City of Philadelphia

Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
Room 402, City Hall
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 200231)

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the City Council Committee on Finance to hold public hearings on the Department of Revenue's policies, practices and procedures for the collection of taxes, fines, fees and other charges the Department is responsible for collecting.

WHEREAS, The Department of Revenue is responsible for the collection of taxes, fines, fees and other amounts owed to the City; and

WHEREAS, The Department is empowered to enter into payment agreements for the collection of money owed to the City, including the power to waive certain amounts owed to the City; and

WHEREAS, The Department may not always inform taxpayers of all options regarding payment agreements, including the availability of payment plans based on their ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, The Department may not always inform taxpayers of their right to challenge erroneous tax assessments and other City claims at the Philadelphia Tax Review Board; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has oversight responsibility of the Department and must ensure Department staff are properly supervised, and that the City is not engaged in unfair collection practices; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA, That the Council Committee on Finance is authorized to hold public hearings on the Department of Revenue's policies, practices and procedures for the collection of taxes, fines, fees and other charges the Department is responsible for collecting.

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RESOLUTION NO. 200231 continued

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the fifth day of March, 2020.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

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CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Bass

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Jones, Squilla, Green, Johnson, Oh, Thomas, Henon and Gilmore Richardson

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