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AN ACT

Amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), 2 entitled "An act empowering cities of the second class, 3 cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of the second class, school districts of the second class, 5 6 school districts of the third class and school districts of 7 the fourth class including independent school districts, to 8 levy, assess, collect or to provide for the levying, assessment and collection of certain taxes subject to maximum 9 10 limitations for general revenue purposes; authorizing the 11 establishment of bureaus and the appointment and compensation 12 of officers, agencies and employes to assess and collect such taxes; providing for joint collection of certain taxes, 13 prescribing certain definitions and other provisions for 14 15 taxes levied and assessed upon earned income, providing for annual audits and for collection of delinquent taxes, and 16 17 permitting and requiring penalties to be imposed and 18 enforced, including penalties for disclosure of confidential information, providing an appeal from the ordinance or 19 20 resolution levying such taxes to the court of quarter 21 sessions and to the Supreme Court and Superior Court," further providing for collection of taxes, for audits of 22 23 earned income taxes, for earned income taxes, for suits for tax collection, for penalties and for delinquent tax 24 25 collection costs. FURTHER PROVIDING FOR RECAPTURE OF TAX, FOR 26 REGISTER FOR EARNED INCOME AND OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAXES, FOR COLLECTION OF TAXES, FOR AUDITS OF EARNED INCOME TAXES 27 AND FOR EARNED INCOME TAXES; PROVIDING CONSOLIDATED 28

- 1 COLLECTION OF LOCAL INCOME TAXES; FURTHER PROVIDING FOR
- 2 COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES, FOR PENALTIES AND FOR COSTS
- 3 OF DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION; MAKING EDITORIAL CHANGES; AND
- 4 MAKING REPEALS.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Section 10 of the act of December 31, 1965
- 8 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, amended

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- 9 November 30, 2004 (P.L.1520, No.192) and December 1, 2004
- 10 (P.L.1729, No.222), is amended to read:
- 11 Section 10. Collection of Taxes. (a) Administrative
- 12 Personnel; Joint Agreements. Except as provided in subsections
- 13 (b) and (c), [any such] a political subdivision is hereby
- 14 authorized to provide by ordinance or resolution for the
- 15 creation of bureaus or the designation [of such bureaus or the],
- 16 appointment and compensation of [such] officers, [clerks,
- 17 collectors, | public employes, private agencies or other [person
- 18 and other assistants] persons, and their employes[, either under
- 19 existing departments, or otherwise] as [may be deemed]
- 20 necessary, for the assessment and collection of taxes imposed
- 21 under authority of this act. Each ordinance or resolution under
- 22 this section authorizing a person, public employe or private
- 23 agency to act [in the capacity and with the authority of] as a
- 24 tax collector for the political subdivision shall continue in
- 25 force without annual reauthorization unless otherwise repealed
- 26 or revoked by the political subdivision. A political subdivision
- 27 must enter into a written contract with an officer, private
- 28 agency or other person, appointed or designated to collect the
- 29 <u>earned income tax.</u>
- 30 Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), any political
- 31 subdivisions imposing taxes under authority of this act are

- 1 authorized to make joint agreements for the collection of such
- 2 taxes or any of them. The same person or agency may be employed
- 3 by two or more political subdivisions to collect any taxes
- 4 imposed by them under authority of this act.
- 5 (b) Single Collector for Earned Income Taxes [When Certain
- 6 School Districts Impose Such Taxes] Imposed by a School
- 7 <u>District</u>. Except as provided in subsection (c), whenever a
- 8 school district of the second, third or fourth class shall be
- 9 established pursuant to section 296[,] of the act of March 10,
- 10 1949 (P.L.30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," added
- 11 August 8, 1963 (P.L. 564), and [such school district shall levy,
- 12 assess and collect or provide for the levying, assessment and
- 13 collection of] the school district levies a tax upon earned
- 14 income, such school district and all cities, boroughs, towns and
- 15 townships within its geographical limits which levy, assess and
- 16 collect [or provide for the levying, assessment and collection
- 17 of] a tax upon earned income[, may on January 1, 1967, or] shall
- 18 as soon [thereafter] as the school district [shall provide for
- 19 the levying, assessment and collection of taxes upon earned
- 20 income, select one person or agency] has levied, assessed or
- 21 <u>collected an earned income tax, designate or appoint an officer,</u>
- 22 <u>public employe or private agency to collect the taxes upon</u>
- 23 earned income imposed by all [such] political subdivisions
- 24 <u>within the geographic limits of the school district</u>. In
- 25 [selecting such person] order to designate or appoint the
- 26 <u>officer, public employe or private agency, each political</u>
- 27 subdivision shall share in the [selection] designation or
- 28 appointment upon a basis agreed upon by each political
- 29 subdivision, [or in] including the school district. In the
- 30 absence of any agreement [on the basis of voting] at least

- 1 ninety days prior to the end of the appointment or the
- 2 <u>expiration of a contract for earned income tax collection of all</u>
- 3 political subdivisions within the school district and including
- 4 the school district, the board of school directors shall convene
- 5 <u>a meeting with at least ten days' notice by first class mail.</u>
- 6 The meeting shall be convened no less than sixty days prior to
- 7 the end of the appointment or the expiration of a contract for
- 8 <u>earned income tax collection of all political subdivisions.</u>
- 9 <u>Voting shall be conducted</u> according to the proportion that the
- 10 population of each bears to the entire population of the
- 11 combined collection district, according to the latest official
- 12 Federal census, and the majority of such votes cast shall
- 13 determine the [person or agency selected] bureau, officer,
- 14 public employe or private agency designated to collect the
- 15 [taxes] earned income tax. The provisions of this paragraph
- 16 shall not prohibit school districts and other political
- 17 subdivisions which levy, assess and collect [or provide for the
- 18 levying, assessment and collection of laxes upon earned income,
- 19 under authority of this act, from [selecting] designating or
- 20 <u>appointing</u> the same [person] <u>officer</u>, <u>public employe</u> or <u>private</u>
- 21 agency to collect such tax upon earned income in an area larger
- 22 than the geographical limits of a school district established
- 23 pursuant to section 296 of the "Public School Code of 1949."
- 24 (c) Single Tax Collector in Certain Home Rule
- 25 Municipality. In a municipality having a population under the
- 26 2000 Federal decennial census of at least forty thousand and
- 27 less than ninety thousand located in a second class county which
- 28 municipality has adopted a home rule charter under 53 Pa.C.S.
- 29 Pt. III Subpt. E (relating to home rule and optional plan
- 30 government), the person or persons appointed by the board of

- 1 school directors for the school district in which the
- 2 municipality is located as collector or collectors of taxes
- 3 levied by the school district under this act shall also serve as
- 4 the collector or collectors of taxes levied by the municipality
- 5 under this act.
- 6 (d) Records. All tax collection records shall be a property
- 7 of the political subdivision in which the taxes were collected.
- 8 The political subdivision or its tax collector shall retain all
- 9 records for at least seven years. Unclaimed tax records shall be
- 10 retained for fifteen years. This subsection does not preclude a
- 11 <u>tax collector from retaining copies of tax collection records.</u>
- 12 Section 2. Section 11 of the act is amended to read:
- 13 Section 11. Audits of Earned Income Taxes. Except in cities
- 14 of the second class, [the governing body of] each political
- 15 subdivision which levies, assesses and collects [or provides for
- 16 the levying, assessment and collection of] a tax upon earned
- 17 income, shall provide for not less than one examination each
- 18 year of the books, accounts, financial statements, compliance
- 19 reports and records of the income tax collector, by a certified
- 20 public accountant, a firm of certified public accountants, a
- 21 competent independent public accountant, or a firm of
- 22 independent public accountants appointed by the [governing body]
- 23 <u>political subdivision</u>. Whenever one person or agency is selected
- 24 to collect earned income taxes for more than one political
- 25 subdivision, the books, accounts and records of such person or
- 26 agency shall be examined as provided above in the case of a tax
- 27 collector for each political subdivision, except that the
- 28 accountant shall be selected in the manner provided for
- 29 selection of one person or agency to collect earned income taxes
- 30 for the school district established under section 296 of the

- 1 "Public School Code of 1949," and the cities, boroughs, towns
- 2 and townships within the geographical limits of such school
- 3 district. The examination shall be conducted according to
- 4 generally accepted governmental auditing standards and shall
- 5 include a financial statement, a report on the income tax
- 6 officer's compliance with this act, a list of any findings of
- 7 noncompliance with this act and a copy of a management letter if
- 8 <u>one is issued by the auditor.</u> The reports of the audit shall be
- 9 sent to the governing body [or bodies] of the political
- 10 subdivision [or political subdivisions] employing the
- 11 accountant. If there are findings of noncompliance, a copy of
- 12 the report shall be filed with the Office of Attorney General
- 13 and the Department of Community and Economic Development. No
- 14 further or additional audit shall be performed by elected or
- 15 appointed auditors.
- 16 Section 3. Division I, Subdivision A of Division III,
- 17 Division IV and Division V of section 13 of the act, amended
- 18 October 4, 1978 (P.L.930, No.177), December 9, 2002 (P.L.1364,
- 19 No.166), April 5, 2004 (P.L.208, No.24), and November 30, 2004
- 20 (P.L.1520, No.192), are amended and the section is amended by
- 21 adding a division to read:
- 22 Section 13. Earned Income Taxes. On and after the effective
- 23 date of this act the remaining provisions of this section shall
- 24 be included in or construed to be a part of each tax levied and
- 25 assessed upon earned income by [any] a political subdivision
- 26 [levying and assessing such tax pursuant to this act]. The
- 27 definitions contained in this section shall be exclusive for any
- 28 tax upon earned income and net profits levied and assessed
- 29 pursuant to this act, and shall not be altered or changed by
- 30 [any] a political subdivision [levying and assessing such tax].

- I. Definitions
- 2 "Association." A partnership, limited partnership, or any
- 3 other unincorporated group of two or more persons.
- 4 "Business." An enterprise, activity, profession or any other
- 5 undertaking of an unincorporated nature conducted for profit or
- 6 ordinarily conducted for profit whether by a person,
- 7 partnership, association, or any other entity.
- 8 "Corporation." A corporation [or], joint stock association or
- 9 <u>limited liability company</u> organized under the laws of the United
- 10 States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any other state,
- 11 territory, foreign country or dependency.
- 12 "Current year." The calendar year for which the tax is
- 13 levied.

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- 14 "Department." The Department of Community and Economic
- 15 Development of the Commonwealth.
- 16 "Domicile." The place where one lives and has his permanent
- 17 home and to which he has the intention of returning whenever he
- 18 is absent. Actual residence is not necessarily domicile, for
- 19 domicile is the fixed place of abode which, in the intention of
- 20 the taxpayer, is permanent rather than transitory. Domicile is
- 21 the voluntarily fixed place of habitation of a person, not for a
- 22 mere special or limited purpose, but with the present intention
- 23 of making a permanent home, until some event occurs to induce
- 24 him to adopt some other permanent home. In the case of
- 25 businesses, or associations, the domicile is that place
- 26 considered as the center of business affairs and the place where
- 27 its functions are discharged.
- 28 "Earned income." Compensation as determined under section 303
- 29 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the "Tax
- 30 Reform Code of 1971, " and regulations in 61 Pa. Code Pt. I

- 1 Subpt. B Art. V (relating to personal income tax), not
- 2 including, however, wages or compensation paid to individuals on
- 3 active military service. Employe business expenses are allowable
- 4 deductions as determined under Article III of the "Tax Reform
- 5 Code of 1971." The amount of any housing allowance provided to a
- 6 member of the clergy shall not be taxable as earned income. In
- 7 <u>determining earned income</u>, the taxpayer may not offset business
- 8 losses.
- 9 "Income tax officer or officer." [Person] A bureau, person,
- 10 public employe or private agency designated by [governing body]
- 11 <u>a political subdivision</u> to collect and administer the tax on
- 12 earned income and net profits authorized under this act.
- 13 "Employer." A person, partnership, association, business,
- 14 corporation, <u>limited liability company</u>, institution,
- 15 governmental body or unit or agency, or any other entity
- 16 employing one or more persons for a salary, wage, commission or
- 17 other compensation.
- 18 "Net profits." The net income from the operation of a
- 19 business, profession, or other activity, except corporations,
- 20 determined under section 303 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6,
- 21 No.2), known as the "Tax Reform Code of 1971," and regulations
- 22 in 61 Pa. Code Pt. I Subpt. B Art. V (relating to personal
- 23 income tax). In determining net profits, the taxpayer may offset
- 24 <u>business losses from one business, profession or activity</u>
- 25 against profits from another business, profession or activity.
- 26 The term does not include income which is not paid for services
- 27 provided and which is in the nature of earnings from an
- 28 investment. For taxpayers engaged in the business, profession or
- 29 activity of farming, the term shall not include:
- 30 (1) any interest earnings generated from any monetary

- 1 accounts or investment instruments of the farming business;
- 2 (2) any gain on the sale of farm machinery;
- 3 (3) any gain on the sale of livestock held twelve months or
- 4 more for draft, breeding or dairy purposes; and
- 5 (4) any gain on the sale of other capital assets of the
- 6 farm.
- 7 "Nonresident." A person, partnership, association, business,
- 8 corporation, limited liability company or any other entity
- 9 domiciled outside the taxing district.
- 10 "Person or individual." A natural person.
- 11 <u>"Political subdivision." A city of the second class, city of</u>
- 12 the second class A, city of the third class, borough, town,
- 13 township of the first class, township of the second class,
- 14 school district of the second class, school district of the
- 15 third class or school district of the fourth class.
- 16 "Preceding year." The calendar year before the current year.
- 17 "Private agency." Any person, partnership, association,
- 18 business corporation or limited liability company, engaged in
- 19 the business of collecting or administering a tax under this
- 20 act.
- 21 "Resident." A person, partnership, association or <u>any</u> other
- 22 entity domiciled in the taxing district.
- 23 "Succeeding year." The calendar year following the current
- 24 year.
- 25 "Taxpayer." A person, partnership, association[,] or any
- 26 other entity, required hereunder to file a return of earned
- 27 income or net profits, or to pay a tax thereon.
- 28 <u>"Tax records." Tax returns, supporting schedules,</u>
- 29 correspondence with auditors or taxpayers, account books and
- 30 other documents obtained or created by the officer to implement

- 1 the collection of a tax under this act. The officer may submit
- 2 <u>computerized summaries of tax returns and other documents in</u>
- 3 <u>lieu of the actual documents.</u>
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- 5 III. Declaration and Payment of Tax
- 6 A. Net Profits.
- 7 (1) Every taxpayer making net profits shall, as the
- 8 [governing body] political subdivision elects, (i) pay to the
- 9 officer an annual payment of tax due on or before April 15[,] of
- 10 the succeeding year for the period beginning January 1[,] and
- 11 ending December 31[,] of the current year, or (ii) on or before
- 12 April 15[,] of the current year, make and file with the officer
- 13 on a form prescribed [or approved by the officer] by the
- 14 <u>department</u>, a declaration of his estimated net profits during
- 15 the period beginning January 1[,] and ending December 31[,] of
- 16 the current year, and pay to the officer in four equal quarterly
- 17 installments the tax due thereon as follows: the first
- 18 installment at the time of filing the declaration, and the other
- 19 installments on or before June 15[,] of the current year,
- 20 September 15[,] of the current year, and January 15[,] of the
- 21 succeeding year, respectively.
- 22 (2) Where the [governing body] political subdivision elects
- 23 to require the filing of a declaration and quarterly payments,
- 24 any taxpayer who first anticipates any net profit after April
- 25 15[,] of the current year, shall make and file the declaration
- 26 hereinabove required on or before June 15[,] of the current
- 27 year, September 15[,] of the current year, or December 31[,] of
- 28 the current year, whichever of these dates next follows the date
- 29 on which the taxpayer first anticipates such net profit, and pay
- 30 to the officer in equal installments the tax due thereon on or

- 1 before the quarterly payment dates which remain after the filing
- 2 of the declaration.
- 3 (3) Where the [governing body] political subdivision
- 4 requires a declaration of estimated net profits and quarterly
- 5 payments of tax due on such profits, every taxpayer shall, on or
- 6 before April 15[,] of the succeeding year, make and file with
- 7 the officer on a form prescribed or approved by the officer a
- 8 final return showing the amount of net profits earned during the
- 9 period beginning January 1[,] of the current year, and ending
- 10 December 31[,] of the current year, the total amount of tax due
- 11 thereon and the total amount of tax paid thereon. At the time of
- 12 filing the final return, the taxpayer shall pay to the officer
- 13 the balance of tax due or shall make demand for refund or credit
- 14 in the case of overpayment.
- 15 Any taxpayer may, in lieu of paying the fourth quarterly
- 16 installment of his estimated tax, elect to make and file with
- 17 the officer on or before January 31, of the succeeding year, the
- 18 final return as hereinabove required.
- 19 (4) [The officer may be authorized to provide by regulation
- 20 for the making and filing of] The department may adopt a
- 21 regulation authorizing the officer to make and file adjusted
- 22 declarations of estimated net profits, and for the payments of
- 23 the estimated tax in cases where a taxpayer who has filed [the
- 24 declaration hereinabove required] under paragraphs (1), (2) or
- 25 (3) anticipates additional net profits not previously declared
- 26 or finds that he has overestimated his anticipated net profits.
- 27 (5) Every taxpayer who discontinues business prior to
- 28 December 31[,] of the current year[,] shall, within thirty days
- 29 after the discontinuance of business, file his final return as
- 30 [hereinabove] required under this division and pay the tax due.

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3 (a) Every employer having an office, factory, workshop,

4 branch, warehouse, or other place of business within the taxing

5 jurisdiction imposing a tax on earned income or net profits

6 within the taxing district who employs one or more persons,

7 other than domestic servants, for a salary, wage, commission or

8 other compensation, who has not previously registered, shall,

9 within fifteen days after becoming an employer, register with

10 the officer his name and address and such other information as

11 the officer may require.

12 (b) Every employer having an office, factory, workshop,

13 branch, warehouse, or other place of business within the taxing

jurisdiction imposing a tax on earned income or net profits

15 within the taxing district who employs one or more persons,

16 other than domestic servants, for a salary, wage, commission, or

other compensation, shall deduct at the time of payment thereof,

18 the tax imposed by ordinance or resolution on the earned income

19 due to his employe or employes, and shall, on or before April

20 30, of the current year, July 31, of the current year, October

21 31, of the current year, and January 31, of the succeeding year,

22 file a return and pay to the officer the amount of taxes

23 deducted during the preceding three month periods ending March

24 31, of the current year, June 30, of the current year, September

25 30, of the current year, and December 31, of the current year,

26 respectively. Such return unless otherwise agreed upon between

27 the officer and employer shall show the name and social security

28 number of each such employe, the earned income of such employe

29 during such preceding three month period, the tax deducted

30 therefrom, the political subdivisions imposing the tax upon such

- 1 employe, the total earned income of all such employes during
- 2 such preceding three month period, and the total tax deducted
- 3 therefrom and paid with the return.
- 4 Any employer who for two of the preceding four quarterly
- 5 periods has failed to deduct the proper tax, or any part
- 6 thereof, or has failed to pay over the proper amount of tax to
- 7 the taxing authority, may be required by the officer to file his
- 8 return and pay the tax monthly. In such cases, payments of tax
- 9 shall be made to the officer on or before the last day of the
- 10 month succeeding the month for which the tax was withheld.
- 11 (c) On or before February 28, of the succeeding year, every
- 12 employer shall file with the officer:
- 13 (1) An annual return showing the total amount of earned
- 14 income paid, the total amount of tax deducted, and the total
- 15 amount of tax paid to the officer for the period beginning
- 16 January 1, of the current year, and ending December 31, of the
- 17 current year.
- 18 (2) A return withholding statement for each employee employed
- 19 during all or any part of the period beginning January 1, of the
- 20 current year, and ending December 31, of the current year,
- 21 setting forth the employe's name, address and social security
- 22 number, the amount of earned income paid to the employe during
- 23 said period, the amount of tax deducted, [the political
- 24 subdivisions imposing the tax upon such employe,] each political
- 25 subdivision to which the withheld tax is remitted and the amount
- 26 of tax paid to the officer. Every employer shall furnish two
- 27 copies of the individual return to the employe for whom it is
- 28 filed.
- 29 (d) Every employer who discontinues business prior to
- 30 December 31, of the current year, shall, within thirty days

- 1 after the discontinuance of business, file the returns and
- 2 withholding statements hereinabove required and pay the tax due.
- 3 (e) Except as otherwise provided in section 9, every
- 4 employer who wilfully or negligently fails or omits to make the
- 5 deductions required by this section shall be liable for payment
- 6 of the taxes which he was required to withhold to the extent
- 7 that such taxes have not been recovered from the employe.
- 8 (f) The failure or omission of any employer to make the
- 9 deductions required by this section shall not relieve any
- 10 employe from the payment of the tax or from complying with the
- 11 requirements of the ordinance or resolution relating to the
- 12 filing of declarations and returns.
- 13 V. Powers and Duties of Officer
- 14 (a) It shall be the duty of the <u>income tax</u> officer to
- 15 collect and receive [the] resident and nonresident taxes, fines
- 16 and penalties imposed by the ordinance or resolution. It shall
- 17 also be [his duty] the duty of the officer to keep a record
- 18 showing the amount received [by him] from each person or
- 19 business paying the tax and the date of such receipt.
- 20 (b) Each officer, before entering upon his official duties
- 21 shall give and acknowledge a bond to the political subdivision
- 22 [or political subdivisions] appointing him. If such political
- 23 subdivision [or political subdivisions] shall by resolution
- 24 designate any bond previously given by the officer as adequate,
- 25 such bond shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the
- 26 subsection. The bond shall be renewed annually.
- 27 Each such bond shall be joint and several, with one or more
- 28 corporate sureties which shall be surety companies authorized to
- 29 do business in this Commonwealth and duly licensed by the
- 30 Insurance Commissioner of this Commonwealth.

- 1 Each bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful discharge by
- 2 the officer, his clerks, assistants and appointees of all trusts
- 3 confided in him by virtue of his office, upon the faithful
- 4 execution of all duties required of him by virtue of his office,
- 5 upon the just and faithful accounting or payment over, according
- 6 to law, of all moneys and all balances thereof paid to, received
- 7 or held by him by virtue of his office and upon the delivery to
- 8 his successor [or successors] in office of all books, papers,
- 9 documents or other official things held in right of his office.
- 10 Each such bond shall be taken in the name of the appointing
- 11 authority [or authorities], and shall be for the use of the
- 12 political subdivision [or political subdivisions] appointing the
- 13 officer, and for the use of such other person [or persons] for
- 14 whom money shall be collected or received, or as his or her
- 15 interest shall otherwise appear, in case of a breach of any of
- 16 the conditions thereof by the acts or neglect of the principal
- 17 on the bond.
- 18 The political subdivision [or political subdivisions]
- 19 appointing the officer, or any person may sue upon the [said]
- 20 bond in its or his own name for its or his own use.
- 21 Each such bond shall contain the name [or names] of the
- 22 surety company [or companies] bound thereon. The political
- 23 subdivision [or political subdivisions] appointing the officer
- 24 shall fix the amount of the bond at an amount [equal to the
- 25 maximum amount of taxes which may be in the possession]
- 26 <u>sufficient to secure the financial responsibility of the officer</u>
- 27 [at any given time.] in accordance with guidelines relating to
- 28 the amount of the bond adopted by the department. Copies of the
- 29 bond shall be filed with the political subdivision appointing
- 30 the officer.

- 1 The political subdivision [or political subdivisions]
- 2 appointing the officer may, at any time, upon cause shown and
- 3 due notice to the officer, and his surety [or sureties], require
- 4 or allow the substitution or the addition of a surety company
- 5 acceptable to such political subdivision [or political
- 6 subdivisions] for the purpose of making the bond sufficient in
- 7 amount, without releasing the surety [or sureties] first
- 8 approved from any accrued liability or previous action on such
- 9 bond.
- 10 The political subdivision [or political subdivisions]
- 11 appointing the officer shall designate the custodian of the bond
- 12 required to be given by the officer. A copy of the bond shall be
- 13 <u>made available upon request to a political subdivision, or the</u>
- 14 officer collector appointed by the political subdivision,
- 15 <u>seeking payment or distribution of a tax authorized by this act.</u>
- 16 (b.1) The department shall promulgate regulations relating
- 17 to the administration, collection, enforcement, removal of
- 18 officers from office and appeal process under this act. The
- 19 regulations shall include required forms, including a
- 20 certificate of residency form, returns and declarations.
- 21 (c) The officer charged with the administration and
- 22 enforcement of the [provisions of the] ordinance or resolution
- 23 [is hereby empowered to prescribe, adopt, promulgate and
- 24 enforce, rules and regulations relating to any matter pertaining
- 25 to the administration and enforcement of the ordinance or
- 26 resolution, including provisions for the re examination and
- 27 correction of declarations and returns, and of payments alleged
- 28 or found to be incorrect, or as to which an overpayment is
- 29 claimed or found to have occurred, and to make refunds in case
- 30 of overpayment, for any period of time not to exceed six years

- 1 subsequent to the date of payment of the sum involved, and to
- 2 prescribe forms necessary for the administration of the
- 3 ordinance or resolution. No rule or regulation of any kind shall
- 4 be enforceable unless it has been approved by resolution by the
- 5 governing body. A copy of such rules and regulations currently
- 6 in force shall be available for public inspection.] shall comply
- 7 with all regulations adopted by the department under this act.
- 8 The officer may use rules and regulations previously adopted by
- 9 <u>the officer or the political subdivision in accordance with this</u>
- 10 act until the adoption of regulations by the department.
- 11 (c.1) An officer shall make refunds for overpayment of taxes
- 12 under this act for a period not to exceed three years subsequent
- 13 <u>to the date of payment.</u>
- 14 (d) The officer shall refund, on petition of, and proof by
- 15 the taxpayer, earned income tax paid on the taxpayer's ordinary
- 16 and necessary business expenses, to the extent that such
- 17 expenses are not paid by the taxpayer's employer.
- 18 (e) The officer and agents designated by him are hereby
- 19 authorized to examine the books, papers, and records of any
- 20 employer [or of any taxpayer or of any], taxpayer or other
- 21 person whom the officer reasonably believes to be an employer or
- 22 taxpayer, in order to verify the accuracy of any declaration or
- 23 return, or if no declaration or return was filed, to ascertain
- 24 the tax due. Every employer [and every taxpayer and every
- 25 person], taxpayer or other person whom the officer reasonably
- 26 believes to be an employer or taxpayer, is hereby directed and
- 27 required to give to the officer, or to any agent designated by
- 28 [him] the officer, the means, facilities and opportunity for
- 29 such examination and investigations[, as are hereby] authorized
- 30 under this act.

