

TITLE 5

MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND TAXATION¹

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CHAPTER 1

REAL PROPERTY TAXES

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- 5-101. When due and payable.
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5-101. When due and payable.² Taxes levied by the town against real property shall become due and payable annually on the first Monday of October of the year for which levied. (1984 Code, § 6-201)

5-102. When delinquent--penalty and interest.³ All real property taxes shall become delinquent on and after the first day of March next after they

¹Charter references

For specific charter provisions on depositories of municipal funds, see Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-4-402.

²State 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. Apparently, under those same provisions, 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.

³Charter 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 1/2 of 1% and interest of 1% shall be added on the first day of March, following the tax due date and on the first day of each succeeding month.

become due and payable and shall thereupon be subject to a 10% penalty and interest at the rate of 1% per month until paid.¹ (1984 Code, § 6-202)

5-103. Discount for early payment. Any person paying in full on or before thirty (30) days after the first Monday in October of each year the tax due on any property for the current year shall receive a two percent (2%) discount and any person paying in full the taxes after thirty (30) but on or before sixty (60) days after the first Monday in October of each year shall receive a one percent (1%) discount. (as added by Ord. #05-09-01, Oct. 2005)

¹Charter and state law references

A municipality has the option of collecting delinquent property taxes any one of three ways:

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

CHAPTER 2**PRIVILEGE TAXES****SECTION**

5-201. Tax levied.

5-201. Tax levied. 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 town at the rates and in the manner prescribed by the act. (Ord. #97-98-09, April 1998)