



April 30, 2015

Dear AAAA members:

During the 90<sup>th</sup> General Assembly that concluded on April 22, 2015, the Arkansas Agricultural Aviation Association (AAAA) had a reasonable amount of success in extending the current sales tax exemption for parts for turbo planes weighing 12,500 pounds or more on take-off to the labor services required to install the parts on or in the plane. While this does not represent the full objective we have to exempt all agricultural aircraft for parts and labor, this does move the needle in a more favorable direction. [Act 1182](#) of 2015 was HB 1662 sponsored by House Revenue and Tax Committee Chairman, Joe Jett and Senate Revenue and Tax Committee Chairman, Jake Files. The AAAA lobby team worked with the chairs to tweak the current statute to extend the current sales tax exemption for parts to the labor services. This exemption went into effect on April 7, 2015 when Governor Asa Hutchinson signed the bill into law.

If you have had repairs made to your aircraft after April 7, 2015, you are eligible for the exemption from that date and going forward.

“We are pleased that Representative Jett and Senator Files worked with us to accomplish a portion of our public policy agenda in this legislative session. We look forward to continuing to work with them and leadership to see if additional progress can be made in the next Regular Session in 2017,” said Tommy Anderson, AAAA President.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the AAAA office and ask for me or a member of the AAAA lobbying team. We’ll be happy to assist you in any way that we can.

Kindest regards,

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