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Restaurant tax ruling appealed

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The Omaha Restaurant Association, Anthony's Steakhouse and La Casa Pizzeria announced Thursday they are appealing a judge's ruling that said the city's restaurant tax can be legally imposed.

The group's attorney, Woody Bradford, told a press conference that he filed the appeal with the state Court of Appeals.

Bradford argues that the 2.5 percent dining tax, which took effect Oct. 1, is really an illegal sales tax.

"This tax violates the core of the (state's) tax policy," Bradford said.

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