- 1 (f) Any information gained by the officer, his agents, or by
- 2 any other official or agent of the [taxing district] political
- 3 <u>subdivision</u>, as a result of any declarations, returns,
- 4 investigations, hearings or verifications required or authorized
- 5 by the ordinance or resolution, shall be confidential, except
- 6 for official purposes and except in accordance with a proper
- 7 judicial order, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 8 (g) The officer is authorized to establish different filing,
- 9 reporting and payment dates for taxpayers whose fiscal years do
- 10 not coincide with the calendar year.
- 11 (h) The officer shall distribute earned income taxes to the
- 12 appropriate political subdivisions within sixty days of the
- 13 deadline for payment by an employer as set forth in Division
- 14 IV(b). [The political subdivisions] A political subdivision
- 15 shall not be required to request the officer to distribute the
- 16 funds collected but shall at least annually reconcile their
- 17 receipts with the records of the officer and return to or credit
- 18 the officer with any overpayment. A political subdivision shall
- 19 not be required to pay a fee or commission to the other
- 20 political subdivision or its tax officer for tax revenue
- 21 distributed under this subsection. If the officer, within one
- 22 year after receiving a tax payment, cannot identify the taxing
- 23 jurisdiction entitled to a tax payment, he shall make payment to
- 24 the municipality in which the tax was collected. If earned
- 25 income taxes are not distributed to the appropriate political
- 26 subdivision within one year of receipt, the political
- 27 subdivision may make a written demand on a tax officer or
- 28 political subdivision for tax revenues collected and
- 29 attributable to residents of the political subdivision making
- 30 the demand. If the taxes attributable to the residents of the

- 1 political subdivision making the demand are not paid within
- 2 thirty days from the date of the demand, the political
- 3 subdivision, person, public employe or private agency designated
- 4 by the political subdivision may enter into an arbitration
- 5 agreement with the officer under 42 Pa.C.S. Ch. 73 Subch. A
- 6 (relating to statutory arbitration) or bring an action in [an
- 7 appropriate the court of common pleas where the officer is a
- 8 resident or where the political subdivision is located in the
- 9 name of the taxing district for the recovery of taxes not
- 10 distributed in accordance with this subsection. The action must
- 11 be brought within seven years of the collection of the taxes.
- 12 (i) The officer shall, on or before the tenth day of each
- 13 month, provide a written report, on a form adopted by the
- 14 department, to the appropriate official of each political
- 15 subdivision for which taxes were collected during the previous
- 16 month and to the department. The report shall include the names
- 17 of taxpayers and employers, the date of collection, penalties
- 18 and interest on collections, costs of collection, amounts owed
- 19 to other political subdivisions, refunds, recoveries and
- 20 overpayments.
- 21 <u>(j) An income tax officer shall file an annual report with</u>
- 22 the political subdivision and the department. The report shall
- 23 include all tax collection information for the most recently
- 24 completed tax year as required by the department. The report
- 25 shall be filed by June 15 of the year following the close of the
- 26 reporting year.
- 27 * * *
- 28 <u>X. Fines and Penalties Against Income Tax Officers</u>
- 29 <u>(a) A political subdivision which brings an action under</u>
- 30 Division V(h) may seek equitable relief, including an accounting

- 1 of all undistributed taxes and monetary damages in the form of
- 2 <u>recovery of the taxes not previously distributed plus interest</u>
- 3 calculated from the date that the taxes should have been
- 4 distributed. In addition, the court may impose a civil penalty
- 5 not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for
- 6 <u>each tax quarter for which taxes were not distributed in</u>
- 7 accordance with Division V(h), plus reasonable costs and
- 8 attorney fees. If an officer fails to distribute earned income
- 9 taxes to the appropriate political subdivision as required under
- 10 Division V(h), for four consecutive tax quarters, the court may
- 11 <u>impose a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars</u>
- $12 \frac{(\$5,000)}{(\$5,000)}$
- 13 (b) If an officer_fails to submit the report required under
- 14 Division V(i) or (j), a political subdivision entitled to
- 15 <u>receive the report may bring an action in the court of common</u>
- 16 pleas of that political subdivision and the court may impose a
- 17 penalty of twenty dollars (\$20) a day for each day that the
- 18 report is overdue, not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500). If
- 19 a report submitted under Division V(j) includes any findings of
- 20 noncompliance, the officer is responsible for a civil penalty of
- 21 not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) but not more than two
- 22 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).
- 23 (c) An officer who violates any other provision of this act
- 24 shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to two thousand five
- 25 hundred dollars (\$2,500) for each violation.
- 26 (d) An action against an officer for a violation of this act
- 27 may be brought by a political subdivision in which the officer
- 28 collects taxes, a political subdivision owed taxes by the
- 29 officer, by a surety or by the department.
- 30 (e) A political subdivision shall remove or rescind the

- 1 appointment of an income tax official who has been penalized
- 2 <u>under subsection (c) more than three times.</u>
- 3 Section 4. Section 21 of the act, amended November 30, 2004
- 4 (P.L.1520, No.192), is amended to read:
- 5 Section 21. Collection of Taxes by Suit. Each [taxing
- 6 district or person, political subdivision, bureau, officer,
- 7 public employe [or], private agency or other person designated
- 8 by the taxing district shall have power to collect unpaid taxes
- 9 from the persons owing such taxes by suit in assumpsit or other
- 10 appropriate remedy. Upon each such judgment, execution may be
- 11 issued without any stay or benefit of any exemption law. The
- 12 right of each [such taxing district] political subdivision to
- 13 collect unpaid taxes under [the provisions of] this section
- 14 shall not be affected by the fact that such taxes have been
- 15 entered as liens in the office of the prothonotary, or the fact
- 16 that the property against which they were levied has been
- 17 returned to the county commissioners for taxes for prior years.
- 18 Section 5. Section 22 of the act is amended to read:
- 19 Section 22. Penalties. Except as otherwise provided in the
- 20 case of any tax levied and assessed upon earned income, any such
- 21 political subdivision shall have power to prescribe and enforce
- 22 reasonable penalties for the nonpayment, within the time fixed
- 23 for their payment, of taxes imposed under authority of this act
- 24 and for the violations of the provisions of ordinances or
- 25 resolutions passed under authority of this act.
- 26 If for any reason any tax levied and assessed upon earned
- 27 income by any such political subdivision is not paid when due,
- 28 interest at the rate of six percent per annum on the amount of
- 29 said tax, and an additional penalty of one half of one percent
- 30 of the amount of the unpaid tax or, if more than 25% of the

- 1 amount reported is underreported, an additional penalty of 25%
- 2 of the amount of the unreported tax for each month or fraction
- 3 thereof during which the tax remains unpaid, shall be added and
- 4 collected. When suit is brought for the recovery of any such
- 5 tax, the person liable therefor shall, in addition, be liable
- 6 for the costs of collection and the interest and penalties
- 7 herein imposed.
- 8 Section 6. Section 22.1 of the act, added November 30, 2004
- 9 (P.L.1520, NO.192), is amended to read:
- 10 Section 22.1. Costs of Collection of Delinquent Per Capita,
- 11 Occupation, Occupational Privilege and Earned Income Taxes. (a)
- 12 A person, public employe or private agency designated by [a
- 13 governing body of] a political subdivision to collect and
- 14 administer a [per capita, occupation, occupational privilege or
- 15 earned income] tax under this act may impose and collect the
- 16 reasonable costs incurred to provide notices of delinquency or
- 17 to implement [similar] other procedures utilized to collect
- 18 delinquent taxes from a taxpayer, as approved by [the governing
- 19 body of the political subdivision. Reasonable costs collected
- 20 may be retained by the <u>officer</u>, person, public employe or
- 21 private agency designated to collect the tax, as agreed to by
- 22 [the governing body of] the political subdivision. An itemized
- 23 accounting of all costs collected shall be remitted to the
- 24 political subdivision on an annual basis.
- 25 (b) Costs related to the collection of unpaid per capita,
- 26 occupation or occupational privilege taxes may only be assessed,
- 27 levied and collected for five years from the last day of the
- 28 calendar year in which the tax was due.
- 29 (c) A delinquent taxpayer may not bring an action for
- 30 reimbursement, refund or elimination of reasonable costs of

- 1 collection assessed or imposed prior to the effective date of
- 2 this section. Additional costs may not be assessed on delinquent
- 3 taxes collected prior to the effective date of this section.
- 4 Section 7. This act shall take effect in 60 days.
- 5 SECTION 1. THE ACT OF DECEMBER 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, NO.511), <---
- 6 KNOWN AS THE LOCAL TAX ENABLING ACT, IS AMENDED BY ADDING A
- 7 CHAPTER HEADING TO READ:
- 8 CHAPTER 1
- 9 <u>PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS</u>
- 10 SECTION 2. SECTION 1 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 11 SECTION [1] 101. SHORT TITLE.--THIS ACT SHALL BE KNOWN AND
- 12 MAY BE CITED AS "THE LOCAL TAX ENABLING ACT."
- 13 SECTION 3. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A CHAPTER HEADING TO
- 14 READ:
- 15 <u>CHAPTER 3</u>
- 16 <u>LOCAL TAXES</u>
- 17 SECTION 4. SECTION 2 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 1, 2004
- 18 (P.L.1729, NO.222), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 19 SECTION [2] 301. DELEGATION OF TAXING POWERS AND
- 20 RESTRICTIONS THEREON. -- THE DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITIES OF THE
- 21 FOLLOWING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS,
- 22 CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS A, CITIES OF THE THIRD CLASS,
- 23 BOROUGHS, TOWNS, TOWNSHIPS OF THE FIRST CLASS, TOWNSHIPS OF THE
- 24 SECOND CLASS, SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE SECOND CLASS, SCHOOL
- 25 DISTRICTS OF THE THIRD CLASS, AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE FOURTH
- 26 CLASS, IN ALL CASES INCLUDING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS, MAY,
- 27 IN THEIR DISCRETION, BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, FOR GENERAL
- 28 REVENUE PURPOSES, LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT OR PROVIDE FOR THE
- 29 LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF SUCH TAXES AS THEY SHALL
- 30 DETERMINE ON PERSONS, TRANSACTIONS, OCCUPATIONS, PRIVILEGES,

- 1 SUBJECTS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE LIMITS OF SUCH
- 2 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, AND UPON THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY,
- 3 OR OF ANY INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY, SITUATE WITHIN THE
- 4 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE TAX, REGARDLESS
- 5 OF WHERE THE INSTRUMENTS MAKING THE TRANSFERS ARE MADE, EXECUTED
- 6 OR DELIVERED OR WHERE THE ACTUAL SETTLEMENTS ON SUCH TRANSFER
- 7 TAKE PLACE. THE TAXING AUTHORITY MAY PROVIDE THAT THE TRANSFEREE
- 8 SHALL REMAIN LIABLE FOR ANY UNPAID REALTY TRANSFER TAXES IMPOSED
- 9 BY VIRTUE OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER. EACH LOCAL TAXING AUTHORITY
- 10 MAY, BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, EXEMPT ANY PERSON WHOSE TOTAL
- 11 INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES IS LESS THAN TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS
- 12 (\$12,000) PER ANNUM FROM THE PER CAPITA OR SIMILAR HEAD TAX,
- 13 OCCUPATION TAX AND EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX, OR
- 14 EARNED INCOME TAX, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, AND MAY ADOPT
- 15 REGULATIONS FOR THE PROCESSING OF CLAIMS FOR EXEMPTIONS. SUCH
- 16 LOCAL AUTHORITIES SHALL NOT HAVE AUTHORITY BY VIRTUE OF THIS
- 17 [ACT] CHAPTER:
- 18 (1) TO LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT OR PROVIDE FOR THE LEVYING,
- 19 ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF ANY TAX ON THE TRANSFER OF REAL
- 20 PROPERTY WHEN THE TRANSFER IS BY WILL OR MORTGAGE OR THE
- 21 INTESTATE LAWS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH OR ON A TRANSFER BY THE
- 22 OWNER OF PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL PREMISES TO A BUILDER
- 23 OF NEW RESIDENTIAL PREMISES WHEN SUCH PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED
- 24 RESIDENTIAL PREMISES IS TAKEN IN TRADE BY SUCH BUILDER AS PART
- 25 OF THE CONSIDERATION FROM THE PURCHASER OF A NEW PREVIOUSLY
- 26 UNOCCUPIED SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL PREMISES OR ON A TRANSFER
- 27 BETWEEN CORPORATIONS OPERATING HOUSING PROJECTS PURSUANT TO THE
- 28 HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE LAW AND THE SHAREHOLDERS
- 29 THEREOF, OR ON A TRANSFER BETWEEN NONPROFIT INDUSTRIAL
- 30 DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND INDUSTRIAL CORPORATIONS PURCHASING FROM

- 1 THEM, OR ON TRANSFER TO OR FROM NONPROFIT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
- 2 AGENCIES, OR ON A TRANSFER BETWEEN HUSBAND AND WIFE, OR ON A
- 3 TRANSFER BETWEEN PERSONS WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY HUSBAND AND WIFE
- 4 BUT WHO HAVE SINCE BEEN DIVORCED; PROVIDED SUCH TRANSFER IS MADE
- 5 WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF THE DATE OF THE GRANTING OF THE FINAL
- 6 DECREE IN DIVORCE, OR THE DECREE OF EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF
- 7 MARITAL PROPERTY, WHICHEVER IS LATER, AND THE PROPERTY OR
- 8 INTEREST THEREIN, SUBJECT TO SUCH TRANSFER, WAS ACQUIRED BY THE
- 9 HUSBAND AND WIFE, OR HUSBAND OR WIFE, PRIOR TO THE GRANTING OF
- 10 THE FINAL DECREE IN DIVORCE, OR ON A TRANSFER BETWEEN PARENT AND
- 11 CHILD OR THE SPOUSE OF SUCH A CHILD, OR BETWEEN PARENT AND
- 12 TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF A CHILD OR THE SPOUSE OF SUCH CHILD,
- 13 OR ON A TRANSFER BETWEEN A GRANDPARENT AND GRANDCHILD OR THE
- 14 SPOUSE OF SUCH GRANDCHILD, OR ON A TRANSFER BETWEEN BROTHER AND
- 15 SISTER OR BROTHER AND BROTHER OR SISTER AND SISTER OR THE SPOUSE
- 16 OF SUCH BROTHER OR SISTER, OR ON A TRANSFER TO A CONSERVANCY
- 17 WHICH POSSESSES A TAX-EXEMPT STATUS PURSUANT TO SECTION
- 18 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND WHICH HAS AS ITS
- 19 PRIMARY PURPOSE THE PRESERVATION OF LAND FOR HISTORIC,
- 20 RECREATIONAL, SCENIC, AGRICULTURAL OR OPEN SPACE OPPORTUNITIES,
- 21 BY AND BETWEEN A PRINCIPAL AND STRAW PARTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF
- 22 PLACING A MORTGAGE OR GROUND RENT UPON THE PREMISES, OR ON A
- 23 CORRECTIONAL DEED WITHOUT CONSIDERATION, OR ON A TRANSFER TO THE
- 24 UNITED STATES, THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, OR TO ANY OF
- 25 THEIR INSTRUMENTALITIES, AGENCIES OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, BY
- 26 GIFT, DEDICATION OR DEED IN LIEU OF CONDEMNATION, OR DEED OF
- 27 CONFIRMATION IN CONNECTION WITH CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS, OR
- 28 RECONVEYANCE BY THE CONDEMNING BODY OF THE PROPERTY CONDEMNED TO
- 29 THE OWNER OF RECORD AT THE TIME OF CONDEMNATION WHICH
- 30 RECONVEYANCE MAY INCLUDE PROPERTY LINE ADJUSTMENTS PROVIDED SAID

- 1 RECONVEYANCE IS MADE WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF
- 2 CONDEMNATION, LEASES, OR ON A CONVEYANCE TO A TRUSTEE UNDER A
- 3 RECORDED TRUST AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF HOLDING
- 4 TITLE IN TRUST AS SECURITY FOR A DEBT CONTRACTED AT THE TIME OF
- 5 THE CONVEYANCE UNDER WHICH THE TRUSTEE IS NOT THE LENDER AND
- 6 REQUIRING THE TRUSTEE TO MAKE RECONVEYANCE TO THE GRANTOR-
- 7 BORROWER UPON THE REPAYMENT OF THE DEBT, OR A TRANSFER WITHIN A
- 8 FAMILY FROM A SOLE PROPRIETOR FAMILY MEMBER TO A FAMILY FARM
- 9 CORPORATION, OR IN ANY SHERIFF SALE INSTITUTED BY A MORTGAGEE IN
- 10 WHICH THE PURCHASER OF SAID SHERIFF SALE IS THE MORTGAGEE WHO
- 11 INSTITUTED SAID SALE, OR ON A PRIVILEGE, TRANSACTION, SUBJECT,
- 12 OCCUPATION OR PERSONAL PROPERTY WHICH IS NOW OR DOES HEREAFTER
- 13 BECOME SUBJECT TO A STATE TAX OR LICENSE FEE;
- 14 (2) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON THE GROSS RECEIPTS
- 15 FROM UTILITY SERVICE OF ANY PERSON OR COMPANY WHOSE RATES AND
- 16 SERVICES ARE FIXED AND REGULATED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC
- 17 UTILITY COMMISSION OR ON ANY PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES RENDERED BY
- 18 ANY SUCH PERSON OR COMPANY OR ON ANY PRIVILEGE OR TRANSACTION
- 19 INVOLVING THE RENDERING OF ANY SUCH PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICE;
- 20 (3) EXCEPT ON SALES OF ADMISSION TO PLACES OF AMUSEMENT OR
- 21 ON SALES OR OTHER TRANSFERS OF TITLE OR POSSESSION OF PROPERTY,
- 22 TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON THE PRIVILEGE OF EMPLOYING
- 23 SUCH TANGIBLE PROPERTY AS IS NOW OR DOES HEREAFTER BECOME
- 24 SUBJECT TO A STATE TAX; AND FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CLAUSE,
- 25 REAL PROPERTY RENTED FOR CAMPING PURPOSES SHALL NOT BE
- 26 CONSIDERED A PLACE OF AMUSEMENT.
- 27 (4) TO LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT A TAX ON GOODS AND ARTICLES
- 28 MANUFACTURED IN SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR ON THE BY-PRODUCTS
- 29 OF MANUFACTURE, OR ON MINERALS, TIMBER, NATURAL RESOURCES AND
- 30 FARM PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR ON THE

- 1 PREPARATION OR PROCESSING THEREOF FOR USE OR MARKET, OR ON ANY
- 2 PRIVILEGE, ACT OR TRANSACTION RELATED TO THE BUSINESS OF
- 3 MANUFACTURING, THE PRODUCTION, PREPARATION OR PROCESSING OF
- 4 MINERALS, TIMBER AND NATURAL RESOURCES, OR FARM PRODUCTS, BY
- 5 MANUFACTURERS, BY PRODUCERS AND BY FARMERS WITH RESPECT TO THE
- 6 GOODS, ARTICLES AND PRODUCTS OF THEIR OWN MANUFACTURE,
- 7 PRODUCTION OR GROWTH, OR ON ANY PRIVILEGE, ACT OR TRANSACTION
- 8 RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF PROCESSING BY-PRODUCTS OF
- 9 MANUFACTURE, OR ON THE TRANSPORTATION, LOADING, UNLOADING OR
- 10 DUMPING OR STORAGE OF SUCH GOODS, ARTICLES, PRODUCTS OR BY-
- 11 PRODUCTS; EXCEPT THAT LOCAL AUTHORITIES MAY LEVY, ASSESS AND
- 12 COLLECT AN EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX AND TAXES ON THE
- 13 OCCUPATION, PER CAPITA AND EARNED INCOME OR NET PROFITS OF
- 14 NATURAL PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES WHETHER DOING
- 15 BUSINESS AS INDIVIDUAL PROPRIETORSHIP OR AS MEMBERS OF
- 16 PARTNERSHIPS OR OTHER ASSOCIATIONS;
- 17 (5) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON SALARIES, WAGES,
- 18 COMMISSIONS, COMPENSATION AND EARNED INCOME OF NONRESIDENTS OF
- 19 THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: PROVIDED, THAT THIS LIMITATION (5)
- 20 SHALL APPLY ONLY TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND
- 21 FOURTH CLASSES;
- 22 (6) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON PERSONAL PROPERTY
- 23 SUBJECT TO TAXATION BY COUNTIES OR ON PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY
- 24 PERSONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND CORPORATIONS SPECIFICALLY EXEMPTED BY
- 25 LAW FROM TAXATION UNDER THE COUNTY PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX LAW:
- 26 PROVIDED, THAT THIS LIMITATION (6) SHALL NOT APPLY TO CITIES OF
- 27 THE SECOND CLASS;
- 28 (7) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON MEMBERSHIP IN OR
- 29 MEMBERSHIP DUES, FEES OR ASSESSMENT OF CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS,
- 30 BENEFICIAL OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED

- 1 TO SPORTSMENS, RECREATIONAL, GOLF AND TENNIS CLUBS, GIRL AND BOY
- 2 SCOUT TROOPS AND COUNCILS;
- 3 (8) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT ANY TAX ON A MOBILEHOME OR
- 4 HOUSE TRAILER SUBJECT TO A REAL PROPERTY TAX UNLESS THE SAME TAX
- 5 IS LEVIED, ASSESSED AND COLLECTED ON OTHER REAL PROPERTY IN THE
- 6 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 7 (9) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT ANY TAX ON INDIVIDUALS FOR
- 8 THE PRIVILEGE OF ENGAGING IN AN OCCUPATION (EMERGENCY AND
- 9 MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX) EXCEPT THAT SUCH A TAX MAY BE LEVIED,
- 10 ASSESSED AND COLLECTED ONLY BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE
- 11 TAXPAYER'S PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT.
- 12 PAYMENT OF ANY EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX TO ANY
- 13 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION BY ANY PERSON PURSUANT TO AN ORDINANCE OR
- 14 RESOLUTION PASSED OR ADOPTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT]
- 15 CHAPTER SHALL BE NO LESS THAN TEN DOLLARS (\$10) NOR MORE THAN
- 16 FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$52) ON EACH PERSON FOR EACH CALENDAR YEAR.
- 17 THE SITUS OF SUCH TAX SHALL BE THE PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, BUT,
- 18 IN THE EVENT A PERSON IS ENGAGED IN MORE THAN ONE OCCUPATION, OR
- 19 AN OCCUPATION WHICH REQUIRES HIS WORKING IN MORE THAN ONE
- 20 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR, THE PRIORITY OF
- 21 CLAIM TO COLLECT SUCH EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX SHALL
- 22 BE IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER: FIRST, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN
- 23 WHICH A PERSON MAINTAINS HIS PRINCIPAL OFFICE OR IS PRINCIPALLY
- 24 EMPLOYED; SECOND, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN WHICH THE PERSON
- 25 RESIDES AND WORKS, IF SUCH A TAX IS LEVIED BY THAT POLITICAL
- 26 SUBDIVISION; THIRD, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN WHICH A PERSON
- 27 IS EMPLOYED AND WHICH IMPOSES THE TAX NEAREST IN MILES TO THE
- 28 PERSON'S HOME. THE PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT SHALL BE DETERMINED AS OF
- 29 THE DAY THE TAXPAYER FIRST BECOMES SUBJECT TO THE TAX DURING THE
- 30 CALENDAR YEAR.

- 1 IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS PROVISION THAT NO PERSON SHALL PAY
- 2 MORE THAN FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$52) IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR AS AN
- 3 EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX IRRESPECTIVE OF THE NUMBER
- 4 OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN WHICH SUCH PERSON MAY BE
- 5 EMPLOYED WITHIN ANY GIVEN CALENDAR YEAR.
- 6 IN CASE OF DISPUTE, A TAX RECEIPT OF THE TAXING AUTHORITY FOR
- 7 THAT CALENDAR YEAR DECLARING THAT THE TAXPAYER HAS MADE PRIOR
- 8 PAYMENT WHICH CONSTITUTES PRIMA FACIE CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENT
- 9 TO ALL OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.
- 10 (10) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON ADMISSIONS TO
- 11 MOTION PICTURE THEATRES: PROVIDED, THAT THIS LIMITATION (10)
- 12 SHALL NOT APPLY TO CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS.
- 13 (11) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF
- 14 OR IMPROVEMENT TO RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS OR UPON THE APPLICATION
- 15 FOR OR ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF OR
- 16 IMPROVEMENTS TO RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS.
- 17 (12) TO LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT A MERCANTILE OR BUSINESS
- 18 PRIVILEGE TAX ON GROSS RECEIPTS OR PART THEREOF WHICH ARE: (I)
- 19 DISCOUNTS ALLOWED TO PURCHASERS AS CASH DISCOUNTS FOR PROMPT
- 20 PAYMENT OF THEIR BILLS; (II) CHARGES ADVANCED BY A SELLER FOR
- 21 FREIGHT, DELIVERY OR OTHER TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURCHASER IN
- 22 ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF A CONTRACT OF SALE; (III) RECEIVED
- 23 UPON THE SALE OF AN ARTICLE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY WHICH WAS
- 24 ACQUIRED BY THE SELLER AS A TRADE-IN TO THE EXTENT THAT THE
- 25 GROSS RECEIPTS IN THE SALE OF THE ARTICLE TAKEN IN TRADE DOES
- 26 NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF TRADE-IN ALLOWANCE MADE IN ACQUIRING
- 27 SUCH ARTICLE; (IV) REFUNDS, CREDITS OR ALLOWANCES GIVEN TO A
- 28 PURCHASER ON ACCOUNT OF DEFECTS IN GOODS SOLD OR MERCHANDISE
- 29 RETURNED; (V) PENNSYLVANIA SALES TAX; (VI) BASED ON THE VALUE OF
- 30 EXCHANGES OR TRANSFERS BETWEEN ONE SELLER AND ANOTHER SELLER WHO

- 1 TRANSFERS PROPERTY WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT PROPERTY OF AN
- 2 IDENTICAL DESCRIPTION WILL BE RETURNED AT A SUBSEQUENT DATE;
- 3 HOWEVER, WHEN SELLERS ENGAGED IN SIMILAR LINES OF BUSINESS
- 4 EXCHANGE PROPERTY AND ONE OF THEM MAKES PAYMENT TO THE OTHER IN
- 5 ADDITION TO THE PROPERTY EXCHANGED, THE ADDITIONAL PAYMENT
- 6 RECEIVED MAY BE INCLUDED IN THE GROSS RECEIPTS OF THE SELLER
- 7 RECEIVING SUCH ADDITIONAL CASH PAYMENTS; (VII) OF SELLERS FROM
- 8 SALES TO OTHER SELLERS IN THE SAME LINE WHERE THE SELLER
- 9 TRANSFERS THE TITLE OR POSSESSION AT THE SAME PRICE FOR WHICH
- 10 THE SELLER ACQUIRED THE MERCHANDISE; OR (VIII) TRANSFERS BETWEEN
- 11 ONE DEPARTMENT, BRANCH OR DIVISION OF A CORPORATION OR OTHER
- 12 BUSINESS ENTITY OF GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE TO ANOTHER
- 13 DEPARTMENT, BRANCH OR DIVISION OF THE SAME CORPORATION OR
- 14 BUSINESS ENTITY AND WHICH ARE RECORDED ON THE BOOKS TO REFLECT
- 15 SUCH INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRANSACTIONS.
- 16 (13) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT AN AMUSEMENT OR ADMISSIONS
- 17 TAX ON MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP DUES, FEES OR ASSESSMENTS,
- 18 DONATIONS, CONTRIBUTIONS OR MONETARY CHARGES OF ANY CHARACTER
- 19 WHATSOEVER PAID BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC, OR A LIMITED OR SELECTED
- 20 NUMBER THEREOF, FOR SUCH PERSONS TO ENTER INTO ANY PLACE,
- 21 INDOORS OR OUTDOORS, TO ENGAGE IN ANY ACTIVITIES, THE
- 22 PREDOMINANT PURPOSE OR NATURE OF WHICH IS EXERCISE, FITNESS,
- 23 HEALTH MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT OR REHABILITATION, HEALTH OR
- 24 NUTRITION EDUCATION, OR WEIGHT CONTROL.
- 25 (14) EXCEPT BY CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, TO LEVY, ASSESS
- 26 OR COLLECT A TAX ON PAYROLL AMOUNTS GENERATED AS A RESULT OF
- 27 BUSINESS ACTIVITY.
- 28 (15) EXCEPT BY CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS IN WHICH A SPORTS
- 29 STADIUM OR ARENA THAT HAS RECEIVED PUBLIC FUNDS IN CONNECTION
- 30 WITH ITS CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE IS LOCATED, TO LEVY, ASSESS

- 1 AND COLLECT A PUBLICLY FUNDED FACILITY USAGE FEE UPON THOSE
- 2 NONRESIDENT INDIVIDUALS WHO USE SUCH FACILITY TO ENGAGE IN AN
- 3 ATHLETIC EVENT OR OTHERWISE RENDER A PERFORMANCE FOR WHICH THEY
- 4 RECEIVE REMUNERATION.
- 5 (16) TO LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT AN AMUSEMENT OR ADMISSIONS
- 6 TAX ON THE CHARGE IMPOSED UPON A PATRON FOR THE SALE OF
- 7 ADMISSION TO OR FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF ADMISSION TO A BOWLING
- 8 ALLEY OR BOWLING LANE TO ENGAGE IN ONE OR MORE GAMES OF BOWLING.
- 9 SECTION 5. SECTION 2.1 OF THE ACT, ADDED OCTOBER 11, 1984
- 10 (P.L.885, NO.172), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 11 SECTION [2.1] 302. RECAPTURE OF TAX.--(A) NOTWITHSTANDING
- 12 THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION [2(1) OF THIS ACT] 301(1), IF ANY
- 13 STOCK OF A FAMILY FARM CORPORATION IS TRANSFERRED TO A PERSON
- 14 WHO IS NOT A FAMILY MEMBER WITHIN TEN YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE
- 15 CONVEYANCE FROM A SOLE PROPRIETOR FAMILY MEMBER TO A FAMILY FARM
- 16 CORPORATION, THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE SHALL BECOME
- 17 IMMEDIATELY DUE AND PAYABLE.
- 18 (B) AS USED IN THIS [ACT] CHAPTER:
- 19 "BUSINESS ENTITY" MEANS A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, CORPORATION,
- 20 <u>JOINT-STOCK ASSOCIATION OR COMPANY, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED</u>
- 21 PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, ASSOCIATION, BUSINESS
- 22 TRUST, SYNDICATE OR OTHER COMMERCIAL OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY
- 23 ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH OR ANY OTHER
- 24 JURISDICTION.
- 25 <u>"EMPLOYER" MEANS A PERSON, BUSINESS ENTITY OR OTHER ENTITY,</u>
- 26 INCLUDING THE COMMONWEALTH, ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND
- 27 INSTRUMENTALITIES AND PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, EMPLOYING ONE OR MORE
- 28 PERSONS FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION OR OTHER COMPENSATION.
- "FAMILY FARM CORPORATION" MEANS A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION AT
- 30 LEAST SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE ASSETS OF WHICH ARE DEVOTED TO

