



# City of Philadelphia

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## **AN ORDINANCE**

Amending Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Business Privilege Taxes," to provide for an exclusion from the definition of "receipts" for receipts of certain artists, under certain terms and conditions.

*THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

### **CHAPTER 19-2600. BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAXES.**

§19-2601. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions provided in the Act of May 30, 1984, P.L. 345, No. 69, known as the First Class City Business Tax Reform Act, and Chapter 19-500 of this Title, the following definitions shall apply:

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Receipts. Cash, credits, property of any kind or nature, received from conducting any business or by reason of any sale made, including resales of goods, wares or merchandise taken by a dealer as a trade-in or as part payment for other goods, wares or merchandise or services rendered or commercial or business transactions, without deduction therefrom on account of the cost of property sold, materials used, labor, service or other cost, interest or discount paid or any other expense. For the purpose of determining receipts from the business of insurance, such receipts shall mean those from premiums received from risks within the city of the first class, whether by mutual or stock companies, domestic or foreign, without any deductions therefrom for any cost or expenses whatsoever; except, premiums shall not include return premiums, dividends paid or

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credited to policyholders, if such dividends are in the nature of an adjustment of the premiums charged, and premiums received for reinsurance. Receipts from a person engaged in the business of insurance shall also include receipts from rental real estate situated in cities of the first class, but shall not include interest, dividend and capital gain receipts. Nothing in this definition shall preclude the taxation of other nonpremium business receipts of persons engaged in the business of insurance. Receipts of any business shall exclude:

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*(12) For tax year 2007 and thereafter, receipts attributable to sole proprietorships engaged as artists, writers or performers, within the meaning of NAICS Code 711510 under the North American Industry Classification System, 2002 established by the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, provided that the net income of such sole proprietorship derived from the business of artist, writer or performer would qualify the proprietor for any special tax provisions under Section 304 of the Tax Reform Code of 1971 (Act of March 4, 1971, P.L. 6, No. 2), as added by the Act of March 13, 1974 (P.L. 179, No. 32), 72 P.S. §7304, and as amended from time to time.*

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