#### REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE

TAX: Local Fees

ISSUE: Airport Parking Fees – exemption for vehicles equipped for power mobility devices

**BILL NUMBER(S):** CS for SB 780 **SPONSOR(S):** Senator Ring

MONTH/YEAR COLLECTION IMPACT BEGINS: July 1, 2012

**DATE OF ANALYSIS:** February 23, 2012

#### **SECTION 1: NARRATIVE**

**a. Current Law:** An airport that owns, operates, or leases parking facilities, or any other parking facilities that are used for the purpose of air travel, may charge for parking vehicles that display a disabled parking permit or license tag. However, the governing body of each publicly owned or publicly operated airport must grant free parking to any vehicle with specialized equipment, such as ramps, lifts, or foot or hand controls or for utilization by a person who has a disability or whose vehicle is displaying the Florida Toll Exemption permit.

**b. Proposed Change:** The governing body of each publicly owned/operated airport must grant free parking to any vehicle with specialized equipment such as ramps, lifts, foot or hand controls or attachments to transport power mobility devices as defined in 42 C.F.R. s. 410.38 for use by a person with a disability.

## **SECTION 2: DESCRIPTION OF DATA AND SOURCES**

Various websites for airports Discussions with directors of airports and airport council Discussion with DOT – Transportation Disadvantaged

## SECTION 3: METHODOLOGY (INCLUDE ASSUMPTIONS AND ATTACH DETAILS)

See attached

## **SECTION 4: PROPOSED FISCAL IMPACT**

State Impact: All Funds	FY 2012-13 Cash	FY 2012-13 Annualized	FY 2013-14 Cash	FY 2014-15 Cash	FY 2015-16 Cash
High	(\$9.1m)	(\$9.1m)	(\$9.4m)	(\$9.8m)	(\$10.2m)
Middle	(\$1.1m)	(\$1.1m)	(\$1.2m)	(\$1.2m)	(\$1.3m)
Low	(\$0.1m)	(\$0.1m)	(\$0.1m)	(\$0.1m)	(\$0.2m)

# SECTION 5: CONSENSUS ESTIMATE (ADOPTED 2/24/12) The conference adopted an estimate twice the recommended low estimate.

	FY 2012-13	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16
	Cash	Annualized	Cash	Cash	Cash
General Revenue					
State Trust					
Total State Impact					
Total Local Impact	(\$.3m)	(\$.3m)	(\$.3m)	(\$.3m)	(\$.4m)
Total Impact	(\$.3m)	(\$.3m)	(\$.3m)	(\$.3m)	(\$.4m)

#### **Current Law:**

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Florida Toll Exemption permit - Any person who has a valid driver's license, operates a vehicle specially equipped for use by the disabled, and has a severe and permanent upper limb mobility or dexterity impairment that substantially impairs the person's ability to deposit coins in toll baskets. Currently 9,500 permits issued. (FL DOT)

#### Changes:

The governing body of each publicly owned/operated airport must grant free parking to any vehicle with specialized equipment such as ramps, lifts, foot or hand controls or <u>attachments to transport power mobility devices</u> as defined in 42 C.F.R. s. 410.38 for use by a person with a disability. Effective 07/01/2012

42 C.F.R. s. 410.38 - Power mobility device means a covered item of durable medical equipment that is in a class of wheelchairs that includes a power wheelchair (a four-wheeled motorized vehicle whose steering is operated by an electronic device or a joystick to control direction and turning) or a power-operated vehicle (a three or four-wheeled motorized scooter that is operated by a tiller) that a beneficiary uses in the home.

Florida Airports Council - Director

7 airports carry close to 90% of Florida's traffic

Miami International Airport
Orlando International Airport

Ft Lauderdale/Hollywood International

Tampa International Airport
Jacksonville International Airport
Palm Beach International Airport

Southwest Florida International Airport (Ft Myers)

Other commercial airports:

Orlando-Sanford International Airport

Pensacola International Airpor

Northwest Florida Regional Airport (Valparaiso/Fort Walton Beach)

Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport (Panama City)

Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport

Gainesville Regional Airport

Melbourne International Airport

Daytona Beach Int'l

Key West International

St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport 2

Tallahassee Regional Airport

Punta Gorda Airport

#### Miami International Airport

MIA currently waives parking fees for patrons who have disabled parking placards, for specially equipped vehicles and vehicles with Toll Exemption Decals. Parking revenue for 2011 was \$37.5 million.

In 2011, MIA waived parking fees for 117,890 parking transactions, account for \$3.1 million in waived parking revenue.

