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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact § 58.1-3734 of the Code of Virginia, relating to license tax on motor 3 vehicle dealers.

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Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 6

7 1. That § 58.1-3734 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 8

§ 58.1-3734. License tax on motor vehicle dealers.

9 A. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 58.1-605, whenever any county, city or town locality imposes 10 a license tax applicable to motor vehicle dealers measured by the gross receipts of such dealer, the dealer may separately state the amount of tax applicable to each sale of a motor vehicle and add such 11 12 tax to the sales price of the motor vehicle. It shall be unlawful for a motor vehicle dealer to collect an amount stated separately as such if such dealer knows the amount to be greater than the tax applicable 13 14 to such sale. The failure of such merchant to recover the tax from the purchaser shall not relieve such 15 merchant from the obligation to pay the tax to the county, city or town locality. Any county, city or town locality may provide by ordinance for the quarterly collection of the gross receipt taxes on such 16 17 dealers who separately state during the year such receipts are earned.

18 B. A motor vehicle dealer who collects excess business license tax shall exercise due diligence to 19 refund such tax, in excess of one dollar, to the purchaser within 120 days of discovering such 20 overpayment, and such dealer shall produce evidence of such refund to the commissioner of the revenue or other local assessing officer upon the request of either. Any amounts that are not refunded to 21 22 purchasers shall be remitted to the commissioner of the revenue or other local assessing officer. During 23 a three-year period after receipt of such amounts, the commissioner of the revenue or other local 24 assessing officer and the treasurer, as that term is defined in § 58.1-3123, shall refund such amounts as 25 appropriate to purchasers who produce documentation verifying such overpayment. At the expiration of 26 this period, the commissioner of the revenue or other local assessing officer shall consider these funds 27 as additional business license tax. The locality may recover from the motor vehicle dealer its costs of mailing, printing, and other reasonably necessary administrative costs related to refunding such amounts 28 29 to purchasers.

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