SENATE BILL 546

By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 17, relative to occupational privilege taxes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-1703, is amended by designating subsection (a) as subdivision (a)(1) and by adding the following new subdivision (a)(2):

(2)

- (A) A person who is licensed or registered to practice a profession upon which a privilege tax is imposed by this part is eligible to receive a seventy-five percent (75%) rebate of the annual tax paid if the person:
 - (i) During the year for which the tax is imposed, is or exceeds the minimum age established for receiving full-benefit social security; and
 - (ii) Receives no more than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) per year in annual income from the taxable occupation. On July 1, 2019, the maximum amount of income from the taxable occupation established by this subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii) shall be adjusted in accordance to reflect the percentage of change in the average consumer price index (all items city average) as published by the United States department of labor, bureau of labor statistics, between calendar year 2018 and calendar year 2019. Each succeeding July 1, a similar adjustment shall be made upon the percentage of change in the average consumer price index between

the two (2) calendar years preceding July 1 of the year in which the adjustment is made.

(B) If a person paying the privilege tax imposed by this part is also claiming the tax rebate provided by this subdivision (a)(2), the person shall submit the required proof of eligibility for the rebate to the commissioner at the same time as the tax is paid.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall be applicable to professional privilege taxes that are due in 2018 and each year thereafter.