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House Speaker Renner Fires Up "Freedom Summer" Savings

Tallahassee (May 30, 2023) – Florida House Speaker Paul Renner (R-Palm Coast) today announced the beginning of the three-month-long Freedom Summer sales tax holiday on recreational items and events that started yesterday.

"For the entire summer, Floridians will be able to buy event tickets, outdoor recreational items, and even gym memberships tax-free to experience the best Florida has to offer," said Speaker Renner. "Summer is a time to explore, to try new things, and to create lasting memories with friends and family. We want to make it easier for everyone to do that by offering tax savings on all the things that make Florida summers great."

Ways and Means Chair Stan McClain (R-Ocala) added, "The Freedom Summer Sales Tax holiday is a celebration of freedom, and I encourage every Floridian to take advantage of incredible savings while relishing the joys of the summer season. This newly expanded tax break will run from May 29 through September 4, giving you plenty of time to take advantage of the savings. So whether you're planning a weekend camping trip or looking for a fun day out with the family, be sure to check out Freedom Summer and save on all your favorite recreation items and events."

During Freedom Summer, May 29 through September 4, the following will be sales tax free:

- Children's athletic equipment (under \$100) and toys (under \$75)
- Admissions to live music events, live sporting events, movie theaters, and state parks (for use on events scheduled to be held before the end of the year)
- Fitness facility dues and fees
- Outdoor recreation items (under certain dollar amounts)
 - Boating/water sports (snorkels, masks, life jackets, inflatable tubes, etc.)
 - Fishing supplies (rods, reels, bait, tackle, etc.)
 - Pool toys, supplies, & chemicals
 - Camping supplies (collapsible chairs, sleeping bags, binoculars, tents, etc.)
 - General outdoor supplies (sunscreen, insect repellant, water bottles, etc.)

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