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[Business and Tax Regulations Code - Hotel Tax Exemption Increase]

Ordinance amending the Business and Tax Regulations Code, Article 7 (Tax on Transient Occupancy of Hotel Rooms), to increase the daily exemption amount from \$30 to \$40; and to require future review by the Controller of the daily and weekly exemption amounts.

> **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font. **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*. Deletions to Codes are in strikethrough italies Times New Roman font. Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font. Board amendment deletions are in strikethrough Arial font. Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

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NOTE:

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The Business and Tax Regulations Code is hereby amended by revising Article 7, Section 506, to read as follows:

SEC. 506. EXEMPTIONS.

No tax shall be imposed hereunder:

- Upon a permanent resident-: (a)
- Upon a corporation or association having a formally recognized exemption from (b) income taxation pursuant to Section 501(c) or 501(d) or 401(a) of Title 26 of the United States Code as qualified by Sections 502, 503, 504 and 508 of Title 26 of the United States Code, or
- Where the rent is less than at the rate of \$3040 a day or \$100 per week. For (c) multiple-occupancy guest rooms where the hotel determines who will share the rooms, the exemption shall be based on the rent charged per person.

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(d) Between three years and five years after the effective date of the ordinance setting the daily exemption amount in subsection (c) as \$40 a day, the Controller's Office shall review the exemption amounts in subsection (c), and make a written report and recommendation to the Mayor as to whether the amounts should be adjusted to take into account, among other things, changes in the economy; the cost of living; impact on the City's revenue; and affordability and overall impact on the market for hotel guest rooms subject to the transient occupancy tax.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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Deputy City Attorney

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Ben Rosenfield, City Controller, Office of the Controller

FROM:

Linda Wong, Assistant Clerk, Budget and Finance Committee, Board of

Supervisors

DATE:

December 2, 2014

SUBJECT:

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Budget and Finance Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Mayor Lee on November 4, 2014:

File No. 141146

Ordinance amending the Business and Tax Regulations Code, Article 7 (Tax on Transient Occupancy of Hotel Rooms), to increase the daily exemption amount from \$30 to \$40; and to require future review by the Controller of the daily and weekly exemption amounts.

If you have any additional comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Office of the Mayor san francisco



EDWIN M. LEE Mayor

TO:

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Mayor Edwin M. Lee

RE:

Business and Tax Regulations Code - Hotel Tax Exemption Increase

DATE:

November 4, 2014

Attached for introduction to the Board of Supervisors is an ordinance amending Article 7 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code (Tax on Transient Occupancy of Hotel Rooms) to increase the daily exemption amount from \$30 to \$40, and to require future review by the Controller of the daily and weekly exemption amounts.

Should you have any questions, please contact Nicole Wheaton at (415) 554-7940.

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