**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE** 



Sales and Use Tax Bureau

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## NOTICE TO ALL TAXPAYERS SUBJECT TO THE CITY OF BALDWYN TOURISM TAX

House Bill 653, as passed during the 2019 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, extends the repeal date of the City of Baldwyn 2% Tourism Tax to be levied on certain businesses in the corporate limits of the City of Baldwyn. The Bill levies a two percent (2%) tax on the gross proceeds of hotels and motels located in the corporate limits of the City of Baldwyn and a two percent (2%) tax on the gross proceeds of sales of restaurants and sales or prepared foods at convenience stores within the corporate limits of the City of Baldwyn. The effective date of the imposition shall be April 1, 2019. The receipts from this levy will be used to promote Tourism for the City of Baldwyn.

For purposes of this levy, the term "hotel" or "motel" means any establishment engaged in the business of furnishing or providing six (6) or more rooms intended or designed for dwelling, lodging or sleeping purposes to transient guests. The term "hotel" or "motel" does not include any hospital, convalescent or nursing home or sanitarium, or any hotel-like facility operated by or in connection with a hospital or medical clinic providing rooms exclusively for patients and their families.

For purposes of this levy, the term "restaurant" or "convenience store" means all places where prepared food and beverages are sold for consumption, whether the food is consumed on the premises or not. The terms "restaurant" or "convenience store" do not include any school, hospital, convalescent or nursing home, or any restaurant-like facility operated or in connection with a school, hospital, medical clinic, convalescent or nursing home providing food for students, patients, visitors or their families.

**IMPORTANT:** Beginning April 1, 2019, continue collecting the seven (7%) sales tax using rate code 74. In addition, you should begin collecting the additional two percent (2%) on hotels and motels, as well as the additional two percent (2%) on restaurants. You should report the additional two percent (2%) tax on hotels using Rate Code 99, and report the additional two percent (2%) on restaurants using rate code 92. If applicable, remit the tax online using Taxpayer Access Point (TAP) or on paper form 72-010 Sales and Special Tax Return by May 20, 2019.