



Legislation Text

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Resolution to establish that the interest rate be eighteen percent (18%) per annum for Fiscal Year 2018 for non-payment of taxes on properties with an assessed value of over \$250,000, or over \$250,000 per residential unit for cooperative apartments.

By Council Member Ferreras-Copeland

Whereas, Pursuant to Section 11-224.1 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Banking Commission is required to recommend to the Council of the City of New York (Council), not later than the 13th day of May of each year, the proposed interest rate to be charged for non-payment of taxes on properties with an assessed value of over \$250,000, or over \$250,000 per residential unit for cooperative apartments; and

Whereas, The Banking Commission is required to propose a rate of at least six percent per annum greater than the prevailing interest rate charged for commercial loans extended to prime borrowers by commercial banks operating in the City (the “Prime Rate”); and

Whereas, The Banking Commission notes that as of May 11, 2017, the Prime Rate stands at four percent (4%), as published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and

Whereas, It is in the best interest of the City to encourage the prompt payment of taxes on real estate by all large taxpayers; and

Whereas, The Banking Commission forwarded its recommendation to the Council, by letter dated May 12, 2017, that the interest rate to be charged for non-payment of taxes on properties where the assessed value on a parcel is over \$250,000, or over \$250,000 per residential unit for cooperative apartments, be eighteen percent

(18%) per annum for Fiscal Year 2018; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York establishes that the interest rate be eighteen percent (18%) per annum for Fiscal Year 2018 for non-payment of taxes on properties with an assessed value of over 250,000, or over \$250,000 per residential unit for cooperative apartments.

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