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**CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE ____
Council Bill 10-0473**

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)
Introduced and read first time: April 12, 2010
Assigned to: Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee

Committee Report: Favorable
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: June 7, 2010

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

Telecommunications Tax – Rate

FOR the purpose of modifying the rate of the telecommunications tax; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the imposition and collection of a telecommunications tax.

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 28 - Taxes
Section(s) 25-3
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

Baltimore City Code

Article 28. Taxes

Subtitle 25. Public Utilities Taxes

Part 1. Telecommunications Tax

§ 25-3. Rate of tax.

The rate of the tax imposed by this Part 1 is:

(1) [\$0.35] \$0.40 per month or part of a month for each Centrex local exchange access line or trunk line; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.
Underlined italics indicate matter added to the bill by amendment after printing for third reading.

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1 (2) [\$3.50] \$4.00 per month or part of a month for every other telecommunica-
2 tions line, whether a residence, business, PBX local exchange, or other wired
3 or wireless telecommunications line.

4 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
5 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
6 Ordinance.

7 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** *That the tax rates established in Section 1 of*
8 *this Ordinance, as applied to members of the Maryland Hospital Association and members of the*
9 *Maryland Independent College and University Association, may not be increased as long as the*
10 *Memorandum of Understanding between the City and these Associations is in effect and the*
11 *Associations are in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of*
12 *Understanding.*

13 **SECTION 3 4.** *AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,* *That the tax rates established in Section 1 of*
14 *this Ordinance, may not be increased for residential customers as long as the Memorandum of*
15 *Understanding referred to in Section 2 3 of this Ordinance is in effect and the Associations are*
16 *in compliance with its terms and conditions.*

17 **SECTION 3 4 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date
18 it is enacted for all telecommunication lines in service on or after July 1, 2010, and billed on or
19 after August 1, 2010.

Certified as duly passed this _____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,

this _____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City