

CHAPTER 2025-19

No. 267 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 “ADMINISTRATION,” AND CHAPTER 21 “REVENUE AND FINANCE”, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE”

Approved June 12, 2025

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

Section 1. Sections 73 and 74 of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence are hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2-73. Redemption of land sold for nonpayment of taxes.

*(a) General provisions.*

- a. The city treasurer is authorized upon payment to him of the sums provided for in Chapter 9 of Title 44 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, to execute for and in the name and behalf of the city a quitclaim deed which has the prior approval of the city solicitor, conveying to the party of interest entitled to redeem said property all the right title and interest of the city, provided that, with the exception of properties conveyed to Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation as permitted by Chapter 9 of Title 44 of the General Laws or as otherwise provided by law, the treasurer not convey right title and interest resultant of the payment of sums for more than ten (10) properties to any one person at any one time.

Sec. 2-74. Assignment of tax title.

*(b) General provisions.*

- a. The city treasurer is authorized upon payment to him of the sums provided for in Chapter 9 of Title 44 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island to assign tax title to any person and may execute and deliver on behalf of the town any instrument necessary therefor, provided that with the exception of properties conveyed to Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation as permitted by Chapter 9 of Title 44 of the General Laws or as otherwise provided by law, the treasurer not assign tax title resultant of the payment for more than ten (10) properties to any one person at any one time.

Chapter 21, Section 53 of Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 21-53. Regulation of assignments or sale of tax titles in bulk by the collector.

*(b) General provisions.*

- (1) The collector may offer, assign and transfer the tax titles, individually or in bulk, with other tax titles, either by public auction to the highest bidder or by direct sale, provided that with the exception of properties conveyed to Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation as permitted by Chapter 9 of Title 44 of the General Laws or as otherwise provided by law:

- a. that no more than ten (10) titles be transferred to any one purchaser registered at any one address at any one sale; and
- b. that the minimum sum paid for the assignment is not less than the total amount necessary for the redemption of each individual tax title assigned or at a rate which may be discounted to reflect uncollectable factors.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 15 2025  
FIRST READING  
READ AND PASSED

Tina L. Mastrosianni  
CLERK

IN CITY  
COUNCIL  
JUN 05 2025  
FINAL READING  
READ AND PASSED

Rachel M. Miller  
RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT  
Tina L. Mastrosianni  
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

Butt P. Smith  
Mayor

Date: 6/12/25