

Subject St. Paul lodging tax increase

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Overview

Allows the city of St. Paul to increase the extra three percent local lodging tax that applies to places with 50 or more rooms from three percent to four percent. Ninety-five percent of revenues from this lodging tax must be used to fund the convention bureau and to promote tourism and the city convention center. The total lodging tax rate for larger hotels in the city would be seven percent in addition to all general state and local sales taxes.

The city also has a three percent lodging tax that applies to all transient housing in the city. Twenty-five percent of the revenue from that tax goes to pay for parking facilities and the remainder goes to the city general fund.

Effective upon the city's compliance with approval and filing requirements for special laws.