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## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

## LOCAL TAX RATE CHANGES NOTIFICATION

**ST-588** (Rev. 2/26/18) 5313

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Effective May 1, 2018

File Number:

Notice Date:

**TO**: Retailers Located in or Making Sales to Spartanburg County

FROM: South Carolina Department of Revenue

**REFERENCE:** New Local 1% Capital Projects Tax for Spartanburg County

**Effective May 1, 2018**, Spartanburg County's new Sales and Use Tax rate is 7% instead of 6%. Prior to May 1, 2018, Spartanburg County did not impose a local Sales and Use Tax.

- The May 2018 Sales and Use Tax return (due June 20, 2018) will be the first month you will need to report the new local tax.
- Sales of unprepared foods will be exempt from the 1% Capital Projects Tax and the 6% state Sales and Use Tax. This exemption applies to everyone and not just people using food stamps.
- All other sales or purchases in Spartanburg County are subject to the 6% state Sales and Use Tax and the 1% Capital Projects Tax.
- The Spartanburg County Capital Projects Tax will be reported under code "1042" on page 1 of Form ST-389 (Schedule for Local Taxes).

Effective May 1, 2018, York County will reimpose its 1% Capital Projects Tax.

You may file and pay state and local Sales and Use Taxes on our website using MyDORWAY at MyDORWAY.dor.sc.gov.

**Note:** Construction contractors who enter into contracts or who submit written bids before the new local tax effective date may apply for an exemption from the new local Sales and Use Tax rate. This special exemption certificate applies only if the contractor buys building materials used by the contractor on a construction contract in a county for which an exemption certificate has been issued. Contractors wishing to apply for the local Sales and Use Tax exemption should complete Form ST-10C.

Additionally, Form ST-389 will change in May 2018. Most county and municipality names and codes will no longer be preprinted on the form. This information will be available in the ST-389 instructions, which can be found on our website at **dor.sc.gov**. To avoid delays in processing your return, be sure to use the most current version of all Sales and Use Tax forms.

If you have questions, please call 1-844-898-8542.