AN ACT to prohibit the assessment of fees for real property taxes owed on real property owned by small businesses and small landlords during the COVID-19 state disaster emergency

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no taxing jurisdiction shall assess a fee, including interest or penalties, for real property taxes owed on property owned by a small business or small landlord during the period commencing with the declaration of the state disaster emergency declared pursuant to Executive Order No. 202 of 2020 through 90 days following the end of such state disaster emergency. For the purposes of this act: (a) "small business" means a business in this state with twenty or fewer full-time employees and which has a gross annual income of three million dollars or less; and (b) "small landlord" means a non-residential not-for-profit or commercial landlord owning and operating ten or fewer units.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [–] is old law to be omitted.