

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 111

Approved March 9, 1973

RESOLVED, THAT the City Solicitor be, and he hereby is authorized to appear before the 1973 Session of the General Assembly and urge passage of an Act to Establish a Tax on the Gross Receipts of Community Antenna Television System (CATV), substantially in accordance with the accompanying draft act.

## IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 1 - 1973

READ and PASSED

*Robert J. Dwyer*  
President  
*William A. Cressie*  
Clerk

APPROVED

*Joseph A. Dwyer*  
MAR 9 1973  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
CITY SOLICITOR TO APPEAR BEFORE  
THE 1973 SESSION OF THE GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY AND URGE PASSAGE OF  
AN ACT RELATIVE TO COMMUNITY  
ANTENNA TELEVISION SYSTEM (CATV)

THE COMMITTEE ON  
FINANCE  
Approves Report of  
The Finance Commission  
*James J. Lyons*  
FEB 21 1973

*James J. Lyons*  
CLERK  
FINANCE  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
FIRST READING  
FEB 15 1973

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COUNCIL

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*Councilman Scarnetta  
and Councilman Lynch, by request*

# State of Rhode Island, &c.

## IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 19 73

### AN ACT

TO ESTABLISH A TAX ON THE GROSS RECEIPTS OF COMMUNITY ANTENNA  
TELEVISION SYSTEM (CATV).

*It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:*

SECTION 1. Definition of Terms. "Community antenna television system" or "CATV" as used in this act shall mean and include the ownership or operation of a cable television system which receives video or audio signals, electrical impulses, or currents at a central antenna or electronic control center within this state and from which it distributes or transmits such signals, impulses or currents by a cable or wire system to electronic equipment at a customer's terminal point within this state; provided, however, that nothing contained in this act shall be construed to apply to a telephone, telegraph or electric public utility company.

SEC. 2. Imposition of Tax. There shall be levied and assessed a tax on the gross receipts of Community Antenna Television System (CATV) operators, companies, or corporations, which will be at the rate of three (3%) per cent. This tax shall only apply to the gross receipts of said operator, company or corporation that is derived from sales within the boundaries of the City of Providence.

SEC. 3. Records Required. Every Community Antenna Television System operator, company or corporation shall keep such books, including records, receipts and other pertinent papers that may be used to determine the amount of gross sales within said City of Providence as may be required by the City Collector of the City of Providence.

SEC. 4. Payment of Tax. Said tax shall be payable to the City Collector of the City of Providence within ten (10) days of the close of the fiscal year of said Community Antenna Television System (CATV) operator, company or corporation.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.