- 1 THE BUSINESS OF AGRICULTURE, WHICH BUSINESS, FOR THE PURPOSES OF
- 2 THIS DEFINITION, SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO INCLUDE (I) RECREATIONAL
- 3 ACTIVITIES SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, HUNTING, FISHING,
- 4 CAMPING, SKIING, SHOW COMPETITION OR RACING; (II) THE RAISING,
- 5 BREEDING OR TRAINING OF GAME ANIMALS OR GAME BIRDS, FISH, CATS,
- 6 DOGS OR PETS OR ANIMALS INTENDED FOR USE IN SPORTING OR
- 7 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES; (III) FUR FARMING; (IV) STOCKYARD AND
- 8 SLAUGHTERHOUSE OPERATIONS; OR (V) MANUFACTURING OR PROCESSING
- 9 OPERATIONS OF ANY KIND: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT AT LEAST
- 10 SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF ALL OF THE STOCK OF THE CORPORATION MUST
- 11 BE OWNED BY MEMBERS OF THE SAME FAMILY.
- 12 "MEMBERS OF THE SAME FAMILY" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL, SUCH
- 13 INDIVIDUAL'S BROTHERS AND SISTERS, THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF
- 14 SUCH INDIVIDUAL'S PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS, THE ANCESTORS AND
- 15 LINEAL DESCENDENTS OF ANY OF THE FOREGOING AND A SPOUSE OF ANY
- 16 OF THE FOREGOING. INDIVIDUALS RELATED BY THE HALF BLOOD OR BY
- 17 LEGAL ADOPTION SHALL BE TREATED AS IF THEY WERE RELATED BY THE
- 18 WHOLE BLOOD.
- 19 "PRIVATE AGENCY" MEANS A PERSON OR BUSINESS ENTITY APPOINTED
- 20 AS A TAX COLLECTOR BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 21 SECTION 6. SECTIONS 2.2 AND 2.3 OF THE ACT, ADDED DECEMBER
- 22 1, 2004 (P.L.1729, NO.222), ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 23 SECTION [2.2] 303. PAYROLL TAX.--(A) A CITY OF THE SECOND
- 24 CLASS MAY LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT A TAX THAT DOES NOT EXCEED
- 25 FIFTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS PERCENT ON PAYROLL AMOUNTS GENERATED AS A
- 26 RESULT OF AN EMPLOYER CONDUCTING BUSINESS ACTIVITY WITHIN A CITY
- 27 OF THE SECOND CLASS. FOR PURPOSES OF A PAYROLL TAX LEVIED,
- 28 ASSESSED OR COLLECTED BY A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS, THE
- 29 BUSINESS ACTIVITY SHALL BE DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO ACTIVITY
- 30 WITHIN A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS. FOR PURPOSES OF COMPUTATION

- 1 OF THE PAYROLL TAX IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE PAYROLL
- 2 AMOUNT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE CITY SHALL BE DETERMINED BY APPLYING
- 3 AN APPORTIONMENT FACTOR TO TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSE BASED ON THAT
- 4 PORTION OF PAYROLL EXPENSE WHICH THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DAYS AN
- 5 EMPLOYE, PARTNER, MEMBER, SHAREHOLDER OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL WORKS
- 6 WITHIN THE CITY BEARS TO THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DAYS SUCH EMPLOYE
- 7 OR PERSON WORKS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE OF THE CITY.
- 8 (A.1) A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION THAT QUALIFIES FOR TAX
- 9 EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO THE ACT OF NOVEMBER 26, 1997 (P.L.508,
- 10 NO.55), KNOWN AS THE "INSTITUTIONS OF PURELY PUBLIC CHARITY
- 11 ACT, " SHALL CALCULATE THE TAX THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE
- 12 ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE CITY, BUT SHALL ONLY PAY THE TAX ON THAT
- 13 PORTION OF ITS PAYROLL EXPENSE ATTRIBUTABLE TO BUSINESS ACTIVITY
- 14 FOR WHICH A TAX MAY BE IMPOSED PURSUANT TO SECTION 511 OF THE
- 15 INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 (PUBLIC LAW [95-223] <u>99-514</u>, 26
- 16 U.S.C. § 1 ET SEQ.). IF THE CHARITY HAS PURCHASED OR IS
- 17 OPERATING BRANCHES, AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES OR OTHER BUSINESS
- 18 ENTITIES THAT DO NOT INDEPENDENTLY MEET THE STANDARDS OF THE
- 19 "INSTITUTIONS OF PURELY PUBLIC CHARITY ACT," THE TAX SHALL BE
- 20 PAID ON THE PAYROLL ATTRIBUTABLE TO SUCH FOR-PROFIT BRANCHES,
- 21 AFFILIATES OR SUBSIDIARIES, WHETHER OR NOT THE EMPLOYES ARE
- 22 LEASED OR PLACED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CHARITY'S UMBRELLA OR
- 23 PARENT ORGANIZATION. NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL RESTRICT
- 24 THE ABILITY OF A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH THE
- 25 CITY TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE CITY IN LIEU OF SOME OR ALL
- 26 TAXES DUE UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 27 (B) FOR PURPOSES OF THE PAYROLL TAX ASSESSED PURSUANT TO
- 28 THIS SECTION, AN EMPLOYER IS CONDUCTING BUSINESS WITHIN A CITY
- 29 OF THE SECOND CLASS IF THE EMPLOYER ENGAGES, HIRES, EMPLOYS OR
- 30 CONTRACTS WITH ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS AS EMPLOYES AND, IN

- 1 ADDITION, THE EMPLOYER DOES AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 2 (1) MAINTAINS A FIXED PLACE OF BUSINESS WITHIN THE CITY;
- 3 (2) OWNS OR LEASES REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY FOR
- 4 PURPOSES OF SUCH BUSINESS;
- 5 (3) MAINTAINS A STOCK OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE
- 6 CITY FOR SALE IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF SUCH BUSINESS;
- 7 (4) CONDUCTS CONTINUOUS SOLICITATION WITHIN THE CITY RELATED
- 8 TO SUCH BUSINESS; OR
- 9 (5) UTILIZES THE STREETS OF THE CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE
- 10 OPERATION OF SUCH BUSINESS OTHER THAN TRANSPORTATION THROUGH THE
- 11 CITY.
- 12 (C) ALL EMPLOYERS IN A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS SHALL FILE
- 13 QUARTERLY RETURNS AND MAKE QUARTERLY PAYMENTS AS PROVIDED FOR BY
- 14 ORDINANCE ENACTED BY A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS. EVERY EMPLOYER
- 15 MAKING A RETURN SHALL CERTIFY THE CORRECTNESS THEREOF. A CITY OF
- 16 THE SECOND CLASS MAY AUDIT, EXAMINE OR INSPECT THE BOOKS,
- 17 RECORDS OR ACCOUNTS OF ALL EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE TAX IMPOSED
- 18 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
- 19 (D) A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS MAY ENACT ORDINANCES AND
- 20 REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION. THE ORDINANCE
- 21 LEVYING THE TAX AUTHORIZED BY THIS SECTION SHALL PERMANENTLY
- 22 REPLACE THE CITY'S EXISTING MERCANTILE TAX AND SHALL REDUCE THE
- 23 BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX RATE AS FOLLOWS:
- 24 (1) IN TAX YEARS 2005 AND 2006, THE BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX
- 25 SHALL BE TWO MILLS.
- 26 (2) IN TAX YEARS 2007, 2008 AND 2009, THE BUSINESS PRIVILEGE
- 27 TAX SHALL BE ONE MILL UNLESS THE REVENUES COLLECTED FROM THE
- 28 PAYROLL EXPENSE TAX EXCEED FIFTY MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND
- 29 DOLLARS (\$50,500,000) IN ANY FISCAL YEAR, AT WHICH TIME THE
- 30 BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX SHALL BE REPLACED FOR THE SUBSEQUENT

- 1 FISCAL YEAR. AFTER THE PHASEOUT OF THE BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX,
- 2 ALL AMOUNTS OF MONEYS IN EXCESS OF FIFTY MILLION FIVE HUNDRED
- 3 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,500,000) SHALL BE USED BY THE CITY OF THE
- 4 SECOND CLASS TO FURTHER ACCELERATE THE REDUCTION OF THE TAX
- 5 IMPOSED BY THE CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS ON PARKING AS PROVIDED
- 6 IN SECTION [5.1] 308.
- 7 (3) IN TAX YEAR 2010 AND THEREAFTER, THE BUSINESS PRIVILEGE
- 8 TAX MAY NOT BE IMPOSED.
- 9 (E) ALL TAXES, ADDITIONS AND PENALTIES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO
- 10 THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED BY A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS
- 11 EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES OF THE CITY.
- 12 (F) AN EMPLOYER SHALL NOT OFFSET THE AMOUNT OF TAX PAID
- 13 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION BY REDUCING COMPENSATION OR BENEFITS
- 14 PAID TO EMPLOYES.
- 15 (G) A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS MAY BRING SUIT FOR THE
- 16 RECOVERY OF TAXES DUE AND UNPAID UNDER THIS SECTION. ANY SUIT
- 17 BROUGHT TO RECOVER THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS SECTION SHALL BE
- 18 COMMENCED WITHIN THREE YEARS AFTER SUCH TAX IS DUE OR WITHIN
- 19 THREE YEARS AFTER THE DECLARATION OR RETURN HAS BEEN FILED,
- 20 WHICHEVER IS LATER: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS LIMITATION
- 21 SHALL NOT PREVENT THE INSTITUTION OF A SUIT FOR THE COLLECTION
- 22 OF ANY TAX DUE OR DETERMINED TO BE DUE IN THE FOLLOWING CASES:
- 23 (1) WHERE NO DECLARATION OR RETURN WAS FILED BY ANY PERSON
- 24 ALTHOUGH A DECLARATION OR RETURN WAS REQUIRED TO BE FILED BY HIM
- 25 UNDER PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THERE SHALL BE NO LIMITATION.
- 26 (2) WHERE AN EXAMINATION OF THE DECLARATION OR RETURN FILED
- 27 BY ANY PERSON OR OF OTHER EVIDENCE RELATING TO SUCH DECLARATION
- 28 OR RETURN IN THE POSSESSION OF THE CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS
- 29 REVEALS A FRAUDULENT EVASION OF TAXES, THERE SHALL BE NO
- 30 LIMITATION.

- 1 (3) IN THE CASE OF SUBSTANTIAL UNDERSTATEMENT OF TAX
- 2 LIABILITY OF TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OR MORE AND NO FRAUD, SUIT
- 3 SHALL BE BEGUN WITHIN SIX YEARS.
- 4 (4) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE
- 5 GOVERNING BODY FROM RECOVERING DELINQUENT TAXES BY ANY OTHER
- 6 MEANS PROVIDED BY LAW.
- 7 (H) IF FOR ANY REASON THE PAYROLL TAX IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE,
- 8 INTEREST AT THE RATE OF SIX PERCENT PER ANNUM ON THE AMOUNT OF
- 9 SAID TAX AND AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY OF ONE PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT
- 10 OF THE UNPAID TAX FOR EACH MONTH OR FRACTION THEREOF DURING
- 11 WHICH THE TAX REMAINS UNPAID SHALL BE ADDED AND COLLECTED. WHERE
- 12 SUIT IS BROUGHT FOR THE RECOVERY OF ANY SUCH TAX, THE EMPLOYER
- 13 SHALL, IN ADDITION, BE LIABLE FOR THE COSTS OF COLLECTION AND
- 14 THE INTEREST AND PENALTIES HEREIN IMPOSED. A CITY OF THE SECOND
- 15 CLASS MAY, BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, ESTABLISH A ONE-TIME
- 16 PERIOD DURING WHICH INTEREST OR INTEREST AND PENALTIES THAT
- 17 WOULD OTHERWISE BE IMPOSED FOR THE NONREPORTING OR
- 18 UNDERREPORTING OF PAYROLL TAX LIABILITIES OR FOR THE NONPAYMENT
- 19 OF PAYROLL TAXES PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED AND DUE SHALL BE WAIVED IN
- 20 TOTAL OR IN PART IF THE TAXPAYER VOLUNTARILY FILES DELINQUENT
- 21 RETURNS AND PAYS THE TAXES IN FULL DURING THE PERIOD SO
- 22 ESTABLISHED.
- 23 (I) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER ADDITIONS, PENALTIES OR
- 24 ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS PROVIDED FOR BY ORDINANCE OF A CITY OF
- 25 THE SECOND CLASS OR A LAW OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THE
- 26 COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF TAXES OR THE SUBMISSION OF
- 27 INFORMATION TO A GOVERNMENT ENTITY:
- 28 (1) ANY EMPLOYER WHO WILFULLY MAKES ANY FALSE OR UNTRUE
- 29 STATEMENT ON THE EMPLOYER'S RETURN COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE
- 30 SECOND DEGREE AND SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A

- 1 FINE OF NOT MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) OR TO
- 2 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO YEARS, OR BOTH.
- 3 (2) ANY EMPLOYER WHO WILFULLY FAILS OR REFUSES TO FILE A
- 4 RETURN REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE
- 5 THIRD DEGREE AND SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A
- 6 FINE OF NOT MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000) OR TO
- 7 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR, OR BOTH.
- 8 (3) ANY PERSON WHO WILFULLY FAILS OR REFUSES TO APPEAR
- 9 BEFORE THE COLLECTOR IN PERSON WITH THE EMPLOYER'S BOOKS,
- 10 RECORDS OR ACCOUNTS FOR EXAMINATION WHEN REQUIRED UNDER THE
- 11 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION OR OF AN ORDINANCE TO DO SO, OR WHO
- 12 WILFULLY REFUSES TO PERMIT INSPECTION OF THE BOOKS, RECORDS OR
- 13 ACCOUNTS OF ANY EMPLOYER IN THE PERSON'S CUSTODY OR CONTROL WHEN
- 14 THE RIGHT TO MAKE SUCH INSPECTION BY THE COLLECTOR IS REQUESTED,
- 15 COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR AND SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED
- 16 TO PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500) OR TO
- 17 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN SIX MONTHS, OR BOTH.
- 18 (J) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
- 19 "EMPLOYER" MEANS ALL PERSONS CONDUCTING BUSINESS ACTIVITY
- 20 WITHIN A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS EXCEPT FOR A GOVERNMENTAL
- 21 ENTITY.
- 22 "PAYROLL AMOUNTS" MEANS ALL AMOUNTS PAID BY AN EMPLOYER AS
- 23 SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS, BONUSES, NET EARNINGS AND
- 24 INCENTIVE PAYMENTS, WHETHER BASED ON PROFITS OR OTHERWISE, FEES
- 25 AND SIMILAR REMUNERATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED, WHETHER DIRECTLY
- 26 OR THROUGH AN AGENT AND WHETHER IN CASH, IN PROPERTY OR THE
- 27 RIGHT TO RECEIVE PROPERTY.
- 28 SECTION [2.3] <u>304</u>. NONRESIDENT SPORTS FACILITY USAGE FEE.--A
- 29 CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS IN WHICH IS LOCATED A SPORTS STADIUM OR
- 30 ARENA THAT HAS RECEIVED PUBLIC FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS

- 1 CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE MAY ENACT A PUBLICLY FUNDED FACILITY
- 2 USAGE FEE UPON THOSE NONRESIDENT INDIVIDUALS WHO USE SUCH
- 3 FACILITY TO ENGAGE IN AN ATHLETIC EVENT OR OTHERWISE RENDER A
- 4 PERFORMANCE FOR WHICH THEY RECEIVE REMUNERATION. THE FEE MAY BE
- 5 A FLAT DOLLAR AMOUNT OR A PERCENTAGE OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S INCOME
- 6 ATTRIBUTABLE TO SUCH INDIVIDUAL'S USAGE OF THE FACILITY. IF THE
- 7 FEE IS A PERCENTAGE, IT MAY NOT EXCEED THREE PERCENT OF THE
- 8 EARNED INCOME OF THE INDIVIDUAL ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE USAGE OF THE
- 9 FACILITY. IF ANY FEE IS IMPOSED, THOSE INDIVIDUALS LIABLE FOR
- 10 THE FEE SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM ANY EARNED INCOME TAX IMPOSED BY
- 11 THE CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS PURSUANT TO THIS [ACT] CHAPTER AND
- 12 ANY SUCH TAX IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 652.1 OF THE ACT OF MARCH 10,
- 13 1949 (P.L.30, NO.14), KNOWN AS THE "PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF 1949."
- 14 SHOULD A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION DETERMINE THIS
- 15 PROVISION TO BE INVALID FOR ANY REASON, PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE
- 16 PUBLICLY FUNDED FACILITY USAGE FEE SHALL NOT BE EXEMPT FROM ANY
- 17 PREVIOUSLY APPLICABLE EARNED INCOME TAX.
- 18 SECTION 7. SECTION 3 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 19 SECTION [3] 305. VACATION OF TAX ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
- 20 BY STATE TAX MEASURES. -- IF, SUBSEQUENT TO THE PASSAGE OF ANY
- 21 ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT]
- 22 CHAPTER, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL IMPOSE A TAX OR LICENSE FEE
- 23 ON ANY PRIVILEGE, TRANSACTIONS, SUBJECT OR OCCUPATION, OR ON
- 24 PERSONAL PROPERTY OR ON SALES OF ADMISSION TO PLACES OF
- 25 AMUSEMENT OR ON SALES OR OTHER TRANSFER OF TITLE OR POSSESSION
- 26 OF PROPERTY TAXED BY ANY SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION HEREUNDER,
- 27 THE ACT OF ASSEMBLY IMPOSING THE STATE TAX OR LICENSE FEE
- 28 THEREON SHALL AUTOMATICALLY VACATE THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION
- 29 PASSED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER AS TO ALL TAXES
- 30 ACCRUING SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR OF

- 1 SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION. IT IS THE INTENTION OF THIS SECTION
- 2 TO CONFER UPON SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THE POWER TO LEVY,
- 3 ASSESS AND COLLECT TAXES UPON ANY AND ALL SUBJECTS OF TAXATION,
- 4 EXCEPT AS ABOVE RESTRICTED AND LIMITED, WHICH THE COMMONWEALTH
- 5 HAS POWER TO TAX BUT WHICH IT DOES NOT TAX OR LICENSE, SUBJECT
- 6 ONLY TO THE FOREGOING PROVISION THAT ANY TAX OR LICENSE SHALL
- 7 AUTOMATICALLY TERMINATE AT THE END OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR OF
- 8 THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 9 SECTION 8. SECTIONS 4 AND 5 OF THE ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 9,
- 10 1967 (P.L.361, NO.160), ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 11 SECTION [4] 306. ADVERTISEMENT OF INTENTION TO ADOPT TAX
- 12 ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION. -- PRIOR TO THE PASSAGE OF ANY ORDINANCE
- 13 OR THE ADOPTION OF ANY RESOLUTION IMPOSING A TAX OR LICENSE FEE
- 14 UNDER THE AUTHORITY HEREUNDER GRANTED, SUCH POLITICAL
- 15 SUBDIVISION SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE INTENTION TO PASS SUCH
- 16 ORDINANCE OR ADOPT SUCH RESOLUTION. SUCH NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN
- 17 IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER NOTICES REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE GIVEN AND
- 18 SHALL SET FORTH THE SUBSTANTIAL NATURE OF THE TAX OR LICENSE FEE
- 19 TO BE IMPOSED BY THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, THE
- 20 REASON WHICH, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE OFFICIALS OF THE
- 21 SUBDIVISION, NECESSITATES THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX, AND THE
- 22 AMOUNT OF REVENUE ESTIMATED TO BE DERIVED FROM THE TAX.
- 23 PUBLICATION OF SUCH NOTICE SHALL BE MADE BY ADVERTISEMENT ONCE A
- 24 WEEK FOR THREE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION
- 25 WITHIN SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IF THERE IS SUCH NEWSPAPER
- 26 AND, IF THERE IS NOT, THEN SUCH PUBLICATION SHALL BE MADE IN A
- 27 NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
- 28 ADVERTISING POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IS LOCATED.
- 29 EVERY SUCH TAX SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE ON A CALENDAR OR
- 30 FISCAL YEAR BASIS, AS THE CASE MAY BE, WITHOUT ANNUAL

- 1 REENACTMENT UNLESS THE RATE OF THE TAX IS SUBSEQUENTLY CHANGED.
- 2 SECTION [5] 307. RATE, AMOUNT, COURT APPROVAL; REVISION OF
- 3 BUDGET.--ANY TAX IMPOSED UNDER THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL NOT BE
- 4 SUBJECT TO ANY LIMITATIONS UNDER EXISTING LAWS AS TO RATE OR
- 5 AMOUNT OR AS TO THE NECESSITY OF SECURING COURT APPROVAL OR AS
- 6 TO BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS. ANY CITY, BOROUGH OR TOWNSHIP
- 7 IMPOSING A TAX UNDER THIS [ACT] CHAPTER MAY REVISE ITS BUDGET
- 8 DURING ANY FISCAL YEAR BY INCREASING OR MAKING ADDITIONAL
- 9 APPROPRIATIONS FROM FUNDS TO BE PROVIDED FROM SUCH TAX.
- 10 THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION MAY BE PASSED OR ADOPTED PRIOR TO
- 11 THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR AND PRIOR TO THE PREPARATION OF
- 12 THE BUDGET WHEN DESIRABLE.
- 13 EVERY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION WHICH IMPOSED A TAX UNDER THE
- 14 AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL BE PASSED OR ADOPTED, IF
- 15 FOR A SCHOOL DISTRICT, DURING THE PERIOD OTHER SCHOOL TAXES ARE
- 16 REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE LEVIED AND ASSESSED BY SUCH DISTRICT. EACH
- 17 ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION SHALL STATE THAT IT IS ENACTED UNDER
- 18 THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, KNOWN AS "THE LOCAL TAX
- 19 ENABLING ACT".
- 20 SECTION 9. SECTION 5.1 OF THE ACT, ADDED DECEMBER 1, 2004
- 21 (P.L.1729, NO.222), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 22 SECTION [5.1] 308. SECOND CLASS CITY PARKING TAX RATES.--THE
- 23 RATE OF THE TAX IMPOSED ON PARKING TRANSACTIONS SHALL NOT DIFFER
- 24 FROM THE RATE CONTAINED IN CITY OF PITTSBURGH ORDINANCE NUMBER
- 25 43-2003 AS OF JANUARY 1, 2004, EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:
- 26 (1) IN TAX YEAR 2007, THE RATE OF TAX SHALL NOT EXCEED 45%.
- 27 (2) IN TAX YEAR 2008, THE RATE OF TAX SHALL NOT EXCEED 40%.
- 28 (3) IN TAX YEAR 2009, THE RATE OF TAX SHALL NOT EXCEED
- 29 37.5%.
- 30 (4) IN TAX YEAR 2010, THE RATE OF TAX SHALL NOT EXCEED 35%

- 1 AS EXISTED PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE.
- 2 SECTION 10. SECTION 6 OF THE ACT, REPEALED IN PART JUNE 3,
- 3 1971 (P.L.118, NO.6), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 4 SECTION [6] 309. APPEALS BY TAXPAYERS.--NO TAX LEVIED FOR
- 5 THE FIRST TIME BY ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION TO WHICH THIS [ACT]
- 6 CHAPTER APPLIES SHALL GO INTO EFFECT UNTIL THIRTY DAYS FROM THE
- 7 TIME OF THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION LEVYING THE
- 8 TAX. WITHIN SAID THIRTY DAYS, TAXPAYERS REPRESENTING TWENTY-FIVE
- 9 PERCENT OR MORE OF THE TOTAL VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE IN THE
- 10 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AS ASSESSED FOR TAXATION PURPOSES, OR
- 11 TAXPAYERS OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION NOT LESS THAN TWENTY-FIVE
- 12 IN NUMBER AGGRIEVED BY THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION SHALL HAVE
- 13 THE RIGHT TO APPEAL THEREFROM TO THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS
- 14 OF THE COUNTY UPON GIVING BOND WITH SUFFICIENT SECURITY IN THE
- 15 AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500), APPROVED BY THE COURT, TO
- 16 PROSECUTE THE APPEAL WITH EFFECT AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF COSTS.
- 17 THE PETITION SHALL SET FORTH THE OBJECTIONS TO THE TAX AND THE
- 18 FACTS IN SUPPORT OF SUCH OBJECTIONS, AND SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY
- 19 THE AFFIDAVIT OF AT LEAST FIVE OF THE PETITIONERS THAT THE
- 20 AVERMENTS OF THE PETITION ARE TRUE AND THE PETITION IS NOT FILED
- 21 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELAY.
- 22 NO SUCH APPEAL SHALL ACT AS A SUPERSEDEAS UNLESS SPECIFICALLY
- 23 ALLOWED BY THE COURT TO WHICH THE APPEAL IS TAKEN OR A JUDGE
- 24 THEREOF.
- 25 IMMEDIATELY UPON THE FILING OF ANY SUCH PETITION, THE
- 26 PETITIONERS SHALL SERVE A COPY OF THE PETITION AND ANY RULE
- 27 GRANTED BY THE COURT UPON THE PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY OR
- 28 CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY LEVYING THE TAX.
- THE COURT SHALL FIX A DAY FOR A HEARING NOT LESS THAN FIFTEEN
- 30 DAYS NOR MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE FILING OF THE PETITION.

- 1 NOTICE OF THE TIME OF SUCH HEARING SHALL BE GIVEN TO ALL
- 2 INTERESTED PARTIES AS THE COURT SHALL DIRECT. THE COURT SHALL
- 3 PROMPTLY HEAR AND DISPOSE OF THE APPEAL.
- 4 IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE COURT TO DECLARE THE ORDINANCE
- 5 AND THE TAX IMPOSED THEREBY TO BE VALID UNLESS IT CONCLUDES THAT
- 6 THE ORDINANCE IS UNLAWFUL OR FINDS THAT THE TAX IMPOSED IS
- 7 EXCESSIVE OR UNREASONABLE; BUT THE COURT SHALL NOT INTERFERE
- 8 WITH THE REASONABLE DISCRETION OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY IN
- 9 SELECTING THE SUBJECTS OR FIXING THE RATES OF THE TAX. THE COURT
- 10 MAY DECLARE INVALID ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE ORDINANCE OR OF
- 11 THE TAX IMPOSED OR MAY REDUCE THE RATES OF TAX.
- 12 SECTION 11. SECTION 7 OF THE ACT, AMENDED AUGUST 11, 1967
- 13 (P.L.228, NO.83) AND OCTOBER 9, 1967 (P.L.361, NO.160), IS
- 14 AMENDED TO READ:
- 15 SECTION [7] 310. FILING OF CERTIFIED COPIES OF ORDINANCES
- 16 AND RESOLUTIONS. -- WHEN AN ORDINANCE OR A RESOLUTION IS FIRST
- 17 PASSED OR ADOPTED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IMPOSING A TAX OR
- 18 LICENSE FEE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, AN EXACT
- 19 PRINTED OR TYPEWRITTEN COPY THEREOF, CERTIFIED TO BY THE
- 20 SECRETARY OF THE TAXING BODY, SHALL BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT
- 21 OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS AFTER THE SAME BECOMES
- 22 EFFECTIVE.
- 23 ANY SECRETARY OR PERSON ACTING AS THE CLERK OR SECRETARY OF
- 24 THE TAXING BODY OF ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION DURING THE MEETING
- 25 AT WHICH AN ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION IMPOSING A TAX OR LICENSE
- 26 FEE IS PASSED OR ADOPTED AS HEREIN PROVIDED WHO SHALL FAIL TO
- 27 FILE THE CERTIFIED COPY OR STATEMENT RELATIVE THERETO WITH THE
- 28 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AS HEREIN REQUIRED, SHALL, UPON
- 29 SUMMARY CONVICTION THEREOF IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE POLITICAL
- 30 SUBDIVISION IS LOCATED, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NOT LESS

- 1 THAN FIVE DOLLARS (\$5) NOR MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25),
- 2 AND THE COSTS OF PROSECUTION.
- 3 SECTION 12. SECTION 8 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 1, 2004
- 4 (P.L.1729, NO.222), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 5 SECTION [8] 311. LIMITATIONS ON RATES OF SPECIFIC TAXES.--NO
- 6 TAXES LEVIED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL BE
- 7 LEVIED BY ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS
- 8 EXCEEDING THE RATES SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION:
- 9 (1) PER CAPITA, POLL OR OTHER SIMILAR HEAD TAXES, TEN
- 10 DOLLARS (\$10).
- 11 (2) ON EACH DOLLAR OF THE WHOLE VOLUME OF BUSINESS
- 12 TRANSACTED BY WHOLESALE DEALERS IN GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE,
- 13 ONE MILL, BY RETAIL DEALERS IN GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE AND
- 14 BY PROPRIETORS OF RESTAURANTS OR OTHER PLACES WHERE FOOD, DRINK
- 15 AND REFRESHMENTS ARE SERVED, ONE AND ONE-HALF MILLS; EXCEPT IN
- 16 CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, WHERE RATES SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE
- 17 MILL ON WHOLESALE DEALERS AND TWO MILLS ON RETAIL DEALERS AND
- 18 PROPRIETORS. NO SUCH TAX SHALL BE LEVIED ON THE DOLLAR VOLUME OF
- 19 BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS DERIVED FROM
- 20 THE RESALE OF GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE, TAKEN BY ANY DEALER
- 21 AS A TRADE-IN OR AS PART PAYMENT FOR OTHER GOODS, WARES AND
- 22 MERCHANDISE, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE RESALE PRICE EXCEEDS
- 23 THE TRADE-IN ALLOWANCE.
- 24 (3) ON WAGES, SALARIES, COMMISSIONS AND OTHER EARNED INCOME
- 25 OF INDIVIDUALS, ONE PERCENT.
- 26 (4) ON RETAIL SALES INVOLVING THE TRANSFER OF TITLE OR
- 27 POSSESSION OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY, TWO PERCENT.
- 28 (5) ON THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY, ONE PERCENT.
- 29 (6) ON ADMISSIONS TO PLACES OF AMUSEMENT, ATHLETIC EVENTS
- 30 AND THE LIKE, AND ON MOTION PICTURE THEATRES IN CITIES OF THE

