Bay County School Capital Outlay Surtax Continues at 0.5% Rate

The combined state and local sales and use tax rate for Bay County will continue to be 7%. The combined rate is composed of the 6% state sales tax plus the 0.5% local government infrastructure surtax and the 0.5% school capital outlay surtax. All state sales and use tax and local surtaxes collected must be reported and remitted to the Florida Department of Revenue.

When the amount of a sale is less than one dollar or falls between whole dollar amounts, you must use Florida’s bracket system to calculate the combined tax and surtax. The Common Sales Tax Brackets table (Form DR-2X) provides the bracket amounts to calculate the combined 7% sales tax and surtax rate. Form DR-2X and other tax rate brackets are available on the Department’s webpage floridarevenue.com/taxes/rates under “Sales and Use Tax, Surtax, E911 Fee, Asphalt Use Tax Index Rates.”

A Bay County Referendum approved by voters on August 28, 2018, extends the expiration date of the 0.5% school capital outlay surtax that was scheduled to expire December 31, 2020, to December 31, 2030.

References: Bay County Referendum; Sections 212.054 and 212.055, Florida Statutes

For More Information

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For forms and other information, visit the Department’s website at floridarevenue.com or call Taxpayer Services at 850-488-6800, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

For a detailed written response to your questions, write the Florida Department of Revenue, Taxpayer Services MS 3-2000, 5050 West Tennessee Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0112.

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