## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 485

Session of 1981

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## AN ACT

- 1 Providing real property tax exemptions to senior citizens 65
- 2 years of age or older; and establishing procedures for making
- 3 claims.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Persons age 65 or over are exempted from taxes on
- 7 real property.
- 8 Section 2. (a) A claim for property tax exemption shall be
- 9 filed with the local taxing authority within 120 days succeeding
- 10 the end of the calendar year in which real property taxes were
- 11 due and payable.
- 12 (b) Each claim shall include proof that the claimant or his
- 13 spouse was age 65 or over during the fiscal or calendar year in
- 14 which real property taxes were due and payable. The claimant
- 15 shall include reasonable proof of ownership of the real
- 16 property.
- 17 (c) The local taxing authority shall prescribe necessary
- 18 rules and regulations and shall make available suitable forms

- 1 for filing a claim.
- 2 Section 3. The Commonwealth shall provide for the
- 3 reimbursement of local taxing authorities by or through the
- 4 Commonwealth for revenue losses occasioned by such exemption.
- 5 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.