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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

Pa. Supreme Court to hear soda tax case

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In an article posted by *Phill.com*© the Pennsylvania Supreme Court said that it will consider the legality of *Philadelphia's tax on soda* and other sweetened beverages, giving fresh hope to opponents of the controversial levy.

The court said it would hear the American Beverage Association and other local businesses' appeal of a Commonwealth Court decision last year to uphold the controversial tax. The rest of the country will be watching the outcome. Philadelphia became the first major U.S. city to pass a tax on soda in 2016, and a

number of other cities have since considered or implemented similar taxes.

Danny Grace, secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Local 830, which represents beverage bottlers and drivers, praised the Supreme Court for considering the appeal.

"It provides our suffering membership and our city's struggling beverage companies, supermarkets, convenience stores and restaurants a sense of hope that this destructive, discriminatory tax may yet get overturned," Grace said in a statement.

To view and read entire article go to: http://www.philly.com/philly/news/pennsylvania/soda-tax-supreme-court-philadelphia-appeal-20180130.html



