

**ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE RESIDENTIAL LESSORS TO PROVIDE DATA REGARDING THEIR RENTAL RATES AS PART OF THEIR BUSINESS LICENSE REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL.**

**AN ORDINANCE BY MATTHEW CHARLES CARDINALE**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART II (ORDINANCES), CHAPTER 30 (BUSINESSES), ARTICLE III (OCCUPATION TAX), DIVISION 1 (GENERALLY), SECTION 30-70 (RESERVED); TO RENAME THE SECTION "FORM REQUIRED OF RESIDENTIAL LESSORS"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, all businesses deriving income from residential property in the City of Atlanta are required to have a business license and pay an occupation tax, according to Sec. 30-77 (Paying tax of business with no location in the state), section (b); and

**WHEREAS**, multi-family residential property owners derive most, if not all, of their income from the receipt of rental payments; and

**WHEREAS**, knowledge of the rental rates that are being charged by multi-family property owners in Atlanta will assist the City of Atlanta in determining that the appropriate business tax amounts are being assessed; and

**WHEREAS**, knowledge of the rental rates that are being charged by multi-family property owners in Atlanta will help the City of Clarkston support the health, safety, and welfare of its residents by carrying out its Housing Affordability Inventory as required by Sec. 54-6;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1:** That the Code of Ordinances, Ordinance, Chapter 30 (Businesses), Article III (Occupation Tax), Division 1 (Generally), ... Sec. 30-70 (Reserved), which currently is reserved, is renamed as ("Form Required of Residential Lessors"), and is amended to read as follows:

(a) All lessors of residential dwellings within the City of Atlanta shall complete a form provided by the Department of Revenue that shall require the aggregate rental rates for one hundred percent of all the dwellings from which they derive an income, based on the monthly rental price for the units at the time the form is completed.

(b) No business occupation tax certificate, as defined in this chapter, shall be issued to any rental housing property owner until the owner provides the City with a completed form as required by this section.

**SECTION 2:** Except as otherwise provided, the provisions of Section 1 are effective as of January 01, 2019.

**SECTION 3:** That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby waived to the extent of the conflict.