

# Kentucky is Leaving Uncollected Tax Dollars on the Table!

## Short Term Rental Legislation Will Bring Needed Funds to Local Coffers

**THE ISSUE:** When visitors stay at Kentucky hotels or short-term rental locations, the host is required to collect statewide and local transient room taxes. These taxes help market the Commonwealth as a tourist destination, fund local convention bureaus, and provide a major economic return to local communities.

**THE PROBLEM:** When visitors stay at short-term rental locations, such as a private home listed via an online platform, the local hosts often fail to pay the transient room taxes to the taxing authorities, causing a major revenue loss.

**THE SOLUTION:** House Bill (HB) 383 will ease the burden for homeowners and small businesses by relinquishing tax collection and remission duties of hosts and transferring it to online short-term booking services who are better equipped to properly collect and remit these taxes.

### **MORE REVENUE WITHOUT NEW TAXES**

**THIS IS NOT A NEW TAX** HB 383 simply shifts the requirement of who collects and remits the existing tax from Kentucky small businesses to large corporations, creating a more efficient and effective transient room tax process for short-term rentals.

### **FAIR FOR ALL**

Kentucky's largest cities and the Department of Revenue have already or are currently negotiating with the largest online booking companies to collect and remit these taxes. Help smaller communities who do not have the clout to negotiate with large corporations to receive the tax revenue they are due.

This legislation will create financial parity between local hotels, motels, and bed and breakfasts who already collect and remit the transient room taxes and their short-term rental competition.

**LOCAL PROPERTY OWNERS WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO COLLECT THE TAX**

### **OTHER STATES MODEL THE WAY**

Online booking services already cooperate in other states to collect and remit these taxes. If they can do so elsewhere, why not require the same in Kentucky?

**Please Support HB 383**  
**More Revenue. No New Taxes. Less Burden on KY Businesses.**