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Postpered Indefinitely ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AO No. 2011-32

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 12.25.040 TO CLARIFY EACH YEAR'S "BASE AMOUNT" IN THE CALCULATION OF THE TAX INCREASE LIMITATION (TAX CAP).

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WHEREAS, Anchorage Municipal Charter subsection 14.03(a) provides "the total amount of municipal tax that can be levied during a fiscal year shall not exceed the total amount approved by the assembly for the preceding year";

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WHEREAS, "the total amount approved by the assembly" has not always equaled the amount to be collected, but has instead sometimes been the maximum allowed (at the tax cap) or an amount calculated prior to the application of a credit or a line item veto; and

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WHEREAS, the amount to be collected should be the base for the next year, after consideration of any applied credits or vetoes; now therefore,

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## THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

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Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 12.25.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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## 12.25.040 Computation of maximum attainable tax revenue amount.

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The estimate of maximum attainable tax revenue (next year revenue available) is computed for the next fiscal year according to the following procedures:

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Α. Define the tax increase escalation amount, (L):

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$$L = (T - d - e) \times (1 + C + P)$$
 where:

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L is the allowable tax increase due to population and inflation growth 1. factors.

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2. T is the total amount of:

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real property and personal property taxes to be collected for the <u>a.</u> prior fiscal year.

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municipal payments in-lieu of taxes paid or to be paid by any b. Municipality of Anchorage utility, department, agency, public corporation or authority[,] (MPILT),

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auto fees. and <u>C.</u>

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d. state and federal payments in lieu of taxes levied in the current fiscal year in current-year dollars.

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4	Section 2. Section 1 of this ordinance shall become effective immediately upor
5	passage and approval. The code change in section 1 does not apply in determining
6	the base for 2011, but shall be used to determine the base for fiscal year 2012.
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8	PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this day or
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14	Chair of the Assembly
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