

DRAFT RESOLUTION No.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF DEWEY BEACH TO SUBMIT A PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT BILL TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF A TOWN OF DEWEY BEACH LODGING TAX.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Town of Dewey Beach have a continuing need to identify fair and predicable sources of revenue to fund ongoing services promoting health, safety and welfare within the Town of Dewey Beach; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Town of Dewey Beach have determined that a lodging tax imposed against any room or rooms in a hotel, motel or tourist home, as defined in Section 6101 of Title 30 of the Delaware Code, which is located within the boundaries of the Town of Dewey Beach_is justifiable given the impact their welcomed patrons represent on the Town's infrastructure, and the Town's efforts to promote health, safety and welfare in the community; and

WHEREAS, various other municipalities have undertaken efforts to establish a lodging tax with a similar amendment to their respective Charters; and

WHEREAS, upon due consideration, the Commissioners of the Town of Dewey Beach have determined it advisable to establish a lodging tax in accordance with the proposed provisions below set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF DEWEY BEACH that a proposed amendment to its Town Charter provisions relating to the establishment of a lodging tax as follows:

**"DELAWARE STATE HOUSE/SENATE
150TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
BILL NO. _____**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF DEWEY BEACH RELATING TO A LODGING TAX.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Two-thirds of all members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

Section 1. Amend Section 23(a) of the Charter of the Town of Dewey Beach by adding thereto a new paragraph to read as follows:

- '17. The Commissioners of Town of Dewey Beach are authorized to impose a lodging tax of no more than one percent (1%) of the rent, in addition to the amount imposed by the State, for any room or rooms in a hotel, motel or tourist home, as defined in §6101 of Title 30 of the Delaware Code, which is located within the boundaries of the Town of Dewey Beach.'

SYNOPSIS

This charter amendment bill permits the Town of Dewey Beach to impose and collect a lodging tax of no more than one percent (1%) on hotel and motel rooms located in the Town of Dewey Beach, so long as it is approved by ordinance by a majority of Commissioners pursuant to the provisions of the Charter of the Town of Dewey Beach."