THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2103 Session of 1995

INTRODUCED BY McGILL, FICHTER, BARD, TRELLO, GODSHALL AND
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 18, 1995

AN ACT

- Amending the act of June 26, 1931 (P.L.1379, No.348), entitled, as amended, "An act creating in counties of the second A and third class a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; 3 providing for the appointment of the members of such board by the county commissioners; providing for their salaries, payable by the county; abolishing existing boards; defining 7 the powers and duties of such board; regulating the 8 assessment of persons, property, and occupations for county, 9 borough, town, township, school, and poor purposes; authorizing the appointment of subordinate assessors, a 10 solicitor, engineers, and clerks; providing for their 11 compensation, payable by such counties; abolishing the office 12 13 of ward, borough, and township assessors, so far as the 14 making of assessments and valuations for taxation is concerned; and providing for the acceptance of this act by 15 cities, " further providing for assessment appeals. 16 17 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 18 19 Section 1. Section 8(c) of the act of June 26, 1931 (P.L.1379, No.348), referred to as the Third Class County 20 Assessment Board Law, amended July 19, 1991 (P.L.91, No.21), is 21 22 amended to read: Section 8. 23
- (c) Any person aggrieved by any assessment, whether or not

- 1 the value thereof shall have been changed since the preceding
- 2 annual assessment, or any taxing district having an interest
- 3 therein, may appeal to the board for relief. Any person or such
- 4 taxing district desiring to make an appeal shall, on or before
- 5 the first day of September, file with the board an appeal, in
- 6 writing, setting forth:
- 7 (1) The assessment or assessments by which such person feels
- 8 aggrieved;
- 9 (2) The address to which the board shall mail notice of the
- 10 time and place of hearing.
- 11 For the purpose of assessment appeals under this act, in
- 12 counties of the third class, the term "person" shall include, in
- 13 addition to that provided by law, a group of two or more persons
- 14 acting on behalf of a class of persons similarly situated with
- 15 regard to the assessment. For the purpose of assessment appeal
- 16 under this act, in counties of the second class A, the rules and
- 17 regulations adopted by the board, pursuant to section 5 of this
- 18 act, may provide that the term "person" shall include, in
- 19 addition to that provided by law, a group of two or more persons
- 20 <u>acting on behalf of a class of persons similarly situated with</u>
- 21 regard to the assessment, and the rules and regulations may
- 22 <u>establish additional criteria for a group of two or more persons</u>
- 23 to act on behalf of a class, including, but not limited to,
- 24 specifying a date or time by which any person desiring to be a
- 25 member of a class must file a written election with the board.
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- 27 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.