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## Ohio's Second Sales Tax Holiday is Almost Here

*Tax Commissioner Joe Testa Reminds Ohioans about Tax Free Weekend*

COLUMBUS, Ohio – August 3, 2016 – Ohioans once again have the chance to shop for their back-to-school supplies -- sales tax free. The state's second annual sales tax holiday enacted by Senate Bill 264, will start at 12:00 a.m. Friday, August 5, 2016 and run until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, August 7, 2016.

During those three days, the following items will be exempt from the combined state and local sales and use tax:

- Clothing priced at \$75.00 per item or less;
- School supplies priced at \$20.00 per item or less; and
- School instructional material priced at \$20.00 per item or less.

There is no limit on the number of items purchased. Merchandise bought for use in a trade or business is not eligible for the sales tax holiday.

"The new school year also means additional expenses for families, so this sales tax holiday gives Ohioans the opportunity to stretch their dollars a little further," said Ohio Tax Commissioner Joe Testa. "Every little bit helps and after last year's positive response to Ohio's first sales tax holiday, we are pleased families can again take advantage of the temporary tax relief."

The holiday was authorized by Senate Bill 264, passed in the most recent legislative session and signed into law by Governor John Kasich this spring.

In addition to in-store sales, the sales tax exemption also applies to eligible items purchased online, by mail, telephone or email. To qualify, the order must be placed, paid for and accepted by the retailer for immediate shipment during the sales tax holiday, though actual delivery can be completed after the exemption period.

For more information, frequently asked questions, and a detailed list of items that qualify for the sales tax exemption, please visit the Ohio Department of Taxation's [sales tax holiday](#) webpage.

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