

INTERIM UPDATE



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TAXATION

SB 620- Relating to Disaster Preparedness Tax Exemption

On Monday, November 13th, SB 620, by Senator Kathleen Passidomo (R-Naples) was heard by the Senate Committee on Commerce and Tourism and passed. **AIF's Senior Vice President of State and Federal Affairs, Brewster Bevis, stood in support of this bill.**

This bill establishes a 10-day (from June 1-10, 2018) sales tax exemption on certain items relating to disaster preparedness and protection. During the exemption period, the following items, will be exempt from state sales and use tax and county discretionary sales surtaxes: certain light sources, radios, tarps, "tie-down" kits, fuel tanks, batteries, first aid kits, cellular telephone chargers, food storage coolers, portable generators, storm shutter devices, carbon monoxide detectors, reusable ice, personal locator beacons, and emergency position-indicating radio beacons.

AIF supports legislation that provides Florida's families and business community with a 10-day disaster preparedness tax exemption encouraging them to protect their assets against potential destruction.