax rate of 10%, as illustrated in the example below:

Report the Dixie County tourist development tax along with sales tax on Line D of the Florida Sales and Use Tax Return (Form DR-15). The combined tax for transient rentals in Dixie County will change to 10%. The combined rate is composed of 6% sales tax plus the 3% tourist development tax, and the 1% small county surtax.
The 10% combined transient rental tax must be collected by every person who receives consideration for renting, leasing, or letting for a term of six months or less any living quarters or accommodations in Dixie County in a hotel, motel, apartment house, multiple unit structure (e.g., duplex, triplex, condominium), rooming house, tourist or mobile home court (e.g., trailer court, RV camp), single family dwelling, garage apartment, beach house or cottage, cooperatively-owned apartment, condominium parcel, or mobile home. Transient rentals that are exempt from sales tax are also exempt from the tourist development tax.

References: Dixie County Ordinance 2017-19; Section 125.0104(10), Florida Statutes

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