

SENATE BILL 28

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-1425, relative to a hotel-motel tax in any city having a population of not less than thirty-four thousand six hundred (34,600) nor more than thirty-four thousand seven hundred (34,700), located within any county having a population of not less than eighty thousand nine hundred (80,900) nor more than eighty-one thousand (81,000) according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-1425, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(k) This section shall not apply in any city having a population of not less than thirty-four thousand six hundred (34,600) nor more than thirty-four thousand seven hundred (34,700), according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census, that is located within any county having a population of not less than eighty thousand nine hundred (80,900) nor more than eighty-one thousand (81,000) according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census; provided, that the city is authorized, after notice and a public hearing, to levy a privilege tax by ordinance adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its governing body upon the privilege of occupancy in any hotel located within the city of each transient in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) of the consideration charged by the operator. The public shall have not less than thirty (30) days to comment on the levying of the tax after receiving notice from the city and before the public hearing. All proceeds received by the city from the tax shall be dedicated solely for the preservation of a historical building located

within the city for the purpose of attracting tourism. The ordinance shall set forth the manner of collection and administration of the privilege tax.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.