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Liberty County School Capital Outlay Surtax Expires December 31, 2020, and Emergency Fire Rescue Services Surtax is Extended

Effective January 1, 2021, the combined state and local sales and use tax rate for Liberty County will be 7.5%. The Liberty County 0.5% school capital outlay surtax will expire on December 31, 2020. Therefore, on or after January 1, 2021, dealers in Liberty County must collect and remit local surtax and sales and use tax at the rate of 7.5%. The combined rate will be composed of the 6% state sales tax plus the 1% small county surtax, and the 0.5% emergency fire rescue services surtax. All state sales and use tax and local surtaxes collected must be reported and remitted to the Florida Department of Revenue (Department).

In the November 3, 2020, general election voters approved an amendment to a Liberty County Board of County Commissioners Ordinance extending the expiration date of the 0.5% emergency fire rescue services surtax that was scheduled to expire December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2026.

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 7.5% 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."

References: Liberty County Board of County Commissioners Ordinance 2020-03; Sections 212.054 and 212.055, Florida Statutes

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