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Ward

<u>Present law</u> provides for three annual sales tax holidays: hurricane preparedness in May, general consumer purchases in August, and Second Amendment in September.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a state and local sales tax exemption for eligible purchases made during the Second Amendment sales tax holiday, but only for a state sales tax exemption for eligible purchases for the annual and hurricane preparedness holidays.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides a state and local sales tax exemption for eligible purchases for all three sales tax holidays.

Proposed law moves all three holidays to the last consecutive Saturday and Sunday in July.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the general sales tax holiday applies to the first \$2,500 of the purchase price of eligible items, the first \$1,500 of hurricane preparedness supplies, and the entire purchase price of eligible items purchased during the Second Amendment holiday.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that all three holidays will apply to the first \$2,500 of the purchase price of any eligible items.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that consumer purchases eligible for the three holidays do not include items not purchased from a physical retail location in the state.

<u>Present law</u> includes off-road vehicles, and vessels such as ATVs, airboats, and pirogues used for hunting purchased during the Second Amendment holiday to the list of eligible items.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes purchases of titled vessels and vehicles from the list of eligible items for the Second Amendment holiday.

Present law suspends all three sales tax holidays until July 1, 2025.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds the sales tax holidays to the list of currently applicable tax exemptions.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 47:305.54(B), 305.58(A)(1), (2)(b), and (F), and 305.62(B)(1), (2), and (3); adds R.S. 47:302(BB)(110), 321(P)(111), 321.1(I)(111), 331(V)(111), and 337.9(D)(34)-(36))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

<u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to</u> <u>the original bill</u>

- 1. Extends annual sales tax holiday and hurricane preparedness holiday exemptions to local sales tax.
- 2. Changes the holidays from three to two days.
- 3. Removes titled vehicles and vessels from eligible purchases for Second Amendment holiday.
- 4. Adds items not purchased from a physical retail location in the state from the list of eligible items for all three holidays.