- 1 SECOND CLASS, TEN PERCENT.
- 2 (7) FLAT RATE OCCUPATION TAXES NOT USING A MILLAGE OR
- 3 PERCENTAGE AS A BASIS, TEN DOLLARS (\$10).
- 4 (8) EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES, FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS
- 5 (\$52).
- 6 (9) ON ADMISSIONS TO SKI FACILITIES, TEN PERCENT. THE TAX
- 7 BASE UPON WHICH THE TAX SHALL BE LEVIED SHALL NOT EXCEED FORTY
- 8 PERCENT OF THE COST OF THE LIFT TICKET. THE LIFT TICKET SHALL
- 9 INCLUDE ALL COSTS OF ADMISSIONS TO THE SKI FACILITY.
- 10 (10) ON ADMISSIONS TO GOLF COURSES, TEN PERCENT. THE TAX
- 11 BASE UPON WHICH THE TAX SHALL BE LEVIED SHALL NOT EXCEED FORTY
- 12 PERCENT OF THE GREENS FEE. THE GREENS FEE SHALL INCLUDE ALL
- 13 COSTS OF ADMISSIONS TO THE GOLF COURSE.
- 14 (12) ON PAYROLLS, FIFTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS PERCENT.
- 15 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, AT ANY
- 16 TIME TWO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS SHALL IMPOSE ANY ONE OF THE
- 17 ABOVE TAXES ON THE SAME PERSON, SUBJECT, BUSINESS, TRANSACTION
- 18 OR PRIVILEGE, LOCATED WITHIN BOTH SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS,
- 19 DURING THE SAME YEAR OR PART OF THE SAME YEAR, UNDER THE
- 20 AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER THEN THE TAX LEVIED BY A
- 21 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER
- 22 SHALL, DURING THE TIME SUCH DUPLICATION OF THE TAX EXISTS,
- 23 EXCEPT AS HEREINAFTER OTHERWISE PROVIDED, BE ONE-HALF OF THE
- 24 RATE, AS ABOVE LIMITED, AND SUCH ONE-HALF RATE SHALL BECOME
- 25 EFFECTIVE BY VIRTUE OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER
- 26 FROM THE DAY SUCH DUPLICATION BECOMES EFFECTIVE WITHOUT ANY
- 27 ACTION ON THE PART OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IMPOSING THE TAX
- 28 UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER. WHEN ANY ONE OF THE
- 29 ABOVE TAXES HAS BEEN LEVIED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS [ACT]
- 30 CHAPTER BY ONE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND A SUBSEQUENT LEVY IS

- 1 MADE EITHER FOR THE FIRST TIME OR IS REVIVED AFTER A LAPSE OF
- 2 TIME BY ANOTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON THE SAME PERSON,
- 3 SUBJECT, BUSINESS, TRANSACTION OR PRIVILEGE AT A RATE THAT WOULD
- 4 MAKE THE COMBINED LEVIES EXCEED THE LIMIT ALLOWED BY THIS
- 5 SUBDIVISION, THE TAX OF THE SECOND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL
- 6 NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH
- 7 THE PRIOR TAX WAS LEVIED, UNLESS:
- 8 (1) NOTICE INDICATING ITS INTENTION TO MAKE SUCH LEVY IS
- 9 GIVEN TO THE FIRST TAXING BODY BY THE SECOND TAXING BODY AS
- 10 FOLLOWS: (I) WHEN THE NOTICE IS GIVEN TO A SCHOOL DISTRICT IT
- 11 SHALL BE GIVEN AT LEAST FORTY-FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE LAST DAY
- 12 FIXED BY LAW FOR THE LEVY OF ITS SCHOOL TAXES; (II) WHEN GIVEN
- 13 TO ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IT SHALL BE PRIOR TO THE
- 14 FIRST DAY OF JANUARY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING, OR IF A LAST DAY FOR
- 15 THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET IS FIXED BY LAW, AT LEAST FORTY-FIVE
- 16 DAYS PRIOR TO SUCH LAST DAY; OR
- 17 (2) UNLESS THE FIRST TAXING BODY SHALL INDICATE BY
- 18 APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION ITS DESIRE TO WAIVE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS
- 19 IN WHICH CASE THE LEVY OF THE SECOND TAXING BODY SHALL BECOME
- 20 EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS MAY BE AGREED UPON BY THE TWO TAXING
- 21 BODIES.
- 22 IT IS THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THIS PROVISION TO LIMIT RATES
- 23 OF TAXES REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION SO THAT THE ENTIRE BURDEN
- 24 OF ONE TAX ON A PERSON, SUBJECT, BUSINESS, TRANSACTION OR
- 25 PRIVILEGE SHALL NOT EXCEED THE LIMITATIONS PRESCRIBED IN THIS
- 26 SECTION: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT ANY TWO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
- 27 WHICH IMPOSE ANY ONE OF THE ABOVE TAXES, ON THE SAME PERSON,
- 28 SUBJECT, BUSINESS, TRANSACTION OR PRIVILEGE DURING THE SAME YEAR
- 29 OR PART OF THE SAME YEAR MAY AGREE AMONG THEMSELVES THAT,
- 30 INSTEAD OF LIMITING THEIR RESPECTIVE RATES TO ONE-HALF OF THE

- 1 MAXIMUM RATE HEREIN PROVIDED, THEY WILL IMPOSE RESPECTIVELY
- 2 DIFFERENT RATES, THE TOTAL OF WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM
- 3 RATE AS ABOVE PERMITTED.
- 4 NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, ANY CITY OF
- 5 THE SECOND CLASS A MAY ENACT A TAX UPON WAGES, SALARIES,
- 6 COMMISSIONS AND OTHER EARNED INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS RESIDENT
- 7 THEREIN, NOT EXCEEDING ONE PERCENT, EVEN THOUGH A SCHOOL
- 8 DISTRICT LEVIES A SIMILAR TAX ON THE SAME PERSON PROVIDED THAT
- 9 THE AGGREGATE OF BOTH TAXES DOES NOT EXCEED TWO PERCENT. IN THE
- 10 CASE OF DUPLICATION OF EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES BY
- 11 BOTH A SCHOOL DISTRICT, OTHER THAN A SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE
- 12 FIRST CLASS A, AND ANOTHER TAXING BODY, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
- 13 SHARE OF THE TAX SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF A TAX ON THE
- 14 PRIVILEGE OF ENGAGING IN AN OCCUPATION COLLECTED BY THE SCHOOL
- 15 DISTRICT AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PARAGRAPH. IN THE CASE
- 16 WHERE A SCHOOL DISTRICT DID NOT LEVY A TAX ON THE PRIVILEGE OF
- 17 ENGAGING IN AN OCCUPATION ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
- 18 PARAGRAPH, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY IMPOSE A FUTURE LEVY NOT TO
- 19 EXCEED FIVE DOLLARS (\$5). A SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS A
- 20 SHALL NOT LEVY, ASSESS OR COLLECT AN EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL
- 21 SERVICES TAX.
- 22 SECTION 13. SECTION 9 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 12, 1968
- 23 (P.L.1203, NO.377), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 24 [SECTION 9. REGISTER FOR EARNED INCOME AND OCCUPATIONAL
- 25 PRIVILEGE TAXES.--IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 26 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS TO HAVE AVAILABLE AN OFFICIAL CONTINUING
- 27 REGISTER SUPPLEMENTED ANNUALLY OF ALL EARNED INCOME AND
- 28 OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAXES LEVIED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT.
- 29 THE REGISTER AND ITS SUPPLEMENTS, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE
- 30 REGISTER, SHALL LIST SUCH JURISDICTIONS LEVYING EARNED INCOME

- 1 AND/OR OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAXES, THE RATE OF THE TAX AS
- 2 STATED IN THE TAX LEVYING ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, AND THE
- 3 EFFECTIVE RATE ON RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT TAXPAYERS, IF
- 4 DIFFERENT FROM THE STATED RATE BECAUSE OF A COTERMINOUS LEVY,
- 5 THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR
- 6 ADMINISTERING THE COLLECTION OF THE TAX AND FROM WHOM
- 7 INFORMATION, FORMS FOR REPORTING AND COPIES OF RULES AND
- 8 REGULATIONS ARE AVAILABLE. WITH EACH JURISDICTION LISTED, ALL
- 9 JURISDICTIONS MAKING COTERMINOUS LEVIES SHALL ALSO BE NOTED AND
- 10 THEIR TAX RATES SHOWN.
- 11 INFORMATION FOR THE REGISTER SHALL BE FURNISHED BY THE
- 12 SECRETARY OF EACH TAXING BODY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
- 13 AFFAIRS IN SUCH MANNER AND ON SUCH FORMS AS THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 14 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS MAY PRESCRIBE. THE INFORMATION MUST BE
- 15 RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS BY CERTIFIED
- 16 MAIL NOT LATER THAN MAY 31 OF EACH YEAR TO SHOW NEW TAX
- 17 ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND CHANGES. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS
- 18 DATE FOR FILING MAY RESULT IN THE OMISSION OF THE LEVY FROM THE
- 19 REGISTER FOR THAT YEAR. FAILURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
- 20 AFFAIRS TO RECEIVE INFORMATION OF TAXES CONTINUED WITHOUT CHANGE
- 21 MAY BE CONSTRUED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO MEAN THAT THE INFORMATION
- 22 CONTAINED IN THE PREVIOUS REGISTER REMAINS IN FORCE.
- 23 THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS SHALL HAVE THE REGISTER
- 24 WITH SUCH ANNUAL SUPPLEMENTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY NEW TAX
- 25 ENACTMENTS, REPEALS OR CHANGES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST NOT LATER
- 26 THAN JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR. THE EFFECTIVE PERIOD FOR EACH REGISTER
- 27 SHALL BE FROM JULY 1 OF THE YEAR IN WHICH IT IS ISSUED TO JUNE
- 28 30 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR.
- 29 EMPLOYERS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED BY ANY LOCAL ORDINANCE TO
- 30 WITHHOLD FROM THE WAGES, SALARIES, COMMISSIONS OR OTHER

- 1 COMPENSATION OF THEIR EMPLOYES ANY TAX IMPOSED UNDER THE
- 2 PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, WHICH IS NOT LISTED IN THE REGISTER, OR
- 3 MAKE REPORTS OF WAGES, SALARIES, COMMISSIONS OR OTHER
- 4 COMPENSATION IN CONNECTION WITH TAXES NOT SO LISTED: PROVIDED,
- 5 THAT IF THE REGISTER IS NOT AVAILABLE BY JULY 1, THE REGISTER OF
- 6 THE PREVIOUS YEAR SHALL CONTINUE TEMPORARILY IN EFFECT FOR AN
- 7 ADDITIONAL PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 8 SECTION SHALL NOT AFFECT THE LIABILITY OF ANY TAXPAYER FOR TAXES
- 9 LAWFULLY IMPOSED UNDER THIS ACT.]
- 10 <u>SECTION 312. WITHHOLDING OF OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX.--</u>
- 11 ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS IMPOSING [EARNED INCOME OR]
- 12 OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAXES UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT MAY
- 13 CONTAIN PROVISIONS REQUIRING EMPLOYERS DOING BUSINESS WITHIN THE
- 14 JURISDICTION OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IMPOSING THE TAX TO
- 15 WITHHOLD THE TAX FROM THE COMPENSATION OF THOSE OF THEIR
- 16 EMPLOYES WHO ARE SUBJECT TO THE TAX: PROVIDED, [THAT NO EMPLOYER
- 17 SHALL BE HELD LIABLE FOR FAILURE TO WITHHOLD EARNED INCOME TAXES
- 18 OR FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH WITHHELD TAX MONEY TO A POLITICAL
- 19 SUBDIVISION OTHER THAN THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ENTITLED TO
- 20 RECEIVE SUCH MONEY IF SUCH FAILURE TO WITHHOLD OR SUCH INCORRECT
- 21 TRANSMITTAL OF WITHHELD TAXES ARISES FROM INCORRECT INFORMATION
- 22 AS TO THE EMPLOYE'S PLACE OF RESIDENCE SUBMITTED BY THE EMPLOYE:
- 23 AND PROVIDED FURTHER,] THAT EMPLOYERS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED BY
- 24 ANY LOCAL ORDINANCE TO WITHHOLD FROM COMPENSATION FOR ANY ONE OF
- 25 THEIR EMPLOYES FOR THE OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX MORE THAN ONE
- 26 TIME IN ANY FISCAL PERIOD: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT THE
- 27 OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX SHALL BE APPLICABLE TO EMPLOYMENT IN
- 28 THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND ENDING
- 29 DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, EXCEPT THAT TAXES IMPOSED FOR
- 30 THE FIRST TIME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE FROM THE DATE SPECIFIED IN

- 1 THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, AND THE TAX SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE
- 2 ON A CALENDAR YEAR BASIS.
- 3 SECTION 14. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 4 <u>SECTION 312.1. (RESERVED).</u>
- 5 SECTION 15. SECTION 10 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 1, 2004
- 6 (P.L.1729, NO.222), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 7 SECTION [10] 313. COLLECTION OF TAXES.--(A) ADMINISTRATIVE
- 8 PERSONNEL; JOINT AGREEMENTS.--
- 9 (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN [SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (C)] <u>SECTION</u>
- 10 506, ANY [SUCH] POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO
- 11 PROVIDE BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR THE CREATION OR
- 12 DESIGNATION OF SUCH BUREAUS OR THE APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION
- 13 OF [SUCH OFFICERS, CLERKS, COLLECTORS, PRIVATE AGENCIES OR OTHER
- 14 PERSON AND OTHER ASSISTANTS AND EMPLOYES, EITHER UNDER EXISTING
- 15 DEPARTMENTS, OR OTHERWISE AS MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY,] A
- 16 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR PRIVATE AGENCY FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND
- 17 COLLECTION OF TAXES IMPOSED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT]
- 18 CHAPTER. EACH ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION UNDER THIS SECTION
- 19 AUTHORIZING A PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR PRIVATE AGENCY TO ACT IN
- 20 THE CAPACITY AND WITH THE AUTHORITY OF A TAX COLLECTOR SHALL
- 21 CONTINUE IN FORCE WITHOUT ANNUAL REAUTHORIZATION UNLESS
- 22 OTHERWISE REPEALED OR REVOKED BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 23 <u>UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THIS ACT</u>.
- 24 (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN [SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (C), ANY]
- 25 <u>SECTION 506</u>, POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IMPOSING TAXES UNDER
- 26 AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER ARE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE JOINT
- 27 AGREEMENTS FOR THE COLLECTION OF SUCH TAXES OR ANY OF THEM. THE
- 28 SAME [PERSON OR] BUREAU, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR PRIVATE AGENCY
- 29 MAY BE EMPLOYED BY TWO OR MORE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO COLLECT
- 30 ANY TAXES IMPOSED BY THEM UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER.

- 1 [(B) SINGLE COLLECTOR FOR EARNED INCOME TAXES WHEN CERTAIN
- 2 SCHOOL DISTRICTS IMPOSE SUCH TAXES. -- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN
- 3 SUBSECTION (C), WHENEVER A SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE SECOND, THIRD
- 4 OR FOURTH CLASS SHALL BE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 296,
- 5 ACT OF MARCH 10, 1949 (P.L.30), KNOWN AS THE "PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE
- 6 OF 1949, "ADDED AUGUST 8, 1963 (P.L. 564), AND SUCH SCHOOL
- 7 DISTRICT SHALL LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT OR PROVIDE FOR THE
- 8 LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF A TAX UPON EARNED INCOME,
- 9 SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ALL CITIES, BOROUGHS, TOWNS AND
- 10 TOWNSHIPS WITHIN ITS GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS WHICH LEVY, ASSESS AND
- 11 COLLECT OR PROVIDE FOR THE LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF
- 12 A TAX UPON EARNED INCOME, MAY ON JANUARY 1, 1967, OR AS SOON
- 13 THEREAFTER AS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE LEVYING,
- 14 ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES UPON EARNED INCOME, SELECT
- 15 ONE PERSON OR AGENCY TO COLLECT THE TAXES UPON EARNED INCOME
- 16 IMPOSED BY ALL SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. IN SELECTING SUCH
- 17 PERSON OR AGENCY, EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL SHARE IN THE
- 18 SELECTION UPON A BASIS AGREED UPON BY EACH POLITICAL
- 19 SUBDIVISION, OR IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY AGREEMENT ON THE BASIS OF
- 20 VOTING ACCORDING TO THE PROPORTION THAT THE POPULATION OF EACH
- 21 BEARS TO THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF THE COMBINED COLLECTION
- 22 DISTRICT, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST OFFICIAL FEDERAL CENSUS, AND
- 23 THE MAJORITY OF SUCH VOTES CAST SHALL DETERMINE THE PERSON OR
- 24 AGENCY SELECTED TO COLLECT THE TAXES. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 25 PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT PROHIBIT SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OTHER
- 26 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WHICH LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT OR PROVIDE
- 27 FOR THE LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES UPON EARNED
- 28 INCOME, UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT, FROM SELECTING THE SAME
- 29 PERSON OR AGENCY TO COLLECT SUCH TAX UPON EARNED INCOME IN AN
- 30 AREA LARGER THAN THE GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 1 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 296 OF THE "PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE
- 2 OF 1949."
- 3 (C) SINGLE TAX COLLECTOR IN CERTAIN HOME RULE
- 4 MUNICIPALITY.--IN A MUNICIPALITY HAVING A POPULATION UNDER THE
- 5 2000 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS OF AT LEAST FORTY THOUSAND AND
- 6 LESS THAN NINETY THOUSAND LOCATED IN A SECOND CLASS COUNTY AND
- 7 WHICH MUNICIPALITY HAS ADOPTED A HOME RULE CHARTER UNDER 53
- 8 PA.C.S. PT. III SUBPT. E (RELATING TO HOME RULE AND OPTIONAL
- 9 PLAN GOVERNMENT), THE PERSON OR PERSONS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD
- 10 OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE
- 11 MUNICIPALITY IS LOCATED AS COLLECTOR OR COLLECTORS OF TAXES
- 12 LEVIED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER THIS ACT SHALL ALSO SERVE AS
- 13 THE COLLECTOR OR COLLECTORS OF TAXES LEVIED BY THE MUNICIPALITY
- 14 UNDER THIS ACT.]
- 15 SECTION 16. SECTION 11 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 16 [SECTION 11. AUDITS OF EARNED INCOME TAXES.--EXCEPT IN
- 17 CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH POLITICAL
- 18 SUBDIVISION WHICH LEVIES, ASSESSES AND COLLECTS OR PROVIDES FOR
- 19 THE LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF A TAX UPON EARNED
- 20 INCOME, SHALL PROVIDE FOR NOT LESS THAN ONE EXAMINATION EACH
- 21 YEAR OF THE BOOKS, ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS OF THE INCOME TAX
- 22 COLLECTOR, BY A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, A FIRM OF CERTIFIED
- 23 PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, A COMPETENT INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT,
- 24 OR A FIRM OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS APPOINTED BY THE
- 25 GOVERNING BODY. WHENEVER ONE PERSON OR AGENCY IS SELECTED TO
- 26 COLLECT EARNED INCOME TAXES FOR MORE THAN ONE POLITICAL
- 27 SUBDIVISION, THE BOOKS, ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS OF SUCH PERSON OR
- 28 AGENCY SHALL BE EXAMINED AS PROVIDED ABOVE IN THE CASE OF A TAX
- 29 COLLECTOR FOR EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, EXCEPT THAT THE
- 30 ACCOUNTANT SHALL BE SELECTED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR

- 1 SELECTION OF ONE PERSON OR AGENCY TO COLLECT EARNED INCOME TAXES
- 2 FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 296 OF THE
- 3 "PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF 1949," AND THE CITIES, BOROUGHS, TOWNS
- 4 AND TOWNSHIPS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF SUCH SCHOOL
- 5 DISTRICT. THE REPORTS OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE SENT TO THE
- 6 GOVERNING BODY OR BODIES OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 7 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS EMPLOYING THE ACCOUNTANT. NO FURTHER OR
- 8 ADDITIONAL AUDIT SHALL BE PERFORMED BY ELECTED OR APPOINTED
- 9 AUDITORS. 1
- 10 SECTION 17. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 11 <u>SECTION 314. (RESERVED).</u>
- 12 SECTION 18. SECTION 12 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 13 SECTION [12] 315. AUDITS OF TAXES OTHER THAN EARNED INCOME
- 14 TAXES.--THE BOOKS, ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS OF [PERSONS COLLECTING
- 15 TAXES] TAX COLLECTORS PURSUANT TO THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, OTHER THAN
- 16 TAXES LEVIED, ASSESSED AND COLLECTED UPON EARNED INCOME, SHALL
- 17 BE AUDITED, ADJUSTED AND SETTLED IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW
- 18 FOR THE AUDITING, ADJUSTING AND SETTLING OF ACCOUNTS OF PERSONS
- 19 RECEIVING OR EXPENDING FUNDS OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WHICH
- 20 HAS LEVIED, ASSESSED AND COLLECTED THE TAXES PURSUANT TO THIS
- 21 [ACT] CHAPTER, OTHER THAN TAXES LEVIED, ASSESSED AND COLLECTED
- 22 UPON EARNED INCOME.
- 23 SECTION 19. SECTION 13 OF THE ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 4, 1978
- 24 (P.L.930, NO.177), JULY 9, 1987 (P.L.203, NO.30), DECEMBER 9,
- 25 2002 (P.L.1364, NO.166), APRIL 5, 2004 (P.L.208, NO.24) AND
- 26 NOVEMBER 30, 2004 (P.L.1520, NO.192), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 27 [SECTION 13. EARNED INCOME TAXES. -- ON AND AFTER THE
- 28 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT THE REMAINING PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 29 SECTION SHALL BE INCLUDED IN OR CONSTRUED TO BE A PART OF EACH
- 30 TAX LEVIED AND ASSESSED UPON EARNED INCOME BY ANY POLITICAL

- 1 SUBDIVISION LEVYING AND ASSESSING SUCH TAX PURSUANT TO THIS ACT.
- 2 THE DEFINITIONS CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE EXCLUSIVE FOR
- 3 ANY TAX UPON EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS LEVIED AND ASSESSED
- 4 PURSUANT TO THIS ACT, AND SHALL NOT BE ALTERED OR CHANGED BY ANY
- 5 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LEVYING AND ASSESSING SUCH TAX.
- 6 I. DEFINITIONS
- 7 "ASSOCIATION." A PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, OR ANY
- 8 OTHER UNINCORPORATED GROUP OF TWO OR MORE PERSONS.
- 9 "BUSINESS." AN ENTERPRISE, ACTIVITY, PROFESSION OR ANY OTHER
- 10 UNDERTAKING OF AN UNINCORPORATED NATURE CONDUCTED FOR PROFIT OR
- 11 ORDINARILY CONDUCTED FOR PROFIT WHETHER BY A PERSON,
- 12 PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, OR ANY OTHER ENTITY.
- 13 "CORPORATION." A CORPORATION OR JOINT STOCK ASSOCIATION
- 14 ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE COMMONWEALTH
- 15 OF PENNSYLVANIA, OR ANY OTHER STATE, TERRITORY, FOREIGN COUNTRY
- 16 OR DEPENDENCY.
- 17 "CURRENT YEAR." THE CALENDAR YEAR FOR WHICH THE TAX IS
- 18 LEVIED.
- 19 "DOMICILE." THE PLACE WHERE ONE LIVES AND HAS HIS PERMANENT
- 20 HOME AND TO WHICH HE HAS THE INTENTION OF RETURNING WHENEVER HE
- 21 IS ABSENT. ACTUAL RESIDENCE IS NOT NECESSARILY DOMICILE, FOR
- 22 DOMICILE IS THE FIXED PLACE OF ABODE WHICH, IN THE INTENTION OF
- 23 THE TAXPAYER, IS PERMANENT RATHER THAN TRANSITORY. DOMICILE IS
- 24 THE VOLUNTARILY FIXED PLACE OF HABITATION OF A PERSON, NOT FOR A
- 25 MERE SPECIAL OR LIMITED PURPOSE, BUT WITH THE PRESENT INTENTION
- 26 OF MAKING A PERMANENT HOME, UNTIL SOME EVENT OCCURS TO INDUCE
- 27 HIM TO ADOPT SOME OTHER PERMANENT HOME. IN THE CASE OF
- 28 BUSINESSES, OR ASSOCIATIONS, THE DOMICILE IS THAT PLACE
- 29 CONSIDERED AS THE CENTER OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND THE PLACE WHERE
- 30 ITS FUNCTIONS ARE DISCHARGED.

- 1 "EARNED INCOME." COMPENSATION AS DETERMINED UNDER SECTION 303
- 2 OF THE ACT OF MARCH 4, 1971 (P.L.6, NO.2), KNOWN AS THE "TAX
- 3 REFORM CODE OF 1971," AND REGULATIONS IN 61 PA. CODE PT. I
- 4 SUBPT. B ART. V (RELATING TO PERSONAL INCOME TAX), NOT
- 5 INCLUDING, HOWEVER, WAGES OR COMPENSATION PAID TO INDIVIDUALS ON
- 6 ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE. EMPLOYE BUSINESS EXPENSES ARE ALLOWABLE
- 7 DEDUCTIONS AS DETERMINED UNDER ARTICLE III OF THE "TAX REFORM
- 8 CODE OF 1971." THE AMOUNT OF ANY HOUSING ALLOWANCE PROVIDED TO A
- 9 MEMBER OF THE CLERGY SHALL NOT BE TAXABLE AS EARNED INCOME.
- 10 "INCOME TAX OFFICER OR OFFICER." PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR
- 11 PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED BY GOVERNING BODY TO COLLECT AND
- 12 ADMINISTER THE TAX ON EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS.
- "EMPLOYER." A PERSON, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, CORPORATION,
- 14 INSTITUTION, GOVERNMENTAL BODY OR UNIT OR AGENCY, OR ANY OTHER
- 15 ENTITY EMPLOYING ONE OR MORE PERSONS FOR A SALARY, WAGE,
- 16 COMMISSION OR OTHER COMPENSATION.
- 17 "NET PROFITS." THE NET INCOME FROM THE OPERATION OF A
- 18 BUSINESS, PROFESSION, OR OTHER ACTIVITY, EXCEPT CORPORATIONS,
- 19 DETERMINED UNDER SECTION 303 OF THE ACT OF MARCH 4, 1971 (P.L.6,
- 20 NO.2), KNOWN AS THE "TAX REFORM CODE OF 1971," AND REGULATIONS
- 21 IN 61 PA. CODE PT. I SUBPT. B ART. V (RELATING TO PERSONAL
- 22 INCOME TAX). THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE INCOME WHICH IS NOT PAID
- 23 FOR SERVICES PROVIDED AND WHICH IS IN THE NATURE OF EARNINGS
- 24 FROM AN INVESTMENT. FOR TAXPAYERS ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS,
- 25 PROFESSION OR ACTIVITY OF FARMING, THE TERM SHALL NOT INCLUDE:
- 26 (1) ANY INTEREST EARNINGS GENERATED FROM ANY MONETARY
- 27 ACCOUNTS OR INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS OF THE FARMING BUSINESS;
- 28 (2) ANY GAIN ON THE SALE OF FARM MACHINERY;
- 29 (3) ANY GAIN ON THE SALE OF LIVESTOCK HELD TWELVE MONTHS OR
- 30 MORE FOR DRAFT, BREEDING OR DAIRY PURPOSES; AND

- 1 (4) ANY GAIN ON THE SALE OF OTHER CAPITAL ASSETS OF THE
- 2 FARM.
- 3 "NONRESIDENT." A PERSON, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION OR OTHER
- 4 ENTITY DOMICILED OUTSIDE THE TAXING DISTRICT.
- 5 "PERSON OR INDIVIDUAL." A NATURAL PERSON.
- 6 "PRECEDING YEAR." THE CALENDAR YEAR BEFORE THE CURRENT YEAR.
- 7 "RESIDENT." A PERSON, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION OR OTHER
- 8 ENTITY DOMICILED IN THE TAXING DISTRICT.
- 9 "SUCCEEDING YEAR." THE CALENDAR YEAR FOLLOWING THE CURRENT
- 10 YEAR.
- 11 "TAXPAYER." A PERSON, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, OR ANY OTHER
- 12 ENTITY, REQUIRED HEREUNDER TO FILE A RETURN OF EARNED INCOME OR
- 13 NET PROFITS, OR TO PAY A TAX THEREON.
- 14 II. IMPOSITION OF TAX
- 15 THE TAX LEVIED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE APPLICABLE TO EARNED
- 16 INCOME RECEIVED AND TO NET PROFITS EARNED IN THE PERIOD
- 17 BEGINNING JANUARY 1, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND ENDING DECEMBER
- 18 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR OR FOR TAXPAYER FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING
- 19 IN THE CURRENT YEAR, EXCEPT THAT TAXES IMPOSED FOR THE FIRST
- 20 TIME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE FROM THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE
- 21 ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, AND THE TAX SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE ON
- 22 A CALENDAR YEAR OR TAXPAYER FISCAL YEAR BASIS, WITHOUT ANNUAL
- 23 REENACTMENT, UNLESS THE RATE OF THE TAX IS SUBSEQUENTLY CHANGED.
- 24 CHANGES IN RATE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN
- 25 THE ORDINANCE.
- 26 III. DECLARATION AND PAYMENT OF TAX
- A. NET PROFITS.
- 28 (1) EVERY TAXPAYER MAKING NET PROFITS SHALL, AS THE
- 29 GOVERNING BODY ELECTS, (I) PAY TO THE OFFICER AN ANNUAL PAYMENT
- 30 OF TAX DUE ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR FOR THE

