TITLE 5
MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND TAXATION\(^1\)

CHAPTER
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CHAPTER 1
REAL PROPERTY TAXES

SECTION
5-101. Penalty on delinquent property taxes.

5-101. **Penalty on delinquent property taxes.**\(^2\) All delinquent municipal real property taxes shall have added thereto such penalty as is authorized and prescribed by the state law for delinquent county real property taxes.\(^3\) (1978 Code, § 6-201)

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\(^1\)Charter references
Assessment: § 22.
Delinquency penalties: § 25.
Due date: § 25

\(^2\)Charter and state law reference
Tennessee Code Annotated, § 67-5-2010(b) provides that if the county trustee collects the municipality’s property taxes, a penalty of 1/2 of 1% and interest of 1% shall be added on the first day of March, following the tax due date and on the first day of each succeeding month.

\(^3\)Charter and state law references
A municipality has the option of collecting delinquent property taxes any one of three ways:
(1) Under the provisions of its charter for the collection of delinquent property taxes.
(2) Under [Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-55-201--6-55-206](https://www.tn.gov/content/server/en/tcnatlaw/). Title 65, Chapter 55, Section 201 et seq.
(3) By the county trustee under [Tennessee Code Annotated, § 67-5-2005](https://www.tn.gov/content/server/en/tcnatlaw/).
CHAPTER 2

PRIVILEGE TAXES

SECTION
5-201. Tax levied.
5-202. License required.

5-201. **Tax levied.** Except as otherwise specifically provided in this code, there is hereby levied on all vocations, occupations, and businesses declared by the general laws of the state to be privileges taxable by municipalities, an annual privilege tax in the maximum amount allowed by state laws. The taxes provided for in the state's "Business Tax Act" (Tennessee Code Annotated, § 67-4-701, et seq.) are hereby expressly enacted, ordained, and levied on the businesses, business activities, vocations, and occupations carried on within the town at the rates and in the manner prescribed by the act. (1978 Code, § 6-301)

5-202. **License required.** No person shall exercise any such privilege within the town without a currently effective privilege license, which shall be issued by the recorder to each applicant therefor upon the applicant's compliance with all regulatory provisions in this code and payment of the appropriate privilege tax. (1978 Code, § 6-302)
CHAPTER 3

WHOLESALE BEER TAX

SECTION
5-301. To be collected.

5-301. To be collected. The recorder is hereby directed to take appropriate action to assure payment to the town of the wholesale beer tax levied by the "Wholesale Beer Tax Act," as set out in Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 6.¹ (1978 Code, § 6-401)

¹State law reference
Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 6 provides for a tax of 17% on the sale of beer at wholesale. Every wholesaler is required to remit to each municipality the amount of the net tax on beer wholesale sales to retailers and other persons within the corporate limits of the municipality.
CHAPTER 4

PURCHASING

SECTION 5-401. Limit on purchases without bidding.

5-401. **Limit on purchases without bidding.** The limit on purchases shall be raised from $2,500.00 to $4,000.00 that can be purchased without going through the bidding process. (Ord. #91-4, Oct. 1991)