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## DELAWARE STATE SENATE 150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## SENATE BILL NO. 210

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF LEWES RELATING TO THE POWER TO IMPOSE AND COLLECT 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):

1 Section 1. Amend the Charter of Lewes by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown 2 by underline as follows: 3 Section 29. Enumeration of Powers 4 Not by way of limitation upon the power vested in the City Council to exercise all powers delegated by this 5 Charter to the municipal corporation except as may expressly appear herein to the contrary, but, rather, by way of 6 enumeration and for purposes of clarity, the City Council is vested by this Charter with the following powers, to be 7 exercised by said City Council in the interest of good government and the safety, health and welfare of the City, its 8 inhabitants and affairs, that is to say, 9 45. To impose and collect a lodging tax of no more than 3% of the rent, in addition to the amount imposed by any 10 other governmental agency, for the occupancy of any room or rooms in a hotel, motel, or tourist home which is located 11 within the boundaries of the City of Lewes, under Chapter 61 of Title 30 of the Delaware Code. **SYNOPSIS** 

This Act amends the Charter of Lewes to give the City Council the authority to impose and collect a lodging tax. This Act requires a two-thirds majority because it revises a municipal charter.

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