- 1 PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, OF THE
- 2 CURRENT YEAR, OR (II) ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, OF THE CURRENT
- 3 YEAR, MAKE AND FILE WITH THE OFFICER ON A FORM PRESCRIBED OR
- 4 APPROVED BY THE OFFICER, A DECLARATION OF HIS ESTIMATED NET
- 5 PROFITS DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, AND ENDING
- 6 DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND PAY TO THE OFFICER IN FOUR
- 7 EQUAL QUARTERLY INSTALLMENTS THE TAX DUE THEREON AS FOLLOWS: THE
- 8 FIRST INSTALLMENT AT THE TIME OF FILING THE DECLARATION, AND THE
- 9 OTHER INSTALLMENTS ON OR BEFORE JUNE 15, OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 10 SEPTEMBER 15, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND JANUARY 15, OF THE
- 11 SUCCEEDING YEAR, RESPECTIVELY.
- 12 (2) WHERE THE GOVERNING BODY ELECTS TO REQUIRE THE FILING OF
- 13 A DECLARATION AND QUARTERLY PAYMENTS, ANY TAXPAYER WHO FIRST
- 14 ANTICIPATES ANY NET PROFIT AFTER APRIL 15, OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 15 SHALL MAKE AND FILE THE DECLARATION HEREINABOVE REQUIRED ON OR
- 16 BEFORE JUNE 15, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SEPTEMBER 15, OF THE
- 17 CURRENT YEAR, OR DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, WHICHEVER OF
- 18 THESE DATES NEXT FOLLOWS THE DATE ON WHICH THE TAXPAYER FIRST
- 19 ANTICIPATES SUCH NET PROFIT, AND PAY TO THE OFFICER IN EQUAL
- 20 INSTALLMENTS THE TAX DUE THEREON ON OR BEFORE THE QUARTERLY
- 21 PAYMENT DATES WHICH REMAIN AFTER THE FILING OF THE DECLARATION.
- 22 (3) WHERE THE GOVERNING BODY REQUIRES A DECLARATION OF
- 23 ESTIMATED NET PROFITS AND QUARTERLY PAYMENTS OF TAX DUE ON SUCH
- 24 PROFITS, EVERY TAXPAYER SHALL, ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, OF THE
- 25 SUCCEEDING YEAR, MAKE AND FILE WITH THE OFFICER ON A FORM
- 26 PRESCRIBED OR APPROVED BY THE OFFICER A FINAL RETURN SHOWING THE
- 27 AMOUNT OF NET PROFITS EARNED DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY
- 28 1, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT
- 29 YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX DUE THEREON AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT
- 30 OF TAX PAID THEREON. AT THE TIME OF FILING THE FINAL RETURN, THE

- 1 TAXPAYER SHALL PAY TO THE OFFICER THE BALANCE OF TAX DUE OR
- 2 SHALL MAKE DEMAND FOR REFUND OR CREDIT IN THE CASE OF
- 3 OVERPAYMENT.
- 4 ANY TAXPAYER MAY, IN LIEU OF PAYING THE FOURTH QUARTERLY
- 5 INSTALLMENT OF HIS ESTIMATED TAX, ELECT TO MAKE AND FILE WITH
- 6 THE OFFICER ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR, THE
- 7 FINAL RETURN AS HEREINABOVE REQUIRED.
- 8 (4) THE OFFICER MAY BE AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE BY REGULATION
- 9 FOR THE MAKING AND FILING OF ADJUSTED DECLARATIONS OF ESTIMATED
- 10 NET PROFITS, AND FOR THE PAYMENTS OF THE ESTIMATED TAX IN CASES
- 11 WHERE A TAXPAYER WHO HAS FILED THE DECLARATION HEREINABOVE
- 12 REQUIRED ANTICIPATES ADDITIONAL NET PROFITS NOT PREVIOUSLY
- 13 DECLARED OR FINDS THAT HE HAS OVERESTIMATED HIS ANTICIPATED NET
- 14 PROFITS.
- 15 (5) EVERY TAXPAYER WHO DISCONTINUES BUSINESS PRIOR TO
- 16 DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SHALL, WITHIN THIRTY DAYS
- 17 AFTER THE DISCONTINUANCE OF BUSINESS, FILE HIS FINAL RETURN AS
- 18 HEREINABOVE REQUIRED AND PAY THE TAX DUE.
- B. EARNED INCOME.
- 20 ANNUAL EARNED INCOME TAX RETURN.
- 21 AT THE ELECTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY EVERY TAXPAYER SHALL,
- 22 ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR, MAKE AND FILE
- 23 WITH THE OFFICER ON A FORM PRESCRIBED OR APPROVED BY THE OFFICER
- 24 A FINAL RETURN SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF EARNED INCOME RECEIVED
- 25 DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND
- 26 ENDING DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX
- 27 DUE THEREON, THE AMOUNT OF TAX PAID THEREON, THE AMOUNT OF TAX
- 28 THEREON THAT HAS BEEN WITHHELD PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS
- 29 RELATING TO THE COLLECTION AT SOURCE AND THE BALANCE OF TAX DUE.
- 30 AT THE TIME OF FILING THE FINAL RETURN, THE TAXPAYER SHALL PAY

- 1 THE BALANCE OF THE TAX DUE OR SHALL MAKE DEMAND FOR REFUND OR
- 2 CREDIT IN THE CASE OF OVERPAYMENT.
- 3 EARNED INCOME NOT SUBJECT TO WITHHOLDING.
- 4 EVERY TAXPAYER WHO IS EMPLOYED FOR A SALARY, WAGE,
- 5 COMMISSION, OR OTHER COMPENSATION AND WHO RECEIVED ANY EARNED
- 6 INCOME NOT SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO COLLECTION AT
- 7 SOURCE, SHALL AS THE GOVERNING BODY ELECTS:
- 8 (1) MAKE AND FILE WITH THE OFFICER ON A FORM PRESCRIBED OR
- 9 APPROVED BY THE OFFICER, AN ANNUAL RETURN SETTING FORTH THE
- 10 AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF EARNED INCOME NOT SUBJECT TO WITHHOLDING
- 11 FROM HIM DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, AND ENDING
- 12 DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS
- 13 THE OFFICER MAY REQUIRE, AND PAY TO THE OFFICER THE AMOUNT OF
- 14 TAX SHOWN AS DUE THEREON ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, OF THE
- 15 SUCCEEDING YEAR, OR
- 16 (2) MAKE AND FILE WITH THE OFFICER ON A FORM PRESCRIBED OR
- 17 APPROVED BY THE OFFICER, A QUARTERLY RETURN ON OR BEFORE APRIL
- 18 30, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, JULY 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, OCTOBER
- 19 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND JANUARY 31, OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR,
- 20 SETTING FORTH THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF EARNED INCOME NOT SUBJECT
- 21 TO WITHHOLDING BY HIM DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIODS ENDING
- 22 MARCH 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, JUNE 30, OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 23 SEPTEMBER 30, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND DECEMBER 31, OF THE
- 24 CURRENT YEAR, RESPECTIVELY, AND SUBJECT TO THE TAX, TOGETHER
- 25 WITH SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS THE OFFICER MAY REQUIRE. EVERY
- 26 TAXPAYER MAKING SUCH RETURN SHALL, AT THE TIME OF FILING
- 27 THEREOF, PAY TO THE OFFICER THE AMOUNT OF TAX SHOWN AS DUE
- 28 THEREON.
- 29 IV. COLLECTION AT SOURCE
- 30 (A) EVERY EMPLOYER HAVING AN OFFICE, FACTORY, WORKSHOP,

- 1 BRANCH, WAREHOUSE, OR OTHER PLACE OF BUSINESS WITHIN THE TAXING
- 2 JURISDICTION IMPOSING A TAX ON EARNED INCOME OR NET PROFITS
- 3 WITHIN THE TAXING DISTRICT WHO EMPLOYS ONE OR MORE PERSONS,
- 4 OTHER THAN DOMESTIC SERVANTS, FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION OR
- 5 OTHER COMPENSATION, WHO HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED, SHALL,
- 6 WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS AFTER BECOMING AN EMPLOYER, REGISTER WITH
- 7 THE OFFICER HIS NAME AND ADDRESS AND SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS
- 8 THE OFFICER MAY REQUIRE.
- 9 (B) EVERY EMPLOYER HAVING AN OFFICE, FACTORY, WORKSHOP,
- 10 BRANCH, WAREHOUSE, OR OTHER PLACE OF BUSINESS WITHIN THE TAXING
- 11 JURISDICTION IMPOSING A TAX ON EARNED INCOME OR NET PROFITS
- 12 WITHIN THE TAXING DISTRICT WHO EMPLOYS ONE OR MORE PERSONS,
- 13 OTHER THAN DOMESTIC SERVANTS, FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION, OR
- 14 OTHER COMPENSATION, SHALL DEDUCT AT THE TIME OF PAYMENT THEREOF,
- 15 THE TAX IMPOSED BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ON THE EARNED INCOME
- 16 DUE TO HIS EMPLOYE OR EMPLOYES, AND SHALL, ON OR BEFORE APRIL
- 17 30, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, JULY 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, OCTOBER
- 18 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND JANUARY 31, OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR,
- 19 FILE A RETURN AND PAY TO THE OFFICER THE AMOUNT OF TAXES
- 20 DEDUCTED DURING THE PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIODS ENDING MARCH
- 21 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, JUNE 30, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SEPTEMBER
- 22 30, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 23 RESPECTIVELY. SUCH RETURN UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED UPON BETWEEN
- 24 THE OFFICER AND EMPLOYER SHALL SHOW THE NAME AND SOCIAL SECURITY
- 25 NUMBER OF EACH SUCH EMPLOYE, THE EARNED INCOME OF SUCH EMPLOYE
- 26 DURING SUCH PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD, THE TAX DEDUCTED
- 27 THEREFROM, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IMPOSING THE TAX UPON SUCH
- 28 EMPLOYE, THE TOTAL EARNED INCOME OF ALL SUCH EMPLOYES DURING
- 29 SUCH PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD, AND THE TOTAL TAX DEDUCTED
- 30 THEREFROM AND PAID WITH THE RETURN.

- 1 ANY EMPLOYER WHO FOR TWO OF THE PRECEDING FOUR QUARTERLY
- 2 PERIODS HAS FAILED TO DEDUCT THE PROPER TAX, OR ANY PART
- 3 THEREOF, OR HAS FAILED TO PAY OVER THE PROPER AMOUNT OF TAX TO
- 4 THE TAXING AUTHORITY, MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE OFFICER TO FILE HIS
- 5 RETURN AND PAY THE TAX MONTHLY. IN SUCH CASES, PAYMENTS OF TAX
- 6 SHALL BE MADE TO THE OFFICER ON OR BEFORE THE LAST DAY OF THE
- 7 MONTH SUCCEEDING THE MONTH FOR WHICH THE TAX WAS WITHHELD.
- 8 (C) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR, EVERY
- 9 EMPLOYER SHALL FILE WITH THE OFFICER:
- 10 (1) AN ANNUAL RETURN SHOWING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF EARNED
- 11 INCOME PAID, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX DEDUCTED, AND THE TOTAL
- 12 AMOUNT OF TAX PAID TO THE OFFICER FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING
- 13 JANUARY 1, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, OF THE
- 14 CURRENT YEAR.
- 15 (2) A RETURN WITHHOLDING STATEMENT FOR EACH EMPLOYE EMPLOYED
- 16 DURING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, OF THE
- 17 CURRENT YEAR, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 18 SETTING FORTH THE EMPLOYE'S NAME, ADDRESS AND SOCIAL SECURITY
- 19 NUMBER, THE AMOUNT OF EARNED INCOME PAID TO THE EMPLOYE DURING
- 20 SAID PERIOD, THE AMOUNT OF TAX DEDUCTED, THE POLITICAL
- 21 SUBDIVISIONS IMPOSING THE TAX UPON SUCH EMPLOYE, THE AMOUNT OF
- 22 TAX PAID TO THE OFFICER. EVERY EMPLOYER SHALL FURNISH TWO COPIES
- 23 OF THE INDIVIDUAL RETURN TO THE EMPLOYE FOR WHOM IT IS FILED.
- 24 (D) EVERY EMPLOYER WHO DISCONTINUES BUSINESS PRIOR TO
- 25 DECEMBER 31, OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SHALL, WITHIN THIRTY DAYS
- 26 AFTER THE DISCONTINUANCE OF BUSINESS, FILE THE RETURNS AND
- 27 WITHHOLDING STATEMENTS HEREINABOVE REQUIRED AND PAY THE TAX DUE.
- 28 (E) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 9, EVERY
- 29 EMPLOYER WHO WILFULLY OR NEGLIGENTLY FAILS OR OMITS TO MAKE THE
- 30 DEDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION SHALL BE LIABLE FOR PAYMENT

- 1 OF THE TAXES WHICH HE WAS REQUIRED TO WITHHOLD TO THE EXTENT
- 2 THAT SUCH TAXES HAVE NOT BEEN RECOVERED FROM THE EMPLOYE.
- 3 (F) THE FAILURE OR OMISSION OF ANY EMPLOYER TO MAKE THE
- 4 DEDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION SHALL NOT RELIEVE ANY
- 5 EMPLOYE FROM THE PAYMENT OF THE TAX OR FROM COMPLYING WITH THE
- 6 REQUIREMENTS OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
- 7 FILING OF DECLARATIONS AND RETURNS.
- 8 V. POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICER
- 9 (A) IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE OFFICER TO COLLECT AND
- 10 RECEIVE THE TAXES, FINES AND PENALTIES IMPOSED BY THE ORDINANCE
- 11 OR RESOLUTION. IT SHALL ALSO BE HIS DUTY TO KEEP A RECORD
- 12 SHOWING THE AMOUNT RECEIVED BY HIM FROM EACH PERSON OR BUSINESS
- 13 PAYING THE TAX AND THE DATE OF SUCH RECEIPT.
- 14 (B) EACH OFFICER, BEFORE ENTERING UPON HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES
- 15 SHALL GIVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE A BOND TO THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 16 OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS APPOINTING HIM. IF SUCH POLITICAL
- 17 SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS SHALL BY RESOLUTION
- 18 DESIGNATE ANY BOND PREVIOUSLY GIVEN BY THE OFFICER AS ADEQUATE,
- 19 SUCH BOND SHALL BE SUFFICIENT TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
- 20 SUBSECTION.
- 21 EACH SUCH BOND SHALL BE JOINT AND SEVERAL, WITH ONE OR MORE
- 22 CORPORATE SURETIES WHICH SHALL BE SURETY COMPANIES AUTHORIZED TO
- 23 DO BUSINESS IN THIS COMMONWEALTH AND DULY LICENSED BY THE
- 24 INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THIS COMMONWEALTH.
- 25 EACH BOND SHALL BE CONDITIONED UPON THE FAITHFUL DISCHARGE BY
- 26 THE OFFICER, HIS CLERKS, ASSISTANTS AND APPOINTEES OF ALL TRUSTS
- 27 CONFIDED IN HIM BY VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE, UPON THE FAITHFUL
- 28 EXECUTION OF ALL DUTIES REQUIRED OF HIM BY VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE,
- 29 UPON THE JUST AND FAITHFUL ACCOUNTING OR PAYMENT OVER, ACCORDING
- 30 TO LAW, OF ALL MONEYS AND ALL BALANCES THEREOF PAID TO, RECEIVED

- 1 OR HELD BY HIM BY VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE AND UPON THE DELIVERY TO
- 2 HIS SUCCESSOR OR SUCCESSORS IN OFFICE OF ALL BOOKS, PAPERS,
- 3 DOCUMENTS OR OTHER OFFICIAL THINGS HELD IN RIGHT OF HIS OFFICE.
- 4 EACH SUCH BOND SHALL BE TAKEN IN THE NAME OF THE APPOINTING
- 5 AUTHORITY OR AUTHORITIES, AND SHALL BE FOR THE USE OF THE
- 6 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS APPOINTING THE
- 7 OFFICER, AND FOR THE USE OF SUCH OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS FOR
- 8 WHOM MONEY SHALL BE COLLECTED OR RECEIVED, OR AS HIS OR HER
- 9 INTEREST SHALL OTHERWISE APPEAR, IN CASE OF A BREACH OF ANY OF
- 10 THE CONDITIONS THEREOF BY THE ACTS OR NEGLECT OF THE PRINCIPAL
- 11 ON THE BOND.
- 12 THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
- 13 APPOINTING THE OFFICER, OR ANY PERSON MAY SUE UPON THE SAID BOND
- 14 IN ITS OR HIS OWN NAME FOR ITS OR HIS OWN USE.
- 15 EACH SUCH BOND SHALL CONTAIN THE NAME OR NAMES OF THE SURETY
- 16 COMPANY OR COMPANIES BOUND THEREON. THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 17 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS APPOINTING THE OFFICER SHALL FIX THE
- 18 AMOUNT OF THE BOND AT AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF
- 19 TAXES WHICH MAY BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE OFFICER AT ANY GIVEN
- 20 TIME.
- 21 THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
- 22 APPOINTING THE OFFICER MAY, AT ANY TIME, UPON CAUSE SHOWN AND
- 23 DUE NOTICE TO THE OFFICER, AND HIS SURETY OR SURETIES, REQUIRE
- 24 OR ALLOW THE SUBSTITUTION OR THE ADDITION OF A SURETY COMPANY
- 25 ACCEPTABLE TO SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL
- 26 SUBDIVISIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE BOND SUFFICIENT IN
- 27 AMOUNT, WITHOUT RELEASING THE SURETY OR SURETIES FIRST APPROVED
- 28 FROM ANY ACCRUED LIABILITY OR PREVIOUS ACTION ON SUCH BOND.
- THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
- 30 APPOINTING THE OFFICER SHALL DESIGNATE THE CUSTODIAN OF THE BOND

- 1 REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN BY THE OFFICER.
- 2 (C) THE OFFICER CHARGED WITH THE ADMINISTRATION AND
- 3 ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION IS
- 4 HEREBY EMPOWERED TO PRESCRIBE, ADOPT, PROMULGATE AND ENFORCE,
- 5 RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO ANY MATTER PERTAINING TO THE
- 6 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION,
- 7 INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR THE RE-EXAMINATION AND CORRECTION OF
- 8 DECLARATIONS AND RETURNS, AND OF PAYMENTS ALLEGED OR FOUND TO BE
- 9 INCORRECT, OR AS TO WHICH AN OVERPAYMENT IS CLAIMED OR FOUND TO
- 10 HAVE OCCURRED, AND TO MAKE REFUNDS IN CASE OF OVERPAYMENT, FOR
- 11 ANY PERIOD OF TIME NOT TO EXCEED SIX YEARS SUBSEQUENT TO THE
- 12 DATE OF PAYMENT OF THE SUM INVOLVED, AND TO PRESCRIBE FORMS
- 13 NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION.
- 14 NO RULE OR REGULATION OF ANY KIND SHALL BE ENFORCEABLE UNLESS IT
- 15 HAS BEEN APPROVED BY RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNING BODY. A COPY OF
- 16 SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS CURRENTLY IN FORCE SHALL BE AVAILABLE
- 17 FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.
- 18 (D) THE OFFICER SHALL REFUND, ON PETITION OF, AND PROOF BY
- 19 THE TAXPAYER, EARNED INCOME TAX PAID ON THE TAXPAYER'S ORDINARY
- 20 AND NECESSARY BUSINESS EXPENSES, TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH
- 21 EXPENSES ARE NOT PAID BY THE TAXPAYER'S EMPLOYER.
- 22 (E) THE OFFICER AND AGENTS DESIGNATED BY HIM ARE HEREBY
- 23 AUTHORIZED TO EXAMINE THE BOOKS, PAPERS, AND RECORDS OF ANY
- 24 EMPLOYER OR OF ANY TAXPAYER OR OF ANY PERSON WHOM THE OFFICER
- 25 REASONABLY BELIEVES TO BE AN EMPLOYER OR TAXPAYER, IN ORDER TO
- 26 VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF ANY DECLARATION OR RETURN, OR IF NO
- 27 DECLARATION OR RETURN WAS FILED, TO ASCERTAIN THE TAX DUE. EVERY
- 28 EMPLOYER AND EVERY TAXPAYER AND EVERY PERSON WHOM THE OFFICER
- 29 REASONABLY BELIEVES TO BE AN EMPLOYER OR TAXPAYER, IS HEREBY
- 30 DIRECTED AND REQUIRED TO GIVE TO THE OFFICER, OR TO ANY AGENT

- 1 DESIGNATED BY HIM, THE MEANS, FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITY FOR
- 2 SUCH EXAMINATION AND INVESTIGATIONS, AS ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED.
- 3 (F) ANY INFORMATION GAINED BY THE OFFICER, HIS AGENTS, OR BY
- 4 ANY OTHER OFFICIAL OR AGENT OF THE TAXING DISTRICT, AS A RESULT
- 5 OF ANY DECLARATIONS, RETURNS, INVESTIGATIONS, HEARINGS OR
- 6 VERIFICATIONS REQUIRED OR AUTHORIZED BY THE ORDINANCE OR
- 7 RESOLUTION, SHALL BE CONFIDENTIAL, EXCEPT FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES
- 8 AND EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PROPER JUDICIAL ORDER, OR AS
- 9 OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW.
- 10 (G) THE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO ESTABLISH DIFFERENT FILING,
- 11 REPORTING AND PAYMENT DATES FOR TAXPAYERS WHOSE FISCAL YEARS DO
- 12 NOT COINCIDE WITH THE CALENDAR YEAR.
- 13 (H) THE OFFICER SHALL DISTRIBUTE EARNED INCOME TAXES TO THE
- 14 APPROPRIATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF THE
- 15 DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT BY AN EMPLOYER AS SET FORTH IN DIVISION
- 16 IV(B). THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO
- 17 REQUEST THE OFFICER TO DISTRIBUTE THE FUNDS COLLECTED BUT SHALL
- 18 AT LEAST ANNUALLY RECONCILE THEIR RECEIPTS WITH THE RECORDS OF
- 19 THE OFFICER AND RETURN TO OR CREDIT THE OFFICER WITH ANY
- 20 OVERPAYMENT. A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO
- 21 PAY A FEE OR COMMISSION TO THE OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 22 ITS TAX OFFICER FOR TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED UNDER THIS
- 23 SUBSECTION. IF THE OFFICER, WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER RECEIVING A
- 24 TAX PAYMENT, CANNOT IDENTIFY THE TAXING JURISDICTION ENTITLED TO
- 25 A TAX PAYMENT, HE SHALL MAKE PAYMENT TO THE MUNICIPALITY IN
- 26 WHICH THE TAX WAS COLLECTED. IF EARNED INCOME TAXES ARE NOT
- 27 DISTRIBUTED TO THE APPROPRIATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN ONE
- 28 YEAR OF RECEIPT, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY MAKE A WRITTEN
- 29 DEMAND ON A TAX OFFICER OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR TAX
- 30 REVENUES COLLECTED AND ATTRIBUTABLE TO RESIDENTS OF THE

- 1 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAKING THE DEMAND. IF THE TAXES
- 2 ATTRIBUTABLE TO RESIDENTS OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAKING
- 3 THE DEMAND ARE NOT PAID WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE
- 4 DEMAND, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR
- 5 PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY ENTER
- 6 INTO AN ARBITRATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICER UNDER 42 PA.C.S.
- 7 CH. 73 SUBCH. A (RELATING TO STATUTORY ARBITRATION) OR BRING AN
- 8 ACTION IN AN APPROPRIATE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN THE NAME OF
- 9 THE TAXING DISTRICT FOR THE RECOVERY OF TAXES NOT DISTRIBUTED IN
- 10 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION. THE ACTION MUST BE BROUGHT
- 11 WITHIN SEVEN YEARS OF THE COLLECTION OF THE TAXES.
- 12 VI. COMPENSATION OF INCOME TAX OFFICER
- 13 THE INCOME TAX OFFICER SHALL RECEIVE SUCH COMPENSATION FOR
- 14 HIS SERVICES AND EXPENSES AS DETERMINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY.
- 15 IN THE CASE OF A SINGLE COLLECTOR ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO
- 16 SUBSECTION (B) OF SECTION 10 OF THIS ACT, THE TAXING
- 17 JURISDICTIONS SHALL SHARE IN THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF A
- 18 SINGLE OFFICER ACCORDING TO THE PROPORTIONATE SHARE THAT THE
- 19 TOTAL ANNUAL COLLECTIONS FOR EACH JURISDICTION BEARS TO THE
- 20 TOTAL ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR ALL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN A
- 21 SINGLE COLLECTOR DISTRICT, EXCEPT THAT WITH THE AGREEMENT OF
- 22 TWO-THIRDS OF ALL PARTICIPATING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, A
- 23 DIFFERENT MANNER OF SHARING MAY BE SUBSTITUTED.
- 24 VII. SUIT FOR COLLECTION OF TAX
- 25 (A) THE OFFICER MAY SUE IN THE NAME OF THE TAXING DISTRICT
- 26 FOR THE RECOVERY OF TAXES DUE AND UNPAID UNDER THIS ORDINANCE.
- 27 (B) ANY SUIT BROUGHT TO RECOVER THE TAX IMPOSED BY THE
- 28 ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION SHALL BE BEGUN WITHIN THREE YEARS AFTER
- 29 SUCH TAX IS DUE, OR WITHIN THREE YEARS AFTER THE DECLARATION OR
- 30 RETURN HAS BEEN FILED, WHICHEVER DATE IS LATER: PROVIDED,

- 1 HOWEVER, THAT THIS LIMITATION SHALL NOT PREVENT THE INSTITUTION
- 2 OF A SUIT FOR THE COLLECTION OF ANY TAX DUE OR DETERMINED TO BE
- 3 DUE IN THE FOLLOWING CASES:
- 4 (1) WHERE NO DECLARATION OR RETURN WAS FILED BY ANY PERSON
- 5 ALTHOUGH A DECLARATION OR RETURN WAS REQUIRED TO BE FILED BY HIM
- 6 UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, THERE SHALL BE
- 7 NO LIMITATION.
- 8 (2) WHERE AN EXAMINATION OF THE DECLARATION OR RETURN FILED
- 9 BY ANY PERSON, OR OF OTHER EVIDENCE RELATING TO SUCH DECLARATION
- 10 OR RETURN IN THE POSSESSION OF THE OFFICER, REVEALS A FRAUDULENT
- 11 EVASION OF TAXES, THERE SHALL BE NO LIMITATION.
- 12 (3) IN THE CASE OF SUBSTANTIAL UNDERSTATEMENT OF TAX
- 13 LIABILITY OF TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OR MORE AND NO FRAUD, SUIT
- 14 SHALL BE BEGUN WITHIN SIX YEARS.
- 15 (4) WHERE ANY PERSON HAS DEDUCTED TAXES UNDER THE PROVISIONS
- 16 OF THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, AND HAS FAILED TO PAY THE
- 17 AMOUNTS SO DEDUCTED TO THE OFFICER, OR WHERE ANY PERSON HAS
- 18 WILFULLY FAILED OR OMITTED TO MAKE THE DEDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY
- 19 THIS SECTION, THERE SHALL BE NO LIMITATION.
- 20 (5) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE
- 21 GOVERNING BODY FROM RECOVERING DELINQUENT TAXES BY ANY OTHER
- 22 MEANS PROVIDED BY THIS ACT.
- 23 (C) THE OFFICER MAY SUE FOR RECOVERY OF AN ERRONEOUS REFUND
- 24 PROVIDED SUCH SUIT IS BEGUN TWO YEARS AFTER MAKING SUCH REFUND,
- 25 EXCEPT THAT THE SUIT MAY BE BROUGHT WITHIN FIVE YEARS IF IT
- 26 APPEARS THAT ANY PART OF THE REFUND WAS INDUCED BY FRAUD OR
- 27 MISREPRESENTATION OF MATERIAL FACT.
- VIII. INTEREST AND PENALTIES
- 29 (A) IF FOR ANY REASON THE TAX IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE, INTEREST
- 30 AT THE RATE OF SIX PERCENT PER ANNUM ON THE AMOUNT OF SAID TAX,

- 1 AND AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY OF ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT OF THE
- 2 AMOUNT OF THE UNPAID TAX FOR EACH MONTH OR FRACTION THEREOF
- 3 DURING WHICH THE TAX REMAINS UNPAID, SHALL BE ADDED AND
- 4 COLLECTED. WHERE SUIT IS BROUGHT FOR THE RECOVERY OF ANY SUCH
- 5 TAX, THE PERSON LIABLE THEREFOR SHALL, IN ADDITION, BE LIABLE
- 6 FOR THE COSTS OF COLLECTION AND THE INTEREST AND PENALTIES
- 7 HEREIN IMPOSED.
- 8 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (A), THE
- 9 GOVERNING BODY MAY, BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, ESTABLISH A ONE-
- 10 TIME PERIOD DURING WHICH INTEREST OR INTEREST AND PENALTIES THAT
- 11 WOULD OTHERWISE BE IMPOSED FOR THE NONREPORTING OR
- 12 UNDERREPORTING OF EARNED INCOME TAX LIABILITIES OR FOR THE
- 13 NONPAYMENT OF EARNED INCOME TAXES PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED AND DUE
- 14 SHALL BE WAIVED IN TOTAL OR IN PART IF THE TAXPAYER VOLUNTARILY
- 15 FILES DELINQUENT RETURNS AND PAYS THE TAXES IN FULL DURING THE
- 16 PERIOD SO ESTABLISHED. EACH GOVERNING BODY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS
- 17 TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- 18 (C) THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) SHALL NOT AFFECT OR
- 19 TERMINATE ANY PETITIONS, INVESTIGATIONS, PROSECUTIONS OR OTHER
- 20 PROCEEDINGS PENDING UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, OR PREVENT
- 21 THE COMMENCEMENT OR FURTHER PROSECUTION OF ANY PROCEEDINGS BY
- 22 THE PROPER AUTHORITIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT. NO
- 23 PROCEEDINGS SHALL, HOWEVER, BE COMMENCED ON THE BASIS OF
- 24 DELINQUENT RETURNS FILED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (B) IF THE
- 25 RETURNS ARE DETERMINED TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY TRUE AND CORRECT AND
- 26 THE TAXES ARE PAID IN FULL WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED TIME.
- 27 IX. FINES AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION
- OF ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS
- 29 (A) ANY PERSON WHO FAILS, NEGLECTS, OR REFUSES TO MAKE ANY
- 30 DECLARATION OR RETURN REQUIRED BY THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION,

