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2019 Legislative Changes



New York State passes a budget every year. The budget usually contains changes that affect sales and use tax and this year is no different. We've already discussed the Marketplace Provider Tax [read here](#) but there's other changes as well.

Some of the changes are sweet ones: The exemption for candy, fruit drinks and soft drinks sold for \$1.50 or less from vending machines has been increased to \$2.00 if the vending machine accepts payment other than coin or currency regardless of whether the machine also accepts coin or currency. Bottled water has also been added to this exemption.

Some of the changes cover grim topics: The exemption for cemetery monuments is expanded to include tangible personal property that becomes a physical component of the monument.

Some of the changes are mundane: The mandate for electronic return filing and electronic payment has been extended until December 31, 2024 so make sure to

continue filing your sales and use tax returns online.

Some of the changes are rather specific: There is an increase in the tax rate on the rental of passenger cars. The distinction is that the increase in counties within the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District (MCTD) is greater than the increase than those counties outside of the MCTD but both rates will now be 12%.

And some of the changes are substantial: Vapor products will now be subject to a 20% supplemental tax and a registration and renewal requirement will be put in place for vapor product dealers. These vapor products include but are not limited to electronic cigarettes, electronic cigars and vaping pens.

Whether you need assistance with the new rules or the old rules that haven't changed, we can help you! Contact Sales Tax Defense LLC with any sales and use tax questions you may have!

Sales Tax Liability Settled for \$0.10 on the \$1.00!!



A Taxpayer had a business that was closed; however, the business's sales tax liability was transferred to the responsible officers of the company. This liability totaled \$185,000 and there was no way the taxpayers were able to afford the monthly payment amount on such a large liability.

ABOUT THE FIRM



We are a dedicated team of sales and use tax professionals who have committed our careers to helping businesses and fellow professionals with sales and use tax problems.

Since the only work we are focused on is sales tax consulting, businesses never

large liability.

Tax Defense worked with the Taxpayers to compile all of their financial information and complete the financial disclosure forms and application to file an Offer-In-Compromise. Tax Defense also worked with the Taxpayers to determine what a fair settlement would be based on their current assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

Once the Offer-In-Compromise was assigned to a reviewer (2 years later), Tax Defense explained certain asset information and why it was less valuable than what appeared to be on the surface. There were negotiations back and forth until a settlement of \$19,500 was reached! The taxpayer was able to pay this amount over 48 months. This payment allowed the Taxpayer to live their day to day life without the added undue economic hardship of this enormous liability.

have to be concerned that we will try to sell them other services they do not need. And professionals never have to be concerned with Sales Tax Defense LLC encroaching on their client relationships, because we view you, our fellow professional, as our client.

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"I wanted to reach out and thank you and your firm for the work on my VDA last year. I very much appreciate the knowledgeable guidance and professional approach to the work on my case. While I hope I do not need your services in the future, I wouldn't hesitate to recommend you to other people I know that may need your help."

Troy

Business Owner

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