

July 31, 1987

GEORGIA HOTEL AND MOTEL OPERATORS:

On April 2, 1987 Act No. 621 amending section 48-13-51 of the Georgia Code became effective. This Act provides that Georgia state or local government officials or employees traveling on official business should not be charged county or municipal excise tax on lodging. Sales tax is not exempted under the current sales tax law, since the payment of hotel/motel bills by an employee is not considered to be payment made directly by a state agency from appropriated funds. Upon verification of the identity of the state official or employee identified below, Georgia hotel and motel operators are authorized to exempt the individual from any applicable county or municipal lodging excise tax. Sales tax, however, should continue to be charged.

A copy of this notification should be maintained with your tax records to document the individual's status as a state official or employee traveling on official business. If you have any questions, please contact the Fiscal or Accounting Office of the department or agency employing the individual below.

**STATE OF GEORGIA
EXEMPTION OF THE LOCAL HOTEL/MOTEL EXCISE TAX**

CERTIFICATION – THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE LODGING OBTAINED ON THE DATE(S) IDENTIFIED BELOW WAS REQUIRED IN THE DISCHARGE OF MY OFFICIAL DUTIES FOR THE STATE AND QUALIFIES FOR EXEMPTION OF THE LOCAL HOTEL/MOTEL EXCISE TAX UNDER OCGA CHAPTER 48-13, (AMENDED BY ACT 621)

Signature of Official or Employee: _____	Date: _____
Name of Official or Employee: _____	_____
<small>Name (Print or Type) Title</small>	
Agency Representing: _____	<u>VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY</u>
Accounting/Fiscal Office Contact: <u>Accounts Payable</u>	Phone: <u>(229) 333-5708</u>
Date(s) of Lodging: _____	_____