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Executive Limousine Transportation, Inc. v. Curry

Court of Appeals of Georgia - October 26, 2021 - S.E.2d - 2021 WL 4979102

Licensed limousine carrier filed action challenging the decision of the commissioner of the department of revenue denying carrier's application for a refund of previously remitted state and local-option sales taxes as well as a declaration that owner would owe no such taxes in the future.

The Tax Tribunal granted summary judgment in favor of commissioner. Carrier appealed. The Superior Court affirmed. Application for discretionary review was granted.

The Court of Appeals, as a matter of first impression, held that Georgia Limousine Carrier Act did not prohibit local governments from imposing state or local-option sales taxes on for-hire limousine carriers.

Georgia Limousine Carrier Act, which barred local governments from imposing excise, license, and occupation taxes on limousine carriers, did not prohibit local governments from imposing state or local-option sales taxes on for-hire limousine carriers and their customers for the rental of limousines.