

CALHOUN COUNTY
ORDINANCE NO. 2003 - 03

DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY
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AN ORDINANCE OF CALHOUN COUNTY, ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL COMMUNICATION SERVICE TAX, PROVIDING FOR DISCRETIONARY TAX, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Statutes Section 202.19 authorizes counties and other local governments to levy a discretionary communications service tax ; and

WHEREAS, due to increased costs in operating the County's 911 services and other increased costs within the county government; and

WHEREAS, Calhoun County is at the 10-mil cap;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALHOUN COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. TITLE

This Ordinance shall be cited as the "COMMUNICATION SERVICES TAX ORDINANCE".

SECTION 2. DISCRETIONARY COMMUNICATION SERVICES TAX

Calhoun County shall levy, pursuant to Florida Statutes §202.19, a discretionary communication services tax of 1.6%, with an add-on rate of .24%, pursuant to Florida Statute §337.401, for a total rate of 1.84% The levying of this tax shall serve a public function and shall offset the costs set forth above.

The proceeds from the discretionary communication services tax shall be used solely to fund the County's 911 service and any excess funds shall be used for the construction, maintenance and employee expense involved in the construction and maintenance of the county road system.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or ptovision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, unconstitutional, inoperative, or void by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way effect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATES

This Ordinance shall take effect September 30, 2003, and upon its passage by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners in and for Calhoun County, after due notice and publication, in the regular meeting, and upon being filed with the Secretary of State.

ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF May, 2003, BY A VOTE OF 5
TO 0.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CALHOUN COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Jim Pickron
Jim Pickron, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ruth W. Attaway
Ruth W. Attaway, Clerk

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