- 1 ANY EMPLOYER WHO FAILS, NEGLECTS OR REFUSES TO REGISTER OR TO
- 2 PAY THE TAX DEDUCTED FROM HIS EMPLOYES, OR FAILS, NEGLECTS OR
- 3 REFUSES TO DEDUCT OR WITHHOLD THE TAX FROM HIS EMPLOYES, ANY
- 4 PERSON WHO REFUSES TO PERMIT THE OFFICER OR ANY AGENT DESIGNATED
- 5 BY HIM TO EXAMINE HIS BOOKS, RECORDS, AND PAPERS, AND ANY PERSON
- 6 WHO KNOWINGLY MAKES ANY INCOMPLETE, FALSE OR FRAUDULENT RETURN,
- 7 OR ATTEMPTS TO DO ANYTHING WHATSOEVER TO AVOID THE FULL
- 8 DISCLOSURE OF THE AMOUNT OF HIS NET PROFITS OR EARNED INCOME IN
- 9 ORDER TO AVOID THE PAYMENT OF THE WHOLE OR ANY PART OF THE TAX
- 10 IMPOSED BY THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, SHALL, UPON CONVICTION
- 11 THEREOF BEFORE ANY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, ALDERMAN OR MAGISTRATE,
- 12 OR COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION IN THE COUNTY OR COUNTIES IN
- 13 WHICH THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IMPOSING THE TAX IS LOCATED, BE
- 14 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS
- 15 (\$500) FOR EACH OFFENSE, AND COSTS, AND, IN DEFAULT OF PAYMENT
- 16 OF SAID FINE AND COSTS TO BE IMPRISONED FOR A PERIOD NOT
- 17 EXCEEDING THIRTY DAYS.
- 18 (B) ANY PERSON WHO DIVULGES ANY INFORMATION WHICH IS
- 19 CONFIDENTIAL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE OR
- 20 RESOLUTION, SHALL, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF BEFORE ANY JUSTICE OF
- 21 THE PEACE, ALDERMAN OR MAGISTRATE, OR COURT OF COMPETENT
- 22 JURISDICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE
- 23 HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500) FOR EACH OFFENSE, AND COSTS, AND, IN
- 24 DEFAULT OF PAYMENT OF SAID FINES AND COSTS TO BE IMPRISONED FOR
- 25 A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING THIRTY DAYS.
- 26 (C) THE PENALTIES IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE IN
- 27 ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTY IMPOSED BY ANY OTHER SECTION OF
- 28 THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION.
- 29 (D) THE FAILURE OF ANY PERSON TO RECEIVE OR PROCURE FORMS
- 30 REQUIRED FOR MAKING THE DECLARATION OR RETURNS REQUIRED BY THE

- 1 ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION SHALL NOT EXCUSE HIM FROM MAKING SUCH
- 2 DECLARATION OR RETURN.]
- 3 SECTION 20. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 4 <u>SECTION 316. (RESERVED).</u>
- 5 SECTION 21. SECTION 14 OF THE ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 26, 1972
- 6 (P.L.1043, NO.261), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 7 SECTION [14] 317. PAYMENT OF TAX TO OTHER POLITICAL
- 8 SUBDIVISIONS OR STATES AS CREDIT OR DEDUCTION; WITHHOLDING
- 9 TAX.--PAYMENT OF ANY TAX TO ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION PURSUANT
- 10 TO AN ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION PASSED OR ADOPTED PRIOR TO THE
- 11 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS [ACT] <u>SECTION</u> SHALL BE CREDITED TO AND
- 12 ALLOWED AS A DEDUCTION FROM THE LIABILITY OF TAXPAYERS FOR ANY
- 13 LIKE TAX RESPECTIVELY ON SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS, OTHER
- 14 COMPENSATION OR ON NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS OR
- 15 OTHER ACTIVITIES AND FOR ANY INCOME TAX IMPOSED BY ANY OTHER
- 16 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS COMMONWEALTH UNDER THE AUTHORITY
- 17 OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER.
- 18 PAYMENT OF ANY TAX ON SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS, OTHER
- 19 COMPENSATION OR ON NET PROFITS OF BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS OR OTHER
- 20 ACTIVITIES TO A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION BY RESIDENTS THEREOF
- 21 PURSUANT TO AN ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION PASSED OR ADOPTED UNDER
- 22 THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL BE CREDITED TO AND
- 23 ALLOWED AS A DEDUCTION FROM THE LIABILITY OF SUCH PERSONS FOR
- 24 ANY OTHER LIKE TAX RESPECTIVELY ON SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS,
- 25 OTHER COMPENSATION OR ON NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS
- 26 OR OTHER ACTIVITIES IMPOSED BY ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 27 OF THIS COMMONWEALTH UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER.
- 28 PAYMENT OF ANY TAX ON INCOME TO ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION BY
- 29 RESIDENTS THEREOF PURSUANT TO AN ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION PASSED
- 30 OR ADOPTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL, TO

- 1 THE EXTENT THAT SUCH INCOME INCLUDES SALARIES, WAGES,
- 2 COMMISSIONS, OTHER COMPENSATION OR NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES,
- 3 PROFESSIONS OR OTHER ACTIVITIES, BUT IN SUCH PROPORTION AS
- 4 HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, BE CREDITED TO AND ALLOWED AS A DEDUCTION
- 5 FROM THE LIABILITY OF SUCH PERSONS FOR ANY OTHER TAX ON
- 6 SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS, OTHER COMPENSATION OR ON NET
- 7 PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES IMPOSED
- 8 BY ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS COMMONWEALTH UNDER
- 9 THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER.
- 10 PAYMENT OF ANY TAX ON INCOME TO ANY STATE OR TO ANY POLITICAL
- 11 SUBDIVISION THEREOF BY RESIDENTS THEREOF, PURSUANT TO ANY STATE
- 12 OR LOCAL LAW, MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
- 13 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IMPOSING SUCH TAX, TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH
- 14 INCOME INCLUDES SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS, OR OTHER
- 15 COMPENSATION OR NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS OR OTHER
- 16 ACTIVITIES BUT IN SUCH PROPORTIONS AS HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, BE
- 17 CREDITED TO AND ALLOWED AS A DEDUCTION FROM THE LIABILITY OF
- 18 SUCH PERSON FOR ANY OTHER TAX ON SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS,
- 19 OTHER COMPENSATION OR NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS OR
- 20 OTHER ACTIVITIES IMPOSED BY ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS
- 21 COMMONWEALTH UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, IF
- 22 RESIDENTS OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN PENNSYLVANIA RECEIVE
- 23 CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS OF A SIMILAR KIND TO A LIKE DEGREE FROM
- 24 THE TAX ON INCOME IMPOSED BY THE OTHER STATE OR POLITICAL
- 25 SUBDIVISION THEREOF.
- 26 PAYMENT OF ANY TAX ON INCOME TO ANY STATE OTHER THAN
- 27 PENNSYLVANIA OR TO ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LOCATED OUTSIDE THE
- 28 BOUNDARIES OF THIS COMMONWEALTH, BY RESIDENTS OF A POLITICAL
- 29 SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN PENNSYLVANIA SHALL, TO THE EXTENT THAT
- 30 SUCH INCOME INCLUDES SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS, OR OTHER

- 1 COMPENSATION OR NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS OR OTHER
- 2 ACTIVITIES BUT IN SUCH PROPORTIONS AS HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, BE
- 3 CREDITED TO AND ALLOWED AS A DEDUCTION FROM THE LIABILITY OF
- 4 SUCH PERSON FOR ANY OTHER TAX ON SALARIES, WAGES, COMMISSIONS,
- 5 OTHER COMPENSATION OR NET PROFITS OF BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS OR
- 6 OTHER ACTIVITIES IMPOSED BY ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS
- 7 COMMONWEALTH UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER.
- 8 WHERE A CREDIT OR A DEDUCTION IS ALLOWABLE IN ANY OF THE
- 9 SEVERAL CASES HEREINABOVE PROVIDED, IT SHALL BE ALLOWED IN
- 10 PROPORTION TO THE CONCURRENT PERIODS FOR WHICH TAXES ARE IMPOSED
- 11 BY THE OTHER STATE OR RESPECTIVE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, BUT NOT
- 12 IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR A CONCURRENT PERIOD.
- 13 NO CREDIT OR DEDUCTION SHALL BE ALLOWED AGAINST ANY TAX ON
- 14 EARNED INCOME IMPOSED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER TO
- 15 THE EXTENT OF THE AMOUNT OF CREDIT OR DEDUCTION TAKEN FOR THE
- 16 SAME PERIOD BY THE TAXPAYER AGAINST ANY INCOME TAX IMPOSED BY
- 17 THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA UNDER SECTION 314 OF THE ACT OF
- 18 MARCH 4, 1971 (P.L.6) KNOWN AS THE "TAX REFORM CODE OF 1971," ON
- 19 ACCOUNT OF TAXES IMPOSED ON INCOME BY OTHER STATES OR BY THEIR
- 20 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.
- 21 SECTION 22. SECTION 15 OF THE ACT, AMENDED JUNE 27, 1968
- 22 (P.L.271, NO.128), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 23 SECTION [15] 318. PERSONAL PROPERTY.--ANY ASSESSMENT OF A
- 24 TAX ON PERSONAL PROPERTY OF A DECEDENT SHALL INCLUDE ALL
- 25 PROPERTY OWNED, HELD OR POSSESSED BY A DECEDENT, WHICH SHOULD
- 26 HAVE BEEN RETURNED BY HIM FOR TAXATION FOR ANY FORMER YEAR OR
- 27 YEARS NOT EXCEEDING FIVE YEARS PRIOR TO THE YEAR IN WHICH THE
- 28 DECEDENT DIED. WHEREVER ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXABLE UNDER THE
- 29 PROVISIONS OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, WAS OWNED BY A DECEDENT AT THE
- 30 TIME OF HIS DEATH AND IS HELD BY HIS EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR,

- 1 RETURN OF SUCH PERSONAL PROPERTY SHALL BE MADE AND THE TAX PAID,
- 2 IF SUCH DECEDENT WAS DOMICILED AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH IN THE
- 3 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IMPOSING THE TAX, NOTWITHSTANDING THE
- 4 RESIDENCE OR LOCATION OF SUCH EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR OR OF
- 5 ANY BENEFICIARY, OR THE PLACE WHICH SUCH SECURITIES ARE KEPT.
- 6 SECTION 23. SECTIONS 16 AND 17 OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED TO
- 7 READ:
- 8 SECTION [16] 319. LIMITATION ON ASSESSMENT.--NO ASSESSMENT
- 9 MAY BE MADE OF ANY TAX IMPOSED UNDER THIS [ACT] CHAPTER MORE
- 10 THAN FIVE YEARS AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH TAX SHOULD HAVE
- 11 BEEN PAID EXCEPT WHERE A FRAUDULENT RETURN OR NO RETURN HAS BEEN
- 12 FILED.
- 13 SECTION [17] 320. TAX LIMITATIONS.--(A) OVER-ALL LIMIT OF
- 14 TAX REVENUES. -- THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL TAXES IMPOSED BY ANY
- 15 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER THIS SECTION AND IN EFFECT DURING
- 16 ANY FISCAL YEAR SHALL NOT EXCEED AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE PRODUCT
- 17 OBTAINED BY MULTIPLYING THE LATEST TOTAL MARKET VALUATION OF
- 18 REAL ESTATE IN SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, AS DETERMINED BY THE
- 19 BOARD FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND REVISION OF TAXES OR ANY SIMILAR
- 20 BOARD ESTABLISHED BY THE ASSESSMENT LAWS WHICH DETERMINES MARKET
- 21 VALUES OF REAL ESTATE WITHIN THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, BY
- 22 TWELVE MILLS. IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE SECOND CLASS, THIRD
- 23 CLASS AND FOURTH CLASS AND IN ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN A
- 24 COUNTY WHERE NO MARKET VALUES OF REAL ESTATE HAVE BEEN
- 25 DETERMINED BY THE BOARD FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND REVISION OF
- 26 TAXES, OR ANY SIMILAR BOARD, THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL TAXES
- 27 IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION AND IN EFFECT DURING ANY FISCAL YEAR
- 28 SHALL NOT EXCEED AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE PRODUCT OBTAINED BY
- 29 MULTIPLYING THE LATEST TOTAL MARKET VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE IN
- 30 SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, AS

- 1 CERTIFIED BY THE STATE TAX EQUALIZATION BOARD, BY TWELVE MILLS.
- 2 IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE THIRD AND FOURTH CLASS, TAXES IMPOSED
- 3 ON SALES INVOLVING THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE
- 4 INCLUDED IN COMPUTING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF TAXES FOR ANY
- 5 FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH ONE HUNDRED OR MORE NEW HOMES OR OTHER
- 6 MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS ON REAL ESTATE WERE CONSTRUCTED IN THE SCHOOL
- 7 DISTRICT.
- 8 THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL TAXES IMPOSED BY ANY INDEPENDENT
- 9 SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER THIS SECTION DURING ANY FISCAL YEAR SHALL
- 10 NOT EXCEED AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE PRODUCT OBTAINED BY
- 11 MULTIPLYING THE LATEST TOTAL VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE IN SUCH
- 12 DISTRICT BY FIFTEEN MILLS.
- 13 (B) REDUCTION OF RATES WHERE TAXES EXCEED LIMITATIONS; USE
- 14 OF EXCESS MONEYS.--IF, DURING ANY FISCAL YEAR, IT SHALL APPEAR
- 15 THAT THE AGGREGATE REVENUES FROM TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED
- 16 UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER WILL MATERIALLY EXCEED
- 17 THE LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THIS [ACT] CHAPTER, THE POLITICAL
- 18 SUBDIVISION SHALL FORTHWITH REDUCE THE RATE OR RATES OF SUCH TAX
- 19 OR TAXES TO STAY WITHIN SUCH LIMITATIONS AS NEARLY AS MAY BE.
- 20 ANY ONE OR MORE PERSONS LIABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES LEVIED
- 21 AND COLLECTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL
- 22 HAVE THE RIGHT TO COMPLAIN TO THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE
- 23 COUNTY IN AN ACTION OF MANDAMUS TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE WITH THE
- 24 PRECEDING PROVISION OF THIS SUBSECTION. TAX MONEYS LEVIED AND
- 25 COLLECTED IN ANY FISCAL YEAR IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATIONS
- 26 IMPOSED BY THIS [ACT] CHAPTER SHALL NOT BE EXPENDED DURING SUCH
- 27 YEAR, BUT SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN A SEPARATE ACCOUNT IN THE
- 28 TREASURY OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR EXPENDITURE IN THE
- 29 FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR. THE RATES OF TAXES IMPOSED UNDER THIS
- 30 [ACT] <u>CHAPTER</u> FOR THE FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE SO FIXED

- 1 THAT THE REVENUES THEREBY PRODUCED, TOGETHER WITH THE EXCESS TAX
- 2 MONEYS ON DEPOSIT AS AFORESAID, SHALL NOT EXCEED THE LIMITATIONS
- 3 IMPOSED BY THIS [ACT] CHAPTER.
- 4 SECTION 23.1. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING SECTIONS TO READ:
- 5 <u>SECTION 329. LEGAL REPRESENTATION.--WHEN BRINGING A SUIT</u>
- 6 UNDER ANY PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER, THE TAXING DISTRICT OR THE
- 7 PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE
- 8 TAXING DISTRICT SHALL BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY.
- 9 <u>SECTION 330. EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES.--ANY</u>
- 10 REFERENCE IN ANY ACT OR LAW TO AN OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX
- 11 SHALL MEAN THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES AS
- 12 PROVIDED FOR IN THIS CHAPTER.
- 13 <u>SECTION 331. RESTRICTED USE.--(A) ANY MUNICIPALITY DERIVING</u>
- 14 FUNDS FROM THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES MAY ONLY
- 15 USE THE FUNDS FOR:
- 16 (1) POLICE, FIRE AND/OR EMERGENCY SERVICES;
- 17 (2) ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND/OR MAINTENANCE; OR
- 18 (3) REDUCTION OF PROPERTY TAXES.
- 19 (B) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES
- 20 TAXES, THE TERM MUNICIPALITY DOES NOT INCLUDE A SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- 21 SECTION 23.2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A CHAPTER TO
- 22 READ:
- 23 <u>CHAPTER 5</u>
- 24 <u>CONSOLIDATED COLLECTION OF LOCAL INCOME TAXES</u>
- 25 <u>SECTION 501. DEFINITIONS.</u>
- 26 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS CHAPTER
- 27 SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE
- 28 <u>CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:</u>
- 29 "ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER." THE TAX OFFICER AUTHORIZED BY A
- 30 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION TO COLLECT INCOME TAXES LEVIED PRIOR TO

- 1 JANUARY 1, 2009.
- 2 <u>"BUSINESS." AN ENTERPRISE, ACTIVITY, PROFESSION OR ANY OTHER</u>
- 3 <u>UNDERTAKING OF AN UNINCORPORATED NATURE CONDUCTED FOR PROFIT OR</u>
- 4 ORDINARILY CONDUCTED FOR PROFIT WHETHER BY A PERSON,
- 5 PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION OR ANY OTHER ENTITY.
- 6 "BUSINESS ENTITY." A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, CORPORATION,
- 7 JOINT-STOCK ASSOCIATION OR COMPANY, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED
- 8 PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, ASSOCIATION, BUSINESS
- 9 TRUST, SYNDICATE OR OTHER COMMERCIAL OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY
- 10 ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH OR ANY OTHER
- 11 <u>JURISDICTION</u>.
- 12 "CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT" OR "PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT." A
- 13 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT OR FIRM, AS
- 14 PROVIDED FOR IN THE ACT OF MAY 26, 1947 (P.L.318, NO.140), KNOWN
- 15 AS THE CPA LAW.
- 16 "CLAIM." A WRITTEN DEMAND FOR PAYMENT MADE BY A TAX OFFICER
- 17 OR TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT FOR INCOME TAXES COLLECTED BY ANOTHER
- 18 TAX OFFICER OR TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT.
- 19 "CORPORATION." A CORPORATION OR JOINT STOCK ASSOCIATION
- 20 ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE COMMONWEALTH
- 21 OF PENNSYLVANIA OR ANY OTHER STATE, TERRITORY, FOREIGN COUNTRY
- 22 OR DEPENDENCY. THE TERM SHALL INCLUDE AN ENTITY WHICH IS
- 23 CLASSIFIED AS A CORPORATION FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES.
- 24 "CURRENT YEAR." THE CALENDAR YEAR FOR WHICH THE TAX IS
- 25 <u>LEVIED.</u>
- 26 "DEPARTMENT." THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
- 27 DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 28 "DOMICILE." THE PLACE WHERE A PERSON LIVES AND HAS A
- 29 PERMANENT HOME AND TO WHICH THE PERSON HAS THE INTENTION OF
- 30 RETURNING WHENEVER ABSENT. ACTUAL RESIDENCE IS NOT NECESSARILY

- 1 DOMICILE, FOR DOMICILE IS THE FIXED PLACE OF ABODE WHICH, IN THE
- 2 INTENTION OF THE TAXPAYER, IS PERMANENT RATHER THAN TRANSITORY.
- 3 DOMICILE IS THE VOLUNTARILY FIXED PLACE OF HABITATION OF A
- 4 PERSON, NOT FOR A MERE SPECIAL OR LIMITED PURPOSE, BUT WITH THE
- 5 PRESENT INTENTION OF MAKING A PERMANENT HOME, UNTIL SOME EVENT
- 6 OCCURS TO INDUCE THE PERSON TO ADOPT SOME OTHER PERMANENT HOME.
- 7 IN THE CASE OF A BUSINESS, DOMICILE IS THAT PLACE CONSIDERED AS
- 8 THE CENTER OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND THE PLACE WHERE ITS FUNCTIONS
- 9 ARE DISCHARGED.
- 10 <u>"EARNED INCOME." THE COMPENSATION AS REPORTED TO OR</u>
- 11 <u>DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE UNDER SECTION 303 OF THE</u>
- 12 ACT OF MARCH 4, 1971 (P.L.6, NO.2), KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM CODE
- 13 OF 1971, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER SECTION
- 14 303. EMPLOYEE BUSINESS EXPENSES AS REPORTED TO OR DETERMINED BY
- 15 THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE UNDER ARTICLE III OF THE TAX REFORM
- 16 CODE OF 1971 SHALL CONSTITUTE ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS IN
- 17 <u>DETERMINING EARNED INCOME. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE OFFSETS FOR</u>
- 18 BUSINESS LOSSES.
- 19 <u>"EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS TAX." THE TAX LEVIED BY A</u>
- 20 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS.
- 21 <u>"EFFECTIVE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX RATE." THE</u>
- 22 ACTUAL EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX RATE LEVIED BY A
- 23 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON TAXPAYERS BASED ON THE TOTAL OF ALL
- 24 EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES IMPOSED UNDER THIS ACT
- 25 AND ALL OTHER ACTS, ADJUSTED UNDER SECTION 311.
- 26 <u>"EFFECTIVE INCOME TAX RATE." THE ACTUAL TAX RATE LEVIED BY A</u>
- 27 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON A TAXPAYER BASED ON THE TOTAL OF ALL
- 28 INCOME TAXES IMPOSED UNDER THIS ACT AND ALL OTHER ACTS, ADJUSTED
- 29 <u>UNDER SECTION 311.</u>
- 30 "EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX." A TAX ON INDIVIDUALS

- 1 FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF ENGAGING IN AN OCCUPATION THAT IS LEVIED,
- 2 ASSESSED AND COLLECTED ONLY BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE
- 3 TAXPAYER'S PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT
- 4 OR ANY OTHER ACT.
- 5 <u>"EMPLOYER." A PERSON, BUSINESS ENTITY OR OTHER ENTITY,</u>
- 6 INCLUDING THE COMMONWEALTH, ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND
- 7 INSTRUMENTALITIES AND PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, EMPLOYING ONE OR MORE
- 8 PERSONS FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION OR OTHER COMPENSATION.
- 9 THE TERM INCLUDES THE COMMONWEALTH, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND
- 10 AN INSTRUMENTALITY OR PUBLIC AUTHORITY OF EITHER.
- 11 "INCOME TAX." EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 511(B), AN
- 12 EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS TAX, PERSONAL INCOME TAX OR OTHER
- 13 TAX THAT IS ASSESSED ON THE INCOME OF A TAXPAYER LEVIED BY A
- 14 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT OR ANY
- 15 OTHER ACT.
- 16 "JOINT TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE." AN ENTITY FORMED BY TWO OR
- 17 MORE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEES FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCOME TAX
- 18 COLLECTION IN MORE THAN ONE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT.
- 19 "MUNICIPALITY." A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS, CITY OF THE
- 20 <u>SECOND CLASS A, CITY OF THE THIRD CLASS, BOROUGH, TOWN, TOWNSHIP</u>
- 21 OF THE FIRST CLASS OR TOWNSHIP OF THE SECOND CLASS.
- 22 "NET PROFITS." THE NET INCOME FROM THE OPERATION OF A
- 23 BUSINESS, OTHER THAN A CORPORATION, AS REPORTED TO OR DETERMINED
- 24 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE UNDER SECTION 303 OF THE ACT OF
- 25 MARCH 4, 1971 (P.L.6, NO.2), KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM CODE OF
- 26 1971, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER SECTION 303.
- 27 FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING NET PROFITS, BUSINESS LOSSES FROM
- 28 ONE BUSINESS MAY BE OFFSET AGAINST PROFITS FROM ANOTHER
- 29 BUSINESS. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE INCOME WHICH:
- 30 <u>(1) IS NOT PAID FOR SERVICES PROVIDED; AND</u>

- 1 (2) IS IN THE NATURE OF EARNINGS FROM AN INVESTMENT.
- 2 "NONRESIDENT." A PERSON OR BUSINESS DOMICILED OUTSIDE THE
- 3 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 4 "OFFICIAL REGISTER." THE PART OF THE TAX REGISTER THAT
- 5 <u>INCLUDES WITHHOLDING TAX RATES AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 511(A)(3).</u>
- 6 <u>"PERSON." A NATURAL PERSON.</u>
- 7 "POLITICAL SUBDIVISION." A CITY OF THE SECOND CLASS, CITY OF
- 8 THE SECOND CLASS A, CITY OF THE THIRD CLASS, BOROUGH, TOWN,
- 9 TOWNSHIP OF THE FIRST CLASS, TOWNSHIP OF THE SECOND CLASS,
- 10 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS A, SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE
- 11 SECOND CLASS, SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE THIRD CLASS OR SCHOOL
- 12 DISTRICT OF THE FOURTH CLASS.
- 13 <u>"PRECEDING YEAR." THE CALENDAR YEAR BEFORE THE CURRENT YEAR.</u>
- 14 "PRIVATE AGENCY." ANY PERSON OR BUSINESS ENTITY APPOINTED AS
- 15 A TAX OFFICER BY A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 16 "RESIDENT." A PERSON OR BUSINESS ENTITY DOMICILED IN A
- 17 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 18 "SUCCEEDING YEAR." THE CALENDAR YEAR FOLLOWING THE CURRENT
- 19 YEAR.
- 20 <u>"TAXABLE INCOME." INCLUDES:</u>
- 21 (1) IN THE CASE OF AN EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS TAX,
- 22 EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS.
- 23 (2) IN THE CASE OF A PERSONAL INCOME TAX, INCOME
- ENUMERATED IN SECTION 303 OF THE ACT OF MARCH 4, 1971 (P.L.6,
- 25 NO.2), KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM CODE OF 1971, AS REPORTED TO
- 26 AND DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, SUBJECT TO
- 27 CORRECTION FOR FRAUD, EVASION OR ERROR, AS FINALLY DETERMINED
- BY THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 29 <u>"TAX BUREAU." A NONPROFIT ENTITY ESTABLISHED FOR THE</u>
- 30 <u>ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.</u>

- 1 <u>"TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE." THE COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY</u>
- 2 EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCOME TAX
- 3 COLLECTION. THE TERM SHALL INCLUDE A JOINT TAX COLLECTION
- 4 COMMITTEE.
- 5 <u>"TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT." A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT CREATED</u>
- 6 UNDER SECTION 504.
- 7 "TAX OFFICER." THE TAX BUREAU, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 8 PRIVATE AGENCY WHICH ADMINISTERS AND COLLECTS INCOME TAXES FOR
- 9 ONE OR MORE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS.
- 10 "TAX RECORDS." TAX RETURNS, SUPPORTING SCHEDULES,
- 11 CORRESPONDENCE WITH AUDITORS OR TAXPAYERS, ACCOUNT BOOKS AND
- 12 OTHER DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING ELECTRONIC RECORDS, OBTAINED OR
- 13 CREATED BY THE TAX OFFICER TO ADMINISTER OR COLLECT A TAX UNDER
- 14 THIS ACT. THE TERM INCLUDES DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY SECTION
- 15 509(E). THE TERM "ELECTRONIC RECORDS" INCLUDES DATA AND
- 16 INFORMATION INSCRIBED ON A TANGIBLE MEDIUM OR STORED IN AN
- 17 <u>ELECTRONIC OR OTHER MEDIUM AND WHICH IS RETRIEVABLE IN</u>
- 18 PERCEIVABLE FORM.
- 19 "TAX REGISTER." A DATABASE OF ALL COUNTY, MUNICIPAL AND
- 20 <u>SCHOOL TAX RATES AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AS PROVIDED IN</u>
- 21 <u>SECTION 511(A)(1).</u>
- 22 "TAXPAYER." A PERSON OR BUSINESS REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT TO
- 23 FILE A RETURN OF AN INCOME TAX OR TO PAY AN INCOME TAX.
- 24 <u>"WITHHOLDING TAX." AN INCOME TAX OR AN EMERGENCY AND</u>
- 25 MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX LEVIED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER
- 26 THE AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT OR ANY OTHER ACT, OR ANY OTHER TAX
- 27 LEVIED BY A MUNICIPALITY OR SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR WHICH EMPLOYER
- 28 WITHHOLDING MAY BE REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT OR ANY OTHER ACT.
- 29 <u>SECTION 502. DECLARATION AND PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES.</u>
- 30 (A) APPLICATION. --

