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Kenney administration slashes beverage tax collection projections

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Dave McCorkle, President and CEO of the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association, has issued the following statement in response to news that the Kenney administration is preparing to slash its beverage revenue tax collection projections:

“Today’s news show once again that this tax is not a sustainable source of revenue for the city. Reality is finally catching up with the mayor’s inflated projections. The city has yet to achieve its full collections target and is once again moving the goalposts. This latest move by the administration highlights the undeniable flaws in a failed tax that is costing jobs, raising prices for working families and hurting local business. Mayor Kenney and City Council should join the more than 60 percent of Philadelphia voters who oppose the beverage tax – as well as the voters in Santa Fe who recently rejected similar levies. It’s time to bring the harm this tax has caused to an end.”

The Ax the Bev Tax Coalition is a partnership between Philadelphia families and businesses negatively impacted by the city’s new regressive beverage tax. For more information visit www.axthebevtax.com.

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