Holmes County Increases Its Tourist Development Tax Rate
Beginning January 1, 2018

Effective January 1, 2018, the tourist development tax rate on transient rental transactions occurring within Holmes County increases from 2% to 3%. The combined tax rate for Holmes 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 Holmes County Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 17-05 increasing the tourist development tax.

The Department will mail replacement coupon books to Holmes 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 Holmes 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 Holmes 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 Holmes 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: Holmes County Ordinance No. 17-05; Section 125.0104(10), Florida Statutes

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