- 1 (1) INCOME TAXES SHALL BE APPLICABLE TO TAXABLE INCOME
- 2 EARNED OR RECEIVED BASED ON THE METHOD OF ACCOUNTING USED BY
- 3 THE TAXPAYER IN THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF THE CURRENT
- 4 YEAR AND ENDING DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR; EXCEPT THAT
- 5 TAXES IMPOSED FOR THE FIRST TIME AND CHANGES TO EXISTING TAX
- 6 RATES SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JANUARY 1 OR JULY 1, AS
- 7 SPECIFIED IN THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, AND THE TAX SHALL
- 8 CONTINUE IN FORCE ON A CALENDAR YEAR OR TAXPAYER FISCAL YEAR
- 9 BASIS, WITHOUT ANNUAL REENACTMENT, UNLESS THE RATE OF THE TAX
- 10 <u>IS SUBSEQUENTLY CHANGED.</u>
- 11 (2) FOR A TAXPAYER WHOSE FISCAL YEAR IS NOT A CALENDAR
- 12 YEAR, THE TAX OFFICER SHALL ESTABLISH DEADLINES FOR FILING,
- REPORTING AND PAYMENT OF TAXES WHICH PROVIDE TIME PERIODS
- 14 EQUIVALENT TO THOSE PROVIDED FOR A CALENDAR YEAR TAXPAYER.
- 15 (B) PARTIAL DOMICILE. -- THE TAXABLE INCOME SUBJECT TO TAX OF
- 16 A TAXPAYER WHO IS DOMICILED IN A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR ONLY
- 17 A PORTION OF THE TAX YEAR SHALL BE AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE
- 18 TAXPAYER'S TAXABLE INCOME MULTIPLIED BY A FRACTION, THE
- 19 NUMERATOR OF WHICH IS THE NUMBER OF CALENDAR MONTHS DURING THE
- 20 TAX YEAR THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS DOMICILED IN THE POLITICAL
- 21 SUBDIVISION, AND THE DENOMINATOR OF WHICH IS 12. A TAXPAYER
- 22 SHALL INCLUDE IN THE NUMERATOR ANY CALENDAR MONTH DURING WHICH
- 23 THE TAXPAYER IS DOMICILED FOR MORE THAN HALF THE CALENDAR MONTH.
- 24 A DAY THAT A TAXPAYER'S DOMICILE CHANGES SHALL BE INCLUDED AS A
- 25 DAY THE INDIVIDUAL IS IN THE NEW DOMICILE AND NOT THE OLD
- 26 DOMICILE. IF THE NUMBER OF DAYS IN THE CALENDAR MONTH IN WHICH
- 27 THE INDIVIDUAL LIVED IN THE OLD AND NEW DOMICILES ARE EQUAL, THE
- 28 CALENDAR MONTH SHALL BE INCLUDED IN CALCULATING THE NUMBER OF
- 29 MONTHS IN THE NEW DOMICILE.
- 30 (C) DECLARATION AND PAYMENT. -- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN

1 SUBSECTION (A)(2), TAXPAYERS SHALL DECLARE AND PAY INCOME TAXES

2 AS FOLLOWS: 3 (1) EVERY TAXPAYER SHALL, ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15 OF THE 4 SUCCEEDING YEAR, MAKE AND FILE WITH THE TAX OFFICER, A FINAL 5 RETURN SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF TAXABLE INCOME RECEIVED DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND ENDING 6 7 DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX DUE 8 ON THE TAXABLE INCOME, THE AMOUNT OF TAX PAID, THE AMOUNT OF 9 TAX THAT HAS BEEN WITHHELD UNDER SECTION 512 AND THE BALANCE 10 OF TAX DUE. ALL AMOUNTS REPORTED SHALL BE ROUNDED TO THE 11 NEAREST WHOLE DOLLAR. AT THE TIME OF FILING THE FINAL RETURN, 12 THE TAXPAYER SHALL PAY THE BALANCE OF THE TAX DUE OR SHALL 13 MAKE DEMAND FOR REFUND OR CREDIT IN THE CASE OF OVERPAYMENT. 14 (2) EVERY TAXPAYER MAKING NET PROFITS SHALL, BY APRIL 15 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, MAKE AND FILE WITH THE TAX OFFICER A DECLARATION OF THE TAXPAYER'S ESTIMATED NET PROFITS DURING 16 17 THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31 OF THE 18 CURRENT YEAR, AND SHALL PAY TO THE TAX OFFICER IN FOUR EQUAL 19 QUARTERLY INSTALLMENTS THE TAX DUE ON THE ESTIMATED NET 20 PROFITS. THE FIRST INSTALLMENT SHALL BE PAID AT THE TIME OF 21 FILING THE DECLARATION, AND THE OTHER INSTALLMENTS SHALL BE PAID ON OR BEFORE JUNE 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SEPTEMBER 15 22 23 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND JANUARY 15 OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR, 24 RESPECTIVELY. 25 (I) ANY TAXPAYER WHO FIRST ANTICIPATES ANY NET 26 PROFIT AFTER APRIL 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SHALL MAKE AND 27 FILE THE DECLARATION REQUIRED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 15 OF THE 28 CURRENT YEAR, SEPTEMBER 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR OR 29 DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, WHICHEVER DATE NEXT

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FOLLOWS THE DATE ON WHICH THE TAXPAYER FIRST ANTICIPATES

1 SUCH NET PROFIT, AND SHALL PAY TO THE TAX OFFICER IN EQUAL INSTALLMENTS THE TAX DUE ON OR BEFORE THE QUARTERLY 2 3 PAYMENT DATES THAT REMAIN AFTER THE FILING OF THE 4 DECLARATION. 5 (II) EVERY TAXPAYER SHALL, ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15 OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR, MAKE AND FILE WITH THE TAX OFFICER A 6 FINAL RETURN SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF NET PROFITS EARNED OR 7 RECEIVED BASED ON THE METHOD OF ACCOUNTING USED BY THE 8 9 TAXPAYER DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF THE 10 CURRENT YEAR, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, 11 THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX DUE ON THE NET PROFITS AND THE 12 TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX PAID. AT THE TIME OF FILING THE FINAL 13 RETURN, THE TAXPAYER SHALL PAY TO THE TAX OFFICER THE 14 BALANCE OF TAX DUE OR SHALL MAKE DEMAND FOR REFUND OR 15 CREDIT IN THE CASE OF OVERPAYMENT. ANY TAXPAYER MAY, IN LIEU OF PAYING THE FOURTH QUARTERLY INSTALLMENT OF THE 16 ESTIMATED TAX, ELECT TO MAKE AND FILE WITH THE TAX 17 18 OFFICER ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31 OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR, 19 THE FINAL RETURN. 20 (III) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE BY REGULATION FOR 21 THE FILING OF ADJUSTED DECLARATIONS OF ESTIMATED NET 22 PROFITS AND FOR THE PAYMENTS OF THE ESTIMATED TAX IN 23 CASES WHERE A TAXPAYER WHO HAS FILED THE DECLARATION 24 REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ANTICIPATES ADDITIONAL NET 25 PROFITS NOT PREVIOUSLY DECLARED OR HAS OVERESTIMATED 26 ANTICIPATED NET PROFITS. 27 (IV) EVERY TAXPAYER WHO DISCONTINUES BUSINESS PRIOR 28 TO DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SHALL, WITHIN 30 DAYS

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AFTER THE DISCONTINUANCE OF BUSINESS, FILE A FINAL RETURN

AS REOUIRED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH AND PAY THE TAX DUE.

- 1 (3) EVERY TAXPAYER WHO RECEIVES ANY OTHER TAXABLE INCOME
- 2 NOT SUBJECT TO WITHHOLDING UNDER SECTION 512(3) SHALL MAKE
- 3 AND FILE WITH THE TAX OFFICER A QUARTERLY RETURN ON OR BEFORE
- 4 APRIL 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, JUNE 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 5 SEPTEMBER 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, AND JANUARY 15 OF THE
- 6 SUCCEEDING YEAR, SETTING FORTH THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF
- 7 TAXABLE INCOME NOT SUBJECT TO WITHHOLDING BY THE TAXPAYER
- 8 DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIODS ENDING MARCH 31 OF THE CURRENT
- 9 YEAR, JUNE 30 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SEPTEMBER 30 OF THE
- 10 CURRENT YEAR, AND DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR,
- 11 RESPECTIVELY, AND SUBJECT TO THE TAX, TOGETHER WITH SUCH
- 12 OTHER INFORMATION AS THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE. EVERY
- 13 TAXPAYER FILING A RETURN SHALL, AT THE TIME OF FILING THE
- 14 RETURN, PAY TO THE TAX OFFICER THE AMOUNT OF TAX DUE. THE
- 15 <u>DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA UNDER WHICH THE TAX</u>
- 16 OFFICER MAY WAIVE THE QUARTERLY RETURN AND PAYMENT OF THE TAX
- AND PERMIT A TAXPAYER TO FILE THE RECEIPT OF TAXABLE INCOME
- 18 ON THE TAXPAYER'S ANNUAL RETURN AND PAY THE TAX DUE ON OR
- 19 BEFORE APRIL 15 OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR.
- 20 <u>SECTION 503. (RESERVED).</u>
- 21 <u>SECTION 504. TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS.</u>
- 22 A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT SHALL BE CREATED IN EACH COUNTY,
- 23 EXCEPT A COUNTY OF THE FIRST CLASS, FOR PURPOSES OF COLLECTING
- 24 INCOME TAXES. THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF A TAX COLLECTION
- 25 <u>DISTRICT SHALL BE COTERMINOUS WITH THE COUNTY IN WHICH IT IS</u>
- 26 CREATED, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION. A SCHOOL DISTRICT
- 27 LOCATED IN MORE THAN ONE COUNTY SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE TAX
- 28 COLLECTION DISTRICT WITH THE GREATEST SHARE OF THE SCHOOL
- 29 <u>DISTRICT'S POPULATION BASED ON THE MOST RECENTLY AVAILABLE DATA</u>
- 30 FROM THE FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF

- 1 THIS SECTION. A MUNICIPALITY SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE TAX
- 2 COLLECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH ITS SCHOOL DISTRICT IS LOCATED. IF
- 3 A MUNICIPALITY IS LOCATED IN MORE THAN ONE SCHOOL DISTRICT, EACH
- 4 OF WHICH IS IN A DIFFERENT TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT, THE PORTION
- 5 OF THE MUNICIPALITY IN EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN
- 6 THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT FOR THAT SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN A LIST OF ALL TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS
- 8 AND THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT.
- 9 BY JANUARY 3, 2007, THE LIST SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE
- 10 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FOR PUBLICATION IN THE PENNSYLVANIA
- 11 BULLETIN; AND BY JANUARY 15, 2007, THE LIST SHALL BE MADE
- 12 AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S INTERNET WEBSITE.
- 13 <u>SECTION 505. TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEES.</u>
- 14 (A) POWERS AND DUTIES.--A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL BE
- 15 CREATED IN EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT AS SET FORTH IN THIS
- 16 SECTION. EACH TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
- 17 POWERS AND DUTIES:
- 18 (1) TO ADOPT, AMEND AND REPEAL RESOLUTIONS TO CARRY OUT
- 19 ITS POWERS AND DUTIES UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 20 (2) TO KEEP RECORDS OF ALL VOTES AND OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN
- 21 BY THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 22 (3) TO APPOINT AND OVERSEE A TAX OFFICER FOR THE TAX
- 23 COLLECTION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 507(A).
- 24 (4) TO SET THE COMPENSATION OF THE TAX OFFICER UNDER
- 25 SECTION 507(C).
- 26 (5) TO CREATE A TAX BUREAU AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS
- 27 OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, UPON
- 28 REQUEST OF A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE, PROVIDE TECHNICAL
- 29 ASSISTANCE TO THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE IN THE CREATION OF
- 30 A TAX BUREAU.

1 (6) TO REOUIRE, HOLD, SET AND REVIEW THE TAX OFFICER'S 2 BOND REQUIRED BY SECTION 509(D). 3 (7) TO ESTABLISH THE MANNER AND EXTENT OF FINANCING OF 4 THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. 5 (8) TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS AS NECESSARY. 6 (9) TO APPOINT A DIRECTOR FOR THE TAX COLLECTION 7 COMMITTEE AND OTHER EMPLOYEES AS NECESSARY AND TO FIX THEIR 8 COMPENSATION. 9 (10) TO RETAIN COUNSEL AND AUDITORS TO RENDER 10 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS NECESSARY. 11 (11) TO SUE AND BE SUED, AND COMPLAIN AND DEFEND IN ALL 12 COURTS. 13 (12) TO ACQUIRE, LEASE, RENT OR DISPOSE OF REAL OR 14 PERSONAL PROPERTY. 15 (13) TO ADOPT, AMEND AND REPEAL BYLAWS FOR THE 16 MANAGEMENT OF ITS AFFAIRS CONSISTENT WITH SUBSECTION (F) AND 17 REGULATIONS UNDER SECTION 508. 18 (14) TO ADOPT, AMEND AND REPEAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES 19 CONSISTENT WITH THE REGULATIONS UNDER SECTION 508 FOR THE 20 ADMINISTRATION OF INCOME TAXES WITHIN THE TAX COLLECTION 21 DISTRICT. THE PROCEDURES SHALL SUPERSEDE ANY CONTRARY RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES ADOPTED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION. 22 23 THIS AUTHORITY SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO PERMIT A TAX 24 COLLECTION COMMITTEE TO CHANGE THE RATE OR SUBJECT OF ANY 25 TAX. 26 (15) TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH ONE OR MORE OTHER TAX 27 COLLECTION COMMITTEES TO FORM A JOINT TAX COLLECTION 28 COMMITTEE. A JOINT TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE 29 POWERS AND DUTIES ENUMERATED IN PARAGRAPHS (1) THROUGH (14) 30 WITH RESPECT TO ALL TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS FROM WHICH THE

- 1 JOINT TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE IS FORMED.
- 2 (B) DELEGATES.--
- 3 (1) THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 4 WITHIN A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT THAT IMPOSED AN INCOME TAX
- 5 PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2007, SHALL APPOINT ONE VOTING DELEGATE
- 6 AND ONE ALTERNATE TO REPRESENT THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON
- THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE BY APRIL 1, 2007. THE GOVERNING
- 8 BODY OF EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THAT, AFTER DECEMBER 31,
- 9 <u>2006, IMPOSES AN INCOME TAX FOR THE FIRST TIME SHALL APPOINT</u>
- 10 ONE DELEGATE AND ONE ALTERNATE TO REPRESENT THE POLITICAL
- 11 SUBDIVISION ON THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. EACH DELEGATE
- 12 AND ALTERNATE MUST BE A RESIDENT OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 13 REPRESENTED. A DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE SHALL SERVE AT THE
- 14 PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 15 (2) THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 16 WITHIN A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT THAT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1,
- 17 <u>2007, DOES NOT IMPOSE AN INCOME TAX MAY APPOINT ONE NONVOTING</u>
- 18 REPRESENTATIVE TO REPRESENT THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON THE
- 19 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. THE APPOINTMENT MUST BE MADE BY
- 20 APRIL 1, 2007. IF, AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2006, A POLITICAL
- 21 <u>SUBDIVISION IMPOSES AN INCOME TAX, THE NONVOTING</u>
- 22 REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BECOME A VOTING DELEGATE TO REPRESENT
- 23 THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ON THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 24 (B.1) QUORUM. -- UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR IN THE BYLAWS
- 25 OF A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE, A MAJORITY OF THE DELEGATES OF A
- 26 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1)
- 27 CONSTITUTES A QUORUM. A QUORUM MUST BE PRESENT IN ORDER TO TAKE
- 28 OFFICIAL ACTION.
- 29 (B.2) LACK OF QUORUM. --IF A QUORUM IS NOT PRESENT AT THE
- 30 FIRST MEETING, THE CHAIR OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY IN

- 1 WHICH THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IS LOCATED OR THE CHAIR'S
- 2 DESIGNEE SHALL RESCHEDULE THE MEETING WITHIN THREE WEEKS. THE
- 3 CHAIR OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE SHALL PROVIDE, BY FIRST CLASS
- 4 MAIL, NOTICE OF THE RESCHEDULED MEETING TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO
- 5 THE GOVERNING BODIES OF ALL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN THE TAX
- 6 COLLECTION DISTRICT ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE
- 7 FORM SHALL INCLUDE THE DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THE
- 8 RESCHEDULED MEETING AND A NOTICE THAT THE DELEGATES PRESENT AT
- 9 THE RESCHEDULED MEETING SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM. THE
- 10 RESCHEDULED MEETING SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE THE FIRST MEETING FOR
- 11 PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER.
- 12 <u>(C) VOTING RIGHTS.--</u>
- 13 (1) ONLY A DELEGATE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF A
- 14 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY REPRESENT A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 15 AT A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MEETING. IF A DELEGATE CANNOT
- 16 BE PRESENT FOR A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MEETING, THE
- 17 ALTERNATE APPOINTED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY REPRESENT THE
- 18 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION. EACH DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE SHALL BE
- 19 ENTITLED TO VOTE UPON ANY ACTION AUTHORIZED OR REQUIRED OF
- 20 THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE UNDER THIS CHAPTER.
- 21 (2) FOR THE FIRST MEETING OF THE TAX COLLECTION
- 22 COMMITTEE, ACTIONS OF THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL BE
- 23 DETERMINED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THOSE DELEGATES PRESENT.
- 24 <u>VOTES SHALL BE WEIGHTED IN DIRECT PROPORTION TO INCOME TAX</u>
- 25 REVENUES COLLECTED IN EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, BASED ON
- 26 <u>EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION'S MOST RECENT ANNUAL FINANCIAL</u>
- 27 REPORT SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OR THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 28 EDUCATION. FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS, VOTES SHALL BE TAKEN IN
- 29 <u>ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH UNLESS THE BYLAWS PROVIDE</u>
- 30 <u>OTHERWISE</u>.

- 1 (3) NO LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST MEETING,
- 2 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CALCULATE THE WEIGHTED VOTE FOR EACH
- 3 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT
- 4 BASED ON THE MOST RECENT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AVAILABLE.
- 5 BY JULY 1 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING THE FIRST MEETING, AND OF
- 6 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, EACH TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL
- 7 RECALCULATE THE WEIGHTED VOTE UNLESS THE BYLAWS PROVIDE FOR A
- 8 MORE FREQUENT RECALCULATION.
- 9 <u>(4) IF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE TAX COLLECTION</u>
- 10 DISTRICT IMPOSES AN INCOME TAX FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE TAX
- 11 COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL RECALCULATE THE WEIGHTED VOTE OR
- 12 OTHER METHOD OF VOTING UNDER THE BYLAWS.
- 13 (D) FIRST MEETING SCHEDULE. -- THE FIRST MEETING OF THE TAX
- 14 COLLECTION COMMITTEE IN EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT SHALL BE ON
- 15 OR BEFORE MAY 1, 2007. THE CHAIR OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
- 16 THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IS PRIMARILY
- 17 LOCATED OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE SHALL SCHEDULE THE FIRST MEETING
- 18 OF THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE AND SHALL PROVIDE, AT LEAST 21
- 19 DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING, PUBLIC NOTICE, AS REQUIRED BY 65
- 20 PA.C.S. § 703 (RELATING TO DEFINITIONS), AND NOTICE BY FIRST
- 21 CLASS MAIL BY MARCH 15, 2007, TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE
- 22 GOVERNING BODY OF EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN THE TAX
- 23 COLLECTION DISTRICT.
- 24 (E) FIRST MEETING AGENDA. -- THE CHAIR OF THE COUNTY
- 25 <u>COMMISSIONERS OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE SHALL CONVENE THE FIRST</u>
- 26 MEETING OF THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. THE CHAIR OF THE COUNTY
- 27 COMMISSIONERS SHALL CONDUCT THE MEETING AND RECORD ALL VOTES
- 28 UNTIL A CHAIRPERSON, VICE CHAIRPERSON AND SECRETARY ARE ELECTED
- 29 BY THE COMMITTEE. THE DELEGATES SHALL ELECT A CHAIR, VICE CHAIR
- 30 FROM AMONG THE DELEGATES AND A SECRETARY. THE CHAIR SHALL

- 1 SCHEDULE MEETINGS, SET THE AGENDA, CONDUCT MEETINGS, RECORD
- 2 VOTES AND PERFORM OTHER DUTIES AS DETERMINED BY THE TAX
- 3 COLLECTION COMMITTEE. THE SECRETARY SHALL MAINTAIN THE MINUTES
- 4 AND RECORDS OF THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE AND PROVIDE PUBLIC
- 5 NOTICES AND ALL NOTICES TO EACH DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE APPOINTED
- 6 TO THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 7 (F) BYLAWS.--NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2007, THE DELEGATES OF
- 8 EACH TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL ADOPT BYLAWS TO GOVERN THE
- 9 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE AND NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 30
- 10 DAYS OF ADOPTION. WRITTEN NOTICE SHALL BE PROVIDED TO EACH
- 11 <u>DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE THAT THE ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT</u>
- 12 OF BYLAWS WILL BE CONSIDERED AT A MEETING. NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE
- 13 COPIES OF THE PROPOSED BYLAWS OR AMENDMENTS. THE BYLAWS FOR EACH
- 14 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE FOLLOWING:
- 15 (1) RULES OF PROCEDURE, QUORUM REQUIREMENTS, VOTING
- 16 RIGHTS AND PROVISIONS FOR MANAGING THE AFFAIRS OF THE TAX
- 17 COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 18 (2) A LIST OF OFFICERS, THEIR TERMS AND POWERS AND A
- 19 PROCESS FOR THEIR ELECTION.
- 20 <u>(3) MEETINGS, INCLUDING SPECIAL MEETINGS.</u>
- 21 (4) THE PROCESS FOR ADOPTING AND AMENDING BYLAWS.
- 22 (5) THE ADDITION OF NEW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO THE
- 23 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 24 (G) OFFICERS.--UPON THE ELECTION OF ANY NEW OFFICERS, THE
- 25 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 30
- 26 DAYS AND SHALL PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE NAME AND ADDRESS
- 27 OF EACH OFFICER.
- 28 (H) AUDITS OF TAXES RECEIVED AND DISBURSED.--
- 29 <u>(1) BY THE END OF EACH CALENDAR YEAR, THE TAX COLLECTION</u>
- 30 COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE FOR AT LEAST ONE EXAMINATION FOR EACH

- 1 <u>CALENDAR YEAR OF THE BOOKS, ACCOUNTS, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS,</u>
- 2 COMPLIANCE REPORTS AND RECORDS OF THE TAX OFFICER BY A
- 3 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT OR PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT APPROVED AND
- 4 APPOINTED BY THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. THE EXAMINATION
- 5 SHALL INCLUDE AN AUDIT OF ALL RECORDS RELATING TO THE CASH
- 6 BASIS RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT OF ALL PUBLIC MONEY BY THE TAX
- 7 OFFICER, A RECONCILIATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORTS REQUIRED BY
- 8 SECTION 509(B), AN ANALYSIS OF THE BOND AMOUNT UNDER SECTION
- 9 <u>509(D) AND AN ANALYSIS OF THE COLLECTION FEES CHARGED TO THE</u>
- 10 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. IN THE CASE OF A PRIVATE AGENCY,
- 11 THE EXAMINATION SHALL NOT INCLUDE PAYROLL AND OTHER
- 12 PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. THE EXAMINATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED
- 13 ACCORDING TO GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING
- 14 STANDARDS.
- 15 (2) THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT OR PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
- 16 SHALL ISSUE A REPORT, IN A FORMAT PRESCRIBED BY THE
- 17 DEPARTMENT, TO THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE, WHICH SHALL
- 18 INCLUDE AN AUDITOR'S OPINION LETTER, A FINANCIAL STATEMENT, A
- 19 RECONCILIATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORTS REQUIRED BY SECTION
- 20 <u>509(B) WITH THE RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, A SUMMARY OF</u>
- 21 COLLECTION FEES CHARGED TO THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE, A
- 22 REPORT ON THE TAX OFFICER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ACT, A LIST
- 23 OF ANY FINDINGS OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THIS ACT AND A COPY OF
- 24 A MANAGEMENT LETTER IF ONE IS ISSUED BY THE AUDITOR. IF THERE
- 25 ARE FINDINGS OF NONCOMPLIANCE, A COPY OF THE REPORT SHALL BE
- 26 FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 27 THE AUDITOR GENERAL AND THE DEPARTMENT. A COPY OF THE REPORT
- 28 SHALL BE FILED WITH ALL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN THE TAX
- 29 <u>COLLECTION DISTRICT AND THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER</u>
- 30 1 OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR. THE DEPARTMENT MAY MAKE AVAILABLE

- 1 ON ITS INTERNET WEBSITE SUMMARY DATA FROM THE REPORTS FILED
- 2 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3 (I) APPLICABILITY OF STATUTES.--EACH TAX COLLECTION
- 4 COMMITTEE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 5 (1) THE ACT OF JUNE 21, 1957 (P.L.390, NO.212), REFERRED
- 6 TO AS THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW.
- 7 (2) THE ACT OF JULY 19, 1957 (P.L.1017, NO.451), KNOWN
- 8 AS THE STATE ADVERSE INTEREST ACT.
- 9 (3) 65 PA.C.S. CH. 7 (RELATING TO OPEN MEETINGS).
- 10 (4) 65 PA.C.S. CH. 11 (RELATING TO ETHICS STANDARDS AND
- financial disclosure).
- 12 <u>(J) APPEALS BOARD.--</u>
- 13 (1) BY JULY 1, 2008, EACH TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL
- 14 ESTABLISH AN APPEALS BOARD COMPRISED OF A MINIMUM OF THREE
- DELEGATES.
- 16 (2) A DETERMINATION OF THE TAX OFFICER RELATING TO THE
- 17 ASSESSMENT, COLLECTION, REFUND, WITHHOLDING, REMITTANCE OR
- 18 DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES MAY BE APPEALED TO THE APPEALS
- 19 BOARD BY A TAXPAYER, EMPLOYER, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 20 <u>ANOTHER TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT.</u>
- 21 (3) ALL APPEALS SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN A MANNER
- 22 CONSISTENT WITH 53 PA.C.S. §§ 8430 (RELATING TO
- 23 ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS), 8431 (RELATING TO PETITIONS), 8432
- 24 (RELATING TO PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE), 8433 (RELATING TO
- DECISIONS) AND 8434 (RELATING TO APPEALS).
- 26 (4) A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENT
- 27 WITH ANOTHER TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE TO ESTABLISH A JOINT
- 28 <u>APPEALS BOARD.</u>
- 29 <u>(5) NO MEMBER OF AN APPEALS BOARD OR JOINT APPEALS BOARD</u>
- MAY BE A TAX OFFICER OR AN EMPLOYEE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY FOR A

- 1 TAX OFFICER.
- 2 <u>SECTION 506. TAX OFFICER.</u>
- 3 (A) COLLECTION AND ADMINISTRATION. -- NOTWITHSTANDING ANY
- 4 OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, INCOME TAXES SHALL BE
- 5 COLLECTED AND ADMINISTERED BY ONE TAX OFFICER IN EACH TAX
- 6 COLLECTION DISTRICT APPOINTED UNDER SECTION 507(A). TWO OR MORE
- 7 TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS MAY APPOINT THE SAME TAX OFFICER. IF
- 8 TWO OR MORE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS FORM A JOINT TAX COLLECTION
- 9 COMMITTEE, THE JOINT TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL APPOINT A
- 10 SINGLE TAX OFFICER.
- 11 (B) STANDARDS.--A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MAY NOT APPOINT
- 12 AS A TAX OFFICER ANY TAX BUREAU, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR
- 13 PRIVATE AGENCY THAT:
- 14 (1) HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY INVOLVING FRAUD,
- 15 <u>EXTORTION OR DISHONESTY IN ANY JURISDICTION;</u>
- 16 (2) HAS ENGAGED IN CONDUCT WHICH SIGNIFICANTLY ADVERSELY
- 17 REFLECTS ON THE APPLICANT'S CREDIBILITY, HONESTY OR
- 18 INTEGRITY; OR
- 19 (3) IS UNABLE TO OBTAIN THE BOND REQUIRED BY SECTION
- 20 509(D).
- 21 <u>SECTION 507. APPOINTMENT OF TAX OFFICER.</u>
- 22 (A) APPOINTMENT.--BY MARCH 1, 2008, EACH TAX COLLECTION
- 23 COMMITTEE SHALL APPOINT A TAX OFFICER BY RESOLUTION AND SHALL
- 24 NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE APPOINTMENT, INCLUDING THE TAX
- 25 OFFICER'S NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ANY OTHER
- 26 INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN TEN DAYS OF THE
- 27 APPOINTMENT. THE NAME, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS OF THE TAX
- 28 OFFICER APPOINTED SHALL BE ADDED TO THE OFFICIAL REGISTER AND
- 29 SHALL BE EFFECTIVE FOR THE ASSESSMENT, COLLECTION AND
- 30 ADMINISTRATION OF INCOME TAXES LEVIED, IMPOSED AND COLLECTED IN

