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**Type:**

Ordinance

**Title:**

Amendment of Municipal Code Sections 3-56-040 and 3-56-050 concerning wheel tax license

**Committee(s) Assignment:**

Committee on License and Consumer Protection

SUBSTITUTEORDINANCE**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 3-56-040 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language stricken through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**3-56-040 Issuance.**

(a) Upon payment by the applicant of the wheel tax license fee hereinafter provided, the city clerk shall issue, or cause to be issued, a wheel tax license. The annual period for a wheel tax license shall begin on the required purchase date and shall end on the last day of the same month in the following year, as indicated on the face of such license, ~~;~~ provided ~~Provided~~, however, that if a wheel tax license is issued before the required purchase date, such license shall be valid upon its issuance. Provided further, that in the case of renewal of a valid and current wheel tax license only, the following requirements shall apply:

(1) Prior to July 1, 2016, the annual period for renewing a valid and current wheel tax license shall include a 15-day grace period, during which the applicant may purchase a wheel tax license without incurring any (1) late fees under section 3-56-050, or (2) penalties under section 3-56-150 for failure to obtain the wheel tax license by the required purchase date.

(2) On and after July 1, 2016, the annual period for renewing a valid and current wheel tax license shall include a 30-day grace period, during which the applicant may purchase a wheel tax license without incurring any late fees under section 3-56-050. Provided, however, that nothing in the paragraph (a)(2) shall be construed to authorize the waiver of penalties under section 3-56-150 for failure to obtain the wheel tax license by the required purchase date.

(3) Any grace period provided for under this section shall commence at 12:01 a.m. on the day after the required purchase date and shall end at midnight on the fifteenth day after the required purchase date.

(b) During the transition period preceding full implementation of the staggered system authorized under Section 3-56-015 for issuing wheel tax licenses, and thereafter, as provided for in duly promulgated rules and regulations, the city clerk is authorized to issue wheel tax licenses for more or less than an annual period. In such case, the fee for such license shall be prorated in accordance with Section ~~3-56-050(e)~~ 3-56-050(c).

(c) During a period of heavy volume of applications for a wheel tax license, or when necessary ~~or appropriate~~ to promote the efficient and orderly administration of this chapter, the city clerk, in consultation with the city comptroller, shall have authority to (1) extend the required purchase date for an additional amount of time, not to exceed ~~30 (thirty)~~ 15 (fifteen) days, for all persons required during such period to buy a wheel tax license emblem or combined wheel tax license/residential permit parking emblem; and (2) waive any late fees otherwise applicable to such persons during such period. If the city clerk exercises such authority, the city

clerk shall post notice of such fact on the city clerk's website.

**SECTION 2.** Section 3-56-050 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**3-56-050 Fees – Late fees.**

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(3) No late fee shall be imposed under this subsection (b) if (i) the applicant obtains a wheel tax license within 30 days of commencing residence in the city, as required under Section 3-56-021(a); or (ii) the applicant obtains a wheel tax license within 30 days of purchasing or otherwise acquiring ownership of a vehicle, as required under Section 3-56-021(a); or (iii) in the case of a renewal of a wheel tax license, the applicant obtains a current wheel tax license within the grace period provided for under Section 3-56-040(a)(1) or (a)(2), as applicable.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take full force and effect upon its passage and publication.

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Susana A. Mendoza, City Clerk

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