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ORDINANCE

Administrative Code - Notice and Filing Period for an Application for Reduction of an Escape Tax Assessment] Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require that an application for reduction of an escape tax assessment be filed with the Administrator of the Assessment Appeals Board no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the tax bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later. Unchanged Code text and uncodified text are in plain Arial font. NOTE: Additions to Codes are in single-underline italics Times New Roman font. Deletions to Codes are in strikethrough italics 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. Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco: Section 1. Background. Section 1605 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code requires that an (a) assessee be personally notified of an assessment made outside of the regular assessment period, an "escape assessment," before the assessment is valid for any purpose including its review, equalization, and adjustment by the Assessment Appeals Board. (b) Section 1603(b) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code permits a taxpayer to apply for a reduction in an assessment, no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the notice of assessment, or within 60 days of the date of the mailing printed on the tax bill if the taxpayer does not receive the notice of assessment. (c) Section 1605(c) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code permits a tax bill to suffice as notice of the assessment, if the Board of Supervisors has adopted an ordinance to require that an application for reduction of an escape tax assessment be filed with the Supervisor Cohen BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Page 1 Administrator of the Assessment Appeals Board no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the tax bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later.

(d) Section 534(c)(3) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code provides that a tax bill based on an escaped assessment shall suffice as legal notice of appeal rights only if the tax bill includes the date the tax bill was mailed and advises the assessee/taxpayer of the right to appeal the assessment, and that the appeal shall be filed within 60 days of the date of mailing printed on the tax bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later.

Section 2. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Section 2B.23, to read as follows:

<u>SEC. 2B.23. TIME FOR FILING ASSESSMENT APPEAL AFTER RECEIPT OF ESCAPE</u> <u>ASSESSMENT TAX BILL.</u>

In accordance with Section 1605(c) and Section 534(c)(3) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, the City and County of San Francisco hereby requires that applications for reductions of escaped tax assessments under Section 1603(a) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code must be filed with the Administrator of the Assessment Appeals Board no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the escaped tax assessment bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later, and that the tax bill shall include information regarding the assessee's right to appeal the assessment.

Section 3. 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.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: MOE JAMIL Deputy City Attorney

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Notice and Filing Period for an Application for Reduction of an Escape Tax Assessment]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require that an application for reduction of an escape tax assessment be filed with the Administrator of the Assessment Appeals Board no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the tax bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later.

Existing Law

State law. The California Revenue and Taxation Code ("R & T Code") requires that an assessee be notified of an assessment made outside of the regular assessment period, an "escape assessment," before it is valid for any purpose, including review, equalization, and adjustment by the Assessment Appeals Board ("AAB"). The R & T Code permits a taxpayer to apply for a reduction in an assessment no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the notice of assessment or within 60 days of the date of the mailing printed on the tax bill if the taxpayer does not receive the notice of assessment. The R & T Code permits a tax bill to suffice as notice of the assessment, if the Board of Supervisors has adopted an ordinance to require that an application for reduction of an escaped tax assessment be filed with the Administrator of the AAB no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the tax bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later.

City Law. No provision of City law implements the provisions in the R & T Code detailed above governing notice of assessment for an escape assessment.

Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would add a provision to the Administrative Code to implement the provisions in the R & T Code detailed above governing notice of assessment for an escape assessment. The ordinance would require that applications for reductions of escape tax assessments be filed with the Administrator of the AAB no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the escape tax assessment bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later. The ordinance would also require that the tax bill include information regarding the right to appeal the assessment.

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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Carmen Chu, Assessor-Recorder Jose Cisneros, Treasurer Dawn Duran, Administrator, Assessment Appeals Board
- FROM: Alisa Somera, Clerk, Rules Committee Board of Supervisors
- DATE: May 27, 2015

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Cohen on May 19, 2015. This matter is being referred to you for informational purposes since it affects your department.

File No. 150527

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require that an application for reduction of an escape tax assessment be filed with the Administrator of the Assessment Appeals Board no later than 60 days after the date of mailing printed on the tax bill or the postmark therefor, whichever is later.

If you wish to submit any reports or documentation to be considered with the legislation, please send those to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at alisa.somera@sfgov.org.

c: Edward McCaffrey, Office of the Assessor-Recorder Amanda Kahn Fried, Office of the Treasurer & Tax Collector Alistair Gibson, Assessment Appeals Board

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Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

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I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

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3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.

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Planning Commission
Building Inspection Commission

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

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