

TITLE 5

MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND TAXATION¹

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CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION

5-101. Official depository for city/town funds.

5-101. Official depository for city/town funds. The _____ Bank of _____, Tennessee, is hereby designated as the official depository for all city/town funds.*

***This section is necessary only if the charter prescribes it.**

¹State law reference

Depositories of municipal funds: § 6-4-402.

CHAPTER 2

REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

SECTION

5-201. When due and payable.

5-202. When delinquent--penalty and interest.

5-201. When due and payable.¹ Taxes levied by the city/town against real and personal property shall become due and payable annually on the first Monday of October of the year for which levied. **[Unless another due date is prescribed by the charter; where it is, enter that date].**

Taxes may be paid at the Office of the _____ County Trustee (or city/town clerk).

5-202. When delinquent--penalty and interest.² All real property taxes shall become delinquent on and after the first day of March next after they become due and payable and shall thereupon be subject to such penalty and interest as is authorized and prescribed by the state law for delinquent county

¹State law references

Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 67-1-701, 67-1-702 and 67-1-801, read together, permit a municipality to collect its own property taxes if its charter authorizes it to do so, or to turn over the collection of its property taxes to the county trustee. If a municipality collects its own property taxes, tax due and delinquency dates are as prescribed by the charter; if the county trustee collects them, the tax due date is the first Monday in October, and the delinquency date is the following March 1.

²Charter and state law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 67-5-2010(b) provides that if the county trustee collects the municipality's property taxes, a penalty of one half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) and interest of one and one-half percent (1 1/2%) shall be added on the first day of March, following the tax due date and on the first day of each succeeding month.

real property taxes.¹ **[Unless another delinquency date is prescribed by the charter; where it is, enter that date].**

¹Charter and state law references

A municipality has the option of collecting delinquent property taxes any one (1) of three (3) ways:

- (1) Under the provisions of its charter for the collection of delinquent property taxes.
- (2) Under *Tennessee Code Annotated*, §§ 6-55-201 to 6-55-206.
- (3) By the county trustee under *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 67-5-2005.

CHAPTER 3**PRIVILEGE TAXES****SECTION**

5-301. Tax levied.

5-302. License required.

5-301. Tax levied. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this code, there is hereby levied on all vocations, occupations, and businesses declared by the general laws of the state to be privileges taxable by municipalities, an annual privilege tax in the maximum amount allowed by state laws. The taxes provided for in the state's "Business Tax Act" (*Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 67-4-701, *et seq.*) are hereby expressly enacted, ordained, and levied on the businesses, business activities, vocations, and occupations carried on within the city/town at the rates and in the manner prescribed by the act.

5-302. License required. No person shall exercise any such privilege within the city/town without a currently effective privilege license, which shall be issued by the recorder to each applicant therefor upon the applicant's payment of the appropriate privilege tax.

CHAPTER 4

WHOLESALE BEER TAX

SECTION

5-401. To be collected.

5-401. To be collected. The recorder is hereby directed to take appropriate action to assure payment to the city/town of the wholesale beer tax levied by the "Wholesale Beer Tax Act," as set out in *Tennessee Code Annotated*, title 57, chapter 6.¹

¹State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 6 provides for a tax in accordance with § 57-6-103. Every wholesaler is required to remit to each municipality the amount of the net tax on beer wholesale sales to retailers and other persons within the corporate limits of the municipality.

Municipal code references

Alcohol and beer regulations: title 8.

Beer privilege tax: § 8-208.