Had MIA adhered exclusively to Florida law, exempting only specially equipped vehicles and vehicles with Toll Exemption Decals, this new bill could have a bigger impact on waived parking revenue. If one projects that many drivers of vehicles equipped for transporting power mobility devices could also have disabled parking placards, the impact of this new bill may not be significant.

#### Broward county Aviation Department (Ft Lauderdale-Hollywood Int'l Airport)

Currently exempts vehicles equipped for motorized devices.

Palm Beach International Airport - Currently exempts specially equipped vehicles. Receives around \$10m a year in parking fees.

#### Tampa International Airport

Tampa International Airport (TPA) does not exempt parking fees for vehicles that are only equipped for Power Mobility Devices unless they are equipped with a transponder or specially equipped consistent with current law.

TPA's total annual parking revenue is over \$51 million dollars annually.

TPA had 946 transactions receiving exemptions valued at \$65,808.

#### Orlando International Airport

Currently only exempt those who have Florida Toll Exemption Permit. It would have a large impact, vehicle would only need to have a scooter tray to get exemption. Currently, don't exempt if they only have a handicap placard. Estimate currently exempt \$18,000 in parking fees (1800 vehicles).

#### Jacksonville International Airport

Currently grant free parking to any vehicle with specialized equipment or the Florida Toll Exemption permit. Average \$9,000 a year in exempt fees. Collected FY 2010 \$15,216,426 FY 2011 \$16,180,512 in total fees.

#### Lee County Port Authority - Southwest Florida International Airport (FT Myers)

Lee County Port Authority currently exempts vehicles that are equipped for power mobility devices.

# 2010 Passengers - top 7 airports

	Passengers	
Orlando International Airport	34,877,507	36.4%
Miami International Airport	16,891,956	17.6%
Tampa International Airport	16,645,765	17.4%
Fort Lauderdale - Hollywood Int'l Airport	8,510,794	8.9%
Jacksonville International Airport (2011)	5,495,056	5.7%
Palm Beach International Airport	5,887,723	6.1%
Southwest Florida Int'l Airport (Ft Myers)	7,514,316	7.8%
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# From the scooter store - equipment to transport power mobility devices



Inside lift for power mobility device



outside power lift



Parking Fees:
TAMPA INTERATIONAL AIRPORT

Short 61-80 minutes - \$4

Term: Each add. 20 min - \$1 Max per 24 hrs - \$20

0-60 minutes - Free

0-60 minutes - Free 61-80 minutes - \$4

Max per 24 hrs - \$15

Each additional 20 minutes - \$1

MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Every 20 minutes \$2.00

Max Daily Rate \$17.00

ORLANDO INT'L AIRPORT

Daily rates \$10-\$17

Fold-A-Ramp

Long

Term



**EZ Carrier** 

	2011 Parking Fees Collected	Fees	Fees	Exempt motorized		# of
Airport	(millions)	Exempted	Exempted %	devices currently?	% total fees	passengers
Miami	\$37.5	\$3.10	8.27%	Υ	22%	16,891,956
Tampa	\$51.0	\$0.07	0.13%	N	30%	16,645,765
Orlando	\$44.7	\$0.02	0.04%	N	26%	34,877,507
Ft Laud/						
Hollywood				Υ		8,510,794
Jacksonville	\$16.2	\$0.01	0.06%	Υ	9%	5,495,056
Palm Beach	\$10.0			Y		5,887,723
Ft Myers	\$12.5	\$0.02	0.17%	Y	7%	7,514,316

\$171.9

		Avg Jax/Ft		
Miami - 8.27%		Myers	0.11%	Passengers except Ft lauderdale/hollywood
TPA/ORL	8.27%	0.11%	1%	87,312,323
2011 \$95.7	\$7.9	\$0.11 \$	1.0	Fee/passenger \$ 1.97
			Fee	FT Lauder/Hollywood 16,751,324
Top 7 equals 90% of parking fees.				
Rest of airports	8.27%	0.11%	1%	51% of fees aren't exempt.
\$21.0	\$0.9	\$0.01	\$0.1	
Total	\$8.8	\$0.12	\$1.1	

G	row by REC 12/2011	L - Total Visitors				
09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16
1.60%	3.90%	2.70%	2.10%	2.90%	4.10%	3.80%
		11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16
Н	igh (8.27%)	\$9.0	\$9.1	\$9.4	\$9.8	\$10.2
N	1iddle (1%)	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.2	\$1.2	\$1.3
Lo	ow (.11%)	\$0.13	\$0.13	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.2