

TO: The San Francisco Taxi Industry

FROM: Philip Cranna, Enforcement and Legal Affairs Manager, Taxi Services

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SUBJECT: Weights and Measures Ordinance

Please be advised that on September 20, 2021 the Rules Committee of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to send the Weights and Measures ordinance to the full Board with a <u>positive recommendation</u>. The ordinance was sponsored by Supervisor Peskin. Supervisor Chan and Supervisor Mandelman have joined as co-sponsors. This ordinance is the result of a collaboration between Supervisor Peskin, SF Department of Public Health (Weight and Measures division), the San Francisco Treasurer & Taxi Collector and SFMTA.

This ordinance amends the Administrative Code by

- Setting March 31 as the annual due date to pay registration fees for weighing and measuring devices and automated point of sale stations used for commercial purposes
- Retroactively eliminating fees billed by the Tax Collector on or after January 1, 2019, through fees otherwise due prior to March 31, 2025, **for each business with a taximeter device**
- Please check the ordinance, but I believe it also eliminates the 100% late penalty
- Refunding eliminated fees paid to the City, and any penalties paid on such fees
- Updating administrative fees to conform with the State of California's annual device administrative fee schedule.

In short, this ordinance impacts the Taxi industry by waiving Weights and Measures inspection fees from January 1, 2019 through March 31, 2025. Any Weights and Measures fees or penalties paid by the Taxi industry will be refunded.

<u>Before the ordinance has final approval, it must be sent to the full Board of Supervisors</u>. If the Board of Supervisors approves the ordinance, it will then be sent to the Mayor for her approval.

If you have any questions regarding the ordinance, including the **status** of the ordinance or the **proposed impacts** on the San Francisco Taxi Industry, please email <u>SFTaxi@sfmta.com</u>.