

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2021

URGING the Ohio Senate to remove or otherwise defeat the amendment in the budget bill that retroactively mandates municipalities comply with refund requests from employees who did not work at their principal place of employment between March 9, 2020 and December 31, 2021.

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Ohio Senate adopted a provision to the two-year spending bill that temporarily froze the municipal income tax withholding procedures for non-resident workers until December 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2021, the Ohio Senate Finance Committee released its proposed changes to the \$75 billion state operating budget bill, adding language which would retroactively mandate municipalities to pay refund requests made by employees who, if not for the pandemic, would be working at their principal place of employment; and

WHEREAS, municipalities across the state are horrified and expressed their opposition to this approach as the legislation will have potentially devastating consequences to the ability of Ohio cities and villages to function; and

WHEREAS, the passage of this provision would have a devastating and immediate impact upon the City of Cincinnati budget; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council hereby call upon the Ohio Senate Finance Committee to remove this amendment in the temporary application of the municipal income tax withholding procedure as it will have devastating consequences to Ohio's cities and villages.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Goodin