- 1 FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2009. IF THE
- 2 POSITION OF TAX OFFICER BECOMES VACANT, THE TAX COLLECTION
- 3 <u>COMMITTEE SHALL APPOINT A NEW TAX OFFICER BY RESOLUTION.</u>
- 4 (B) COURT SELECTION.--
- 5 (1) IF A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE HAS NOT APPOINTED A
- 6 TAX OFFICER UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OR IF A TAX OFFICER CEASES
- 7 TO HOLD OFFICE AND A SUCCESSOR HAS NOT BEEN APPOINTED WITHIN
- 8 30 DAYS OF THE VACANCY, THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL
- 9 <u>IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT AND SHALL SUBMIT THE NAMES</u>
- 10 OF AT LEAST TWO NOMINEES FOR THE POSITION OF TAX OFFICER TO
- 11 THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE TAX
- 12 COLLECTION DISTRICT IS LOCATED. THE COURT SHALL SELECT A TAX
- OFFICER FROM AMONG THE NOMINEES SUBMITTED BY THE TAX
- 14 COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 15 (2) IF THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE FAILS TO SUBMIT
- 16 NOMINEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION, ANY POLITICAL
- 17 SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT MAY, AFTER
- 18 NOTIFYING THE DEPARTMENT, PETITION THE COURT TO SELECT A TAX
- 19 OFFICER. THE COURT MAY PROVIDE FOR OTHER PERSONS TO SUBMIT
- 20 NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF TAX OFFICER. THE COURT MAY
- 21 <u>SELECT A TAX OFFICER FROM AMONG THE NOMINEES.</u>
- 22 (3) IN THE EVENT THAT A TAX OFFICER IS TO BE SELECTED BY
- 23 THE COURT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INFORM
- 24 THE COURT OF THE TIME FRAME BY WHICH AN APPOINTMENT OF A TAX
- 25 OFFICER IS NEEDED AND OF UPCOMING DEADLINES WHICH THE TAX
- 26 OFFICER MUST MEET IN ORDER TO TIMELY FULFILL THE DUTIES OF
- 27 APPOINTMENT.
- 28 (4) UPON THE SELECTION OF A TAX OFFICER BY THE COURT,
- 29 THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL APPOINT THE PERSON
- 30 <u>SELECTED.</u>

- 1 (C) COMPENSATION. -- THE TAX OFFICER SHALL RECEIVE REASONABLE
- 2 COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES AS DETERMINED BY THE TAX
- 3 COLLECTION COMMITTEE. COMPENSATION SHALL BE PRORATED BASED ON
- 4 THE PERCENTAGE OF INCOME TAX REVENUE COLLECTED IN ALL POLITICAL
- 5 SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT UNLESS A
- 6 DIFFERENT COMPENSATION METHOD IS AGREED TO BY THE TAX OFFICER
- 7 AND THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TAX
- 8 COLLECTION COMMITTEE, THE TAX OFFICER MAY BE PERMITTED TO
- 9 WITHHOLD THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX OFFICER'S COMPENSATION FROM
- 10 INCOME TAXES COLLECTED, IF THE MONTHLY REPORTS REQUIRED BY
- 11 SECTION 509(B) SUBMITTED BY THE TAX OFFICER INCLUDE AN
- 12 ACCOUNTING FOR ALL COMPENSATION WITHHELD.
- 13 (D) WRITTEN AGREEMENT. -- EXCEPT WHEN A TAX COLLECTION
- 14 COMMITTEE ESTABLISHES A TAX BUREAU UNDER SECTION 505(A)(5), ALL
- 15 APPOINTMENTS OF A TAX OFFICER SHALL BE MADE PURSUANT TO A
- 16 WRITTEN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TAX OFFICER AND THE TAX COLLECTION
- 17 COMMITTEE. THE AGREEMENT SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE BY
- 18 RESOLUTION.
- 19 <u>SECTION 508. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT.</u>
- 20 (A) ADDITIONAL POWERS.--IN ADDITION TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES
- 21 PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH
- 22 THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, SHALL PRESCRIBE STANDARDIZED FORMS,
- 23 REPORTS, NOTICES, RETURNS AND SCHEDULES AND SHALL PROMULGATE
- 24 REGULATIONS AS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 25 <u>ACT.</u>
- 26 (B) TEMPORARY REGULATIONS. -- THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROMULGATE
- 27 TEMPORARY REGULATIONS, FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, AS NECESSARY,
- 28 WHICH SHALL BE PUBLISHED IN THE PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN. THE
- 29 <u>TEMPORARY REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT SHALL EXPIRE</u>
- 30 NO LATER THAN THREE YEARS FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS

- 1 PART OR UPON PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS AS GENERALLY PROVIDED
- 2 BY LAW. THE TEMPORARY REGULATIONS SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY OF
- 3 THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 (1) SECTION 205 OF THE ACT OF JULY 31, 1968 (P.L.769,
- 5 NO.240), REFERRED TO AS THE COMMONWEALTH DOCUMENTS LAW.
- 6 (2) SECTION 204(B) OF THE ACT OF OCTOBER 15, 1980
- 7 (P.L.950, NO.164), KNOWN AS THE COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEYS ACT.
- 8 (3) THE ACT OF JUNE 25, 1982 (P.L.633, NO.181), KNOWN AS
- 9 THE REGULATORY REVIEW ACT.
- 10 (C) INTERIM REGULATIONS.--UNTIL PROMULGATION OF THE
- 11 TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT REGULATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION, RULES AND
- 12 REGULATIONS IN USE BY TAX COLLECTORS UNDER THE FORMER DIVISION
- 13 <u>V(C) OF SECTION 13 SHALL REMAIN VALID.</u>
- 14 SECTION 509. POWERS AND DUTIES OF TAX OFFICER.
- 15 (A) TAX COLLECTION. -- IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER POWER AND DUTY
- 16 CONFERRED UPON A TAX OFFICER IN THIS ACT, IT SHALL BE THE DUTY
- 17 OF THE TAX OFFICER:
- 18 (1) TO COLLECT, RECONCILE, ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE INCOME
- 19 TAXES IMPOSED ON RESIDENTS AND NONRESIDENTS OF EACH POLITICAL
- 20 <u>SUBDIVISION INCLUDED IN THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT.</u>
- 21 (2) TO RECEIVE AND DISTRIBUTE INCOME TAXES AND TO
- 22 ENFORCE WITHHOLDING BY EMPLOYERS LOCATED IN THE TAX
- 23 COLLECTION DISTRICT.
- 24 (3) TO RECEIVE INCOME TAXES DISTRIBUTED BY TAX OFFICERS
- 25 FOR OTHER TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS.
- 26 (4) TO DISTRIBUTE INCOME TAXES TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
- 27 AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 513.
- 28 (5) TO COMPLY WITH ALL REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE
- 29 <u>DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS ACT AND ALL RESOLUTIONS, POLICIES AND</u>
- 30 PROCEDURES ADOPTED BY THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE.

1	(6) TO INVEST ALL INCOME TAXES IN THE CUSTODY OF THE TAX
2	OFFICER IN AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF
3	THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. THE TAX OFFICER SHALL OBSERVE
4	THE STANDARD OF CARE THAT WOULD BE OBSERVED BY A PRUDENT
5	PERSON DEALING WITH PROPERTY OF ANOTHER. FOR THE PURPOSES OF
6	THIS PARAGRAPH, THE TERM "AUTHORIZED INVESTMENT" SHALL
7	INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
8	(I) SHORT-TERM OBLIGATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES
9	GOVERNMENT OR ITS AGENCIES OR INSTRUMENTALITIES WHICH ARE
10	BACKED BY THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE UNITED STATES
11	OR ARE RATED IN THE HIGHEST CATEGORY BY A NATIONALLY
12	RECOGNIZED STATISTICAL RATING ORGANIZATION.
13	(II) DEPOSITS IN SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, TIME DEPOSITS,
14	SHARE ACCOUNTS OR CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT OF
15	INSTITUTIONS, INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE
16	CORPORATION OR THE NATIONAL CREDIT UNION SHARE INSURANCE
17	FUND, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR AGENCIES, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE
18	ACCOUNTS ARE INSURED AND, FOR THE AMOUNT ABOVE THE
19	INSURED MAXIMUM, THAT COLLATERAL, FREE FROM OTHER LIENS,
20	FOR THE AMOUNT IS PLEDGED BY THE DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.
21	(III) DEPOSITS IN INVESTMENT POOLS ESTABLISHED BY
22	THE STATE TREASURER OR ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
23	PURSUANT TO 53 PA.C.S. CH. 23 SUBCH. A (RELATING TO
24	INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION) AND RELATED STATUTES,
25	PROVIDED THAT THE INVESTMENT POOLS ARE RATED IN THE
26	HIGHEST CATEGORY BY A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STATISTICAL
27	RATING ORGANIZATION.
28	(IV) REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS WHICH ARE FULLY
29	COLLATERALIZED BY OBLIGATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES
30	GOVERNMENT OR ITS AGENCIES OR INSTRUMENTALITIES, WHICH

- 1 ARE FREE FROM OTHER LIENS AND BACKED BY THE FULL FAITH
- 2 AND CREDIT OF THE UNITED STATES OR ARE RATED IN THE
- 3 HIGHEST CATEGORY BY A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STATISTICAL
- 4 RATING ORGANIZATION.
- 5 (7) TO DISTRIBUTE INCOME GENERATED FROM INVESTMENTS
- 6 AUTHORIZED UNDER PARAGRAPH (6) AS DETERMINED BY THE TAX
- 7 COLLECTION COMMITTEE.
- 8 (B) MONTHLY REPORTS. -- THE TAX OFFICER SHALL, WITHIN 20 DAYS
- 9 AFTER THE END OF EACH MONTH, PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT, ON FORMS
- 10 PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TAX
- 11 COLLECTION COMMITTEE AND TO THE SECRETARY OF EACH POLITICAL
- 12 SUBDIVISION IN THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT FOR WHICH TAXES WERE
- 13 COLLECTED DURING THE PREVIOUS MONTH. THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE A
- 14 BREAKDOWN OF ALL INCOME TAXES, INCOME GENERATED FROM INVESTMENTS
- 15 UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(6), PENALTIES, COSTS AND OTHER MONEY
- 16 RECEIVED, COLLECTED, EXPENDED AND DISTRIBUTED FOR EACH POLITICAL
- 17 SUBDIVISION SERVED BY THE TAX OFFICER AND OF ALL MONEY
- 18 DISTRIBUTED TO TAX OFFICERS FOR OTHER TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS.
- 19 (C) OVERPAYMENTS.--A TAX OFFICER SHALL REFUND, UNDER 53
- 20 PA.C.S. §§ 8425 (RELATING TO REFUNDS OF OVERPAYMENTS) AND 8426
- 21 (RELATING TO INTEREST ON OVERPAYMENT), ON PETITION OF AND PROOF
- 22 BY THE TAXPAYER, INCOME TAXES PAID IN EXCESS OF INCOME TAXES
- 23 RIGHTFULLY DUE.
- 24 (D) BONDS.--PRIOR TO INITIATING ANY OFFICIAL DUTIES, EACH
- 25 TAX OFFICER SHALL GIVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE A BOND TO THE APPOINTING
- 26 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS:
- 27 (1) THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL FIX THE BOND AT
- 28 AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SECURE THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
- OF THE TAX OFFICER IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY
- 30 THE DEPARTMENT. THE BOND SHALL BE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE

Т	MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TAXES THAT MAY BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE
2	TAX OFFICER AT ANY GIVEN TIME. THE AMOUNT OF THE BOND SHALL
3	BE REVISED ANNUALLY BY THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE BASED
4	UPON THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 505(H).
5	(2) EACH BOND SHALL BE JOINT AND SEVERAL, WITH ONE OR
6	MORE CORPORATE SURETIES, WHICH SHALL BE SURETY COMPANIES
7	AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS COMMONWEALTH AND LICENSED
8	BY THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.
9	(3) EACH BOND SHALL BE CONDITIONED UPON THE COMPLETION
LO	OF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING BY THE TAX OFFICER'S EMPLOYEES AND
L1	APPOINTEES:
L2	(I) THE FAITHFUL EXECUTION OF ALL DUTIES REQUIRED OF
L3	THE TAX OFFICER.
L4	(II) THE JUST AND FAITHFUL ACCOUNTING OR PAYMENT
L5	OVER OF ALL MONEYS AND BALANCES PAID TO, RECEIVED OR HELD
L6	BY THE TAX OFFICER BY VIRTUE OF THE OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE
L7	WITH LAW.
L8	(III) THE DELIVERY OF ALL TAX RECORDS OR OTHER
L9	OFFICIAL ITEMS HELD IN RIGHT AS THE TAX OFFICER TO THE
20	TAX OFFICER'S SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE.
21	(4) EACH BOND SHALL BE TAKEN IN THE NAME OF THE TAX
22	COLLECTION DISTRICT AND SHALL BE FOR THE USE OF THE TAX
23	COLLECTION DISTRICT APPOINTING THE TAX OFFICER, AND FOR THE
24	USE OF ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR TAX COLLECTION
25	DISTRICT FOR WHICH INCOME TAXES SHALL BE COLLECTED OR
26	DISTRIBUTED IN CASE OF A BREACH OF ANY CONDITIONS OF THE BOND
27	BY THE ACTS OR NEGLECT OF THE PRINCIPAL ON THE BOND.
28	(5) A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE OR ANY POLITICAL
29	SUBDIVISION MAY SUE UPON THE BOND FOR THE PAYMENT OR
30	DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES.

1 (6) EACH BOND SHALL CONTAIN THE NAME OF THE SURETY 2 COMPANY BOUND ON THE BOND. 3 (7) THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MAY, UPON CAUSE SHOWN 4 AND DUE NOTICE TO THE TAX OFFICER AND THE TAX OFFICER'S 5 SURETIES, REQUIRE OR ALLOW THE SUBSTITUTION OR THE ADDITION 6 OF A SURETY COMPANY ACCEPTABLE TO THE TAX COLLECTION 7 COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE BOND SUFFICIENT IN 8 AMOUNT, WITHOUT RELEASING THE SURETIES FIRST APPROVED FROM 9 ANY ACCRUED LIABILITY OR PREVIOUS ACTION ON THE BOND. 10 (8) THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL DESIGNATE THE 11 CUSTODIAN OF THE BOND. 12 (9) THE TAX OFFICER SHALL FILE COPIES OF ALL BONDS IN 13 EFFECT WITH EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN THE TAX COLLECTION 14 DISTRICT. 15 (10) A COPY OF ALL BONDS IN EFFECT SHALL BE MADE 16 AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AND AT NO COST TO THE DEPARTMENT OR TO 17 A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SEEKING 18 PAYMENT OR DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES AUTHORIZED BY THIS 19 ACT. 20 (E) RECORDS.--IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE TAX OFFICER TO 21 KEEP A RECORD SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF INCOME TAXES RECEIVED FROM 22 EACH TAXPAYER OR OTHER TAX OFFICER, THE DATE OF RECEIPT, THE 23 AMOUNT AND DATE OF ALL OTHER MONEYS RECEIVED OR DISTRIBUTED AND 24 ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT. ALL TAX 25 RECORDS SHALL BE THE PROPERTY OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND 26 THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH THE TAXES WERE COLLECTED. 27 THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT SHALL RETAIN ALL TAX RECORDS FOR AT 28 LEAST SEVEN YEARS UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL 29 GOVERNMENT RECORDS COMMITTEE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND 30 MUSEUM COMMISSION UNDER 53 PA.C.S. CH. 13 SUBCH. F (RELATING TO

- 1 RECORDS). TAX RECORDS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE RETAINED
- 2 <u>ELECTRONICALLY AS PERMITTED BY LAW.</u>
- 3 (F) EMPLOYER AND TAXPAYER AUDITS.--
- 4 (1) IN ORDER TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF ANY INCOME TAX
- 5 DECLARATION OR RETURN OR, IF NO DECLARATION OR RETURN WAS
- 6 FILED, TO ASCERTAIN THE INCOME TAX DUE, THE TAX OFFICER AND
- 7 THE TAX OFFICER'S DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES MAY EXAMINE THE
- 8 RECORDS PERTAINING TO INCOME TAXES DUE OF ANY OF THE
- 9 <u>FOLLOWING:</u>
- 10 <u>(I) AN EMPLOYER.</u>
- 11 <u>(II) A TAXPAYER.</u>
- 12 (III) A PERSON WHOM THE TAX OFFICER REASONABLY
- BELIEVES TO BE AN EMPLOYER OR TAXPAYER.
- 14 (2) EVERY EMPLOYER AND TAXPAYER OR OTHER PERSON WHOM THE
- 15 TAX OFFICER REASONABLY BELIEVES TO BE AN EMPLOYER OR TAXPAYER
- 16 SHALL PROVIDE TO THE TAX OFFICER AND THE TAX OFFICER'S
- 17 <u>DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES THE MEANS, FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITY</u>
- 18 FOR THE EXAMINATION AND INVESTIGATION AUTHORIZED UNDER
- 19 PARAGRAPH (1).
- 20 (3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE TERM "RECORDS"
- 21 SHALL INCLUDE ANY BOOKS, PAPERS, AND RELEVANT FEDERAL OR
- 22 STATE TAX RETURNS <u>AND ACCOMPANYING SCHEDULES</u>, <u>OR SUPPORTING</u>
- 23 DOCUMENTATION FOR ANY INCOME TAXABLE UNDER THIS ACT.
- 24 (G) EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION. -- THE TAX OFFICER SHALL ENSURE
- 25 THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND EACH TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT
- 26 SHALL ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AS
- 27 NECESSARY FOR THE COLLECTION OF INCOME TAXES.
- 28 (H) ACTION FOR COLLECTION OF INCOME TAXES. -- THE TAX OFFICER
- 29 MAY FILE AN ACTION IN THE NAME OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN
- 30 THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT FOR THE RECOVERY OF INCOME TAXES DUE

- 1 TO THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND UNPAID. NOTHING IN THIS
- 2 SUBSECTION SHALL AFFECT THE AUTHORITY OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 3 TO FILE AN ACTION IN ITS OWN NAME FOR COLLECTION OF INCOME TAXES
- 4 UNDER THIS CHAPTER. THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO
- 5 LIMIT A TAX OFFICER, A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT OR POLITICAL
- 6 SUBDIVISION FROM RECOVERING DELINQUENT INCOME TAXES BY ANY OTHER
- 7 MEANS PROVIDED BY THIS ACT. ACTIONS FOR COLLECTION OF INCOME
- 8 TAXES SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 9 (1) EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (2) OR (4), AN
- 10 ACTION BROUGHT TO RECOVER INCOME TAXES MUST BE COMMENCED
- 11 WITHIN THREE YEARS OF THE LATER OF THE DATE:
- 12 (I) THE INCOME TAXES ARE DUE;
- 13 (II) THE DECLARATION OR RETURN HAS BEEN FILED; OR
- 14 (III) OF A REDETERMINATION OF COMPENSATION OR NET
- 15 PROFITS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.
- 16 (2) IF THERE IS SUBSTANTIAL UNDERSTATEMENT OF INCOME TAX
- 17 LIABILITY OF 25% OR MORE AND THERE IS NO FRAUD, AN ACTION
- 18 MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN SIX YEARS.
- 19 (3) EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH(4)(II), (III) OR
- 20 <u>(IV), AN ACTION BY A TAX OFFICER FOR RECOVERY OF AN ERRONEOUS</u>
- 21 <u>REFUND MUST BE COMMENCED AS FOLLOWS:</u>
- 22 <u>(I) EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II)</u>, WITHIN
- TWO YEARS AFTER MAKING THE REFUND.
- 24 (II) IF IT APPEARS THAT ANY PART OF THE REFUND WAS
- 25 <u>INDUCED BY FRAUD OR MISREPRESENTATION OF MATERIAL FACT,</u>
- 26 <u>WITHIN FIVE YEARS AFTER MAKING THE REFUND.</u>
- 27 (4) THERE IS NO LIMITATION OF ACTION IF ANY OF THE
- 28 <u>FOLLOWING APPLY:</u>
- 29 <u>(I) A TAXPAYER FAILS TO FILE A DECLARATION OR RETURN</u>
- REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT.

1	(II) AN EXAMINATION OF A DECLARATION OR RETURN OR OF
2	OTHER EVIDENCE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE TAX OFFICER
3	RELATING TO THE DECLARATION OR RETURN REVEALS A
4	FRAUDULENT EVASION OF INCOME TAXES.
5	(III) AN EMPLOYER HAS DEDUCTED INCOME TAXES UNDER
6	SECTION 512 AND HAS FAILED TO PAY THE AMOUNT DEDUCTED TO
7	THE TAX OFFICER.
8	(IV) AN EMPLOYER HAS INTENTIONALLY FAILED TO MAKE
9	DEDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY THIS ACT.
10	(I) INTEREST AND PENALTIES
11	(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2), IF THE INCOME
12	TAX IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE, INTEREST AT THE RATE THE TAXPAYER
13	IS REQUIRED TO PAY TO THE COMMONWEALTH UNDER SECTION 806 OF
14	THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.343, NO.176), KNOWN AS THE
15	FISCAL CODE, ON THE AMOUNT OF THE INCOME TAX, AND AN
16	ADDITIONAL PENALTY OF 1% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE UNPAID INCOME
17	TAX FOR EACH MONTH OR FRACTION OF A MONTH DURING WHICH THE
18	INCOME TAX REMAINS UNPAID SHALL BE ADDED AND COLLECTED BUT
19	THE AMOUNT SHALL NOT EXCEED 15% IN THE AGGREGATE. WHERE AN
20	ACTION IS BROUGHT FOR THE RECOVERY OF THE INCOME TAX, THE
21	TAXPAYER LIABLE FOR THE INCOME TAX SHALL, IN ADDITION, BE
22	LIABLE FOR THE COSTS OF COLLECTION, INTEREST AND PENALTIES.
23	(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH
24	A TAX OFFICER, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE TAX COLLECTION
25	COMMITTEE, MAY ABATE INTEREST OR PENALTIES THAT WOULD
26	OTHERWISE BE IMPOSED FOR THE NONREPORTING OR UNDERREPORTING
27	OF INCOME TAX LIABILITIES OR FOR THE NONPAYMENT OF INCOME
28	TAXES PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED AND DUE IF THE TAXPAYER VOLUNTARILY
29	FILES DELINQUENT RETURNS AND PAYS THE INCOME TAXES IN FULL.
30	(3) THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (2) SHALL NOT AFFECT OR

- 1 TERMINATE ANY PETITIONS, INVESTIGATIONS, PROSECUTIONS OR
- 2 OTHER PROCEEDINGS PENDING UNDER OF THIS CHAPTER, OR PREVENT
- 3 THE COMMENCEMENT OR FURTHER PROSECUTION OF ANY PROCEEDINGS BY
- 4 THE PROPER AUTHORITIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT. NO
- 5 PROCEEDINGS SHALL, HOWEVER, BE COMMENCED ON THE BASIS OF
- 6 DELINQUENT RETURNS FILED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (3) IF THE
- 7 RETURNS ARE DETERMINED TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY TRUE AND CORRECT
- 8 AND THE INCOME TAXES ARE PAID IN FULL WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED
- 9 TIME.
- 10 (J) FINES AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.--
- 11 (1) ANY TAXPAYER WHO FAILS, NEGLECTS OR REFUSES TO MAKE
- 12 ANY DECLARATION OR RETURN REQUIRED BY THIS CHAPTER, ANY
- 13 <u>EMPLOYER WHO FAILS, NEGLECTS OR REFUSES TO REGISTER, KEEP OR</u>
- 14 SUPPLY RECORDS OR RETURNS REQUIRED BY SECTION 512 OR TO PAY
- 15 THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTED FROM EMPLOYEES, OR FAILS, NEGLECTS OR
- 16 REFUSES TO DEDUCT OR WITHHOLD THE INCOME TAX FROM EMPLOYEES,
- 17 ANY TAXPAYER OR EMPLOYER WHO REFUSES TO PERMIT THE TAX
- 18 OFFICER APPOINTED BY A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE OR AN
- 19 EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE TAX OFFICER TO EXAMINE BOOKS,
- 20 <u>RECORDS AND PAPERS, AND ANY TAXPAYER OR EMPLOYER WHO</u>
- 21 KNOWINGLY MAKES ANY INCOMPLETE, FALSE OR FRAUDULENT RETURN,
- 22 OR ATTEMPTS TO DO ANYTHING WHATSOEVER TO AVOID THE FULL
- 23 DISCLOSURE OF THE AMOUNT OF INCOME IN ORDER TO AVOID THE
- 24 PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES SHALL, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, BE
- 25 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,500 FOR EACH
- 26 OFFENSE AND REASONABLE COSTS, AND IN DEFAULT OF PAYMENT OF
- 27 SAID FINE AND COSTS, TO IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN SIX
- 28 MONTHS.
- 29 (2) ANY EMPLOYER REQUIRED UNDER THIS CHAPTER TO COLLECT,
- 30 <u>ACCOUNT FOR AND DISTRIBUTE INCOME TAXES WHO WILLFULLY FAILS</u>

- 1 TO COLLECT OR TRUTHFULLY ACCOUNT FOR AND DISTRIBUTE INCOME
- 2 TAXES, COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR AND SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE
- 3 <u>SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$25,000 OR TO</u>
- 4 <u>IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING TWO YEARS, OR BOTH.</u>
- 5 (3) THE PENALTIES IMPOSED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE
- 6 IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER COSTS AND PENALTIES IMPOSED BY THIS
- 7 ACT.
- 8 (4) THE FAILURE OF ANY PERSON TO OBTAIN FORMS REQUIRED
- 9 FOR MAKING THE DECLARATION OR RETURNS REQUIRED BY THIS ACT
- 10 SHALL NOT EXCUSE THE PERSON FROM MAKING THE DECLARATION OR
- 11 <u>RETURN.</u>
- 12 <u>(K) COLLECTION.--IN ADDITION TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES</u>
- 13 ENUMERATED IN THIS SECTION, A TAX OFFICER MAY COLLECT OTHER
- 14 TAXES AS PROVIDED BY LAW.
- 15 <u>SECTION 510. FINES AND PENALTIES AGAINST TAX OFFICERS.</u>
- 16 (A) DISTRIBUTION OF NONRESIDENT INCOME TAXES. -- THE ATTORNEY
- 17 GENERAL, A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 18 THAT BRINGS AN ACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (E) WITH RESPECT TO
- 19 <u>DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 513 MAY SEEK</u>
- 20 EQUITABLE RELIEF FROM A TAX OFFICER, INCLUDING AN ACCOUNTING OF
- 21 ALL UNDISTRIBUTED INCOME TAXES AND MONETARY DAMAGES, IN THE FORM
- 22 OF RECOVERY OF THE INCOME TAXES NOT PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED PLUS
- 23 INTEREST CALCULATED FROM THE DATE THAT THE INCOME TAXES SHOULD
- 24 HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED. IN ADDITION, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL
- 25 PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500 FOR EACH QUARTER FOR WHICH INCOME
- 26 TAXES WERE NOT DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 513, PLUS
- 27 REASONABLE COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES. IF A TAX OFFICER FAILS TO
- 28 DISTRIBUTE INCOME TAXES TO THE APPROPRIATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 29 AS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 513 FOR FOUR CONSECUTIVE TAX QUARTERS,
- 30 THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000. IN

- 1 ADDITION, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$100 PER DAY
- 2 FOR EVERY DAY PAST THE DEADLINE THAT A TAX OFFICER DOES NOT
- 3 RESPOND TO A CLAIM UNDER SECTION 513(B).
- 4 (B) MONTHLY REPORTS AND AUDITS OF INCOME TAXES. -- IF A TAX
- 5 OFFICER FAILS TO SUBMIT THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER SECTION
- 6 509(B), A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
- 7 ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE REPORT MAY BRING AN ACTION IN THE COURT
- 8 OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE TAX COLLECTION
- 9 DISTRICT IS PRIMARILY LOCATED. THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL
- 10 PENALTY OF \$20 A DAY FOR EACH DAY THAT THE REPORT IS OVERDUE,
- 11 NOT TO EXCEED \$500. IF AN EXAMINATION SUBMITTED UNDER SECTION
- 12 <u>505(H) INCLUDES ANY FINDINGS OF NONCOMPLIANCE, THE COURT MAY</u>
- 13 IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL CIVIL PENALTY OF NOT LESS THAN \$500 BUT NOT
- 14 MORE THAN \$2,500.
- 15 (C) FAILURE OF DUTY. -- AN ACTION MAY BE BROUGHT AGAINST THE
- 16 TAX OFFICER TO COMPEL THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES REQUIRED BY THIS
- 17 CHAPTER OR IMPOSED BY REGULATIONS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS
- 18 CHAPTER, INCLUDING THE DUTY TO DELIVER ALL TAX RECORDS AND OTHER
- 19 OFFICIAL ITEMS HELD IN RIGHT AS TAX OFFICER TO THE TAX OFFICER'S
- 20 <u>SUCCESSOR. UPON A FINDING OF FAILURE TO PERFORM A DUTY, THE</u>
- 21 COURT MAY IMPOSE A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000; AND THE TAX
- 22 OFFICER MAY BE HELD LIABLE FOR THE COST OF REPRODUCING TAX
- 23 RECORDS IF THEY ARE LOST OR CANNOT BE DELIVERED.
- 24 (D) OTHER VIOLATIONS. -- A TAX OFFICER WHO VIOLATES ANY OTHER
- 25 PROVISION OF THIS ACT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP
- 26 TO \$2,500 FOR EACH VIOLATION.
- 27 (E) ACTIONS AGAINST A TAX OFFICER. -- AN ACTION AGAINST A TAX
- 28 OFFICER FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER MAY BE BROUGHT BY THE
- 29 ATTORNEY GENERAL, A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT OR A POLITICAL
- 30 SUBDIVISION FOR WHICH THE TAX OFFICER COLLECTS INCOME TAXES, A

- 1 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE OWED INCOME
- 2 TAXES BY THE TAX OFFICER OR BY A SURETY.
- 3 (F) RESCINDED APPOINTMENT.--
- 4 (1) A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL TEMPORARILY REMOVE
- 5 A TAX OFFICER IF A CRIMINAL ACTION IS COMMENCED AGAINST THE
- 6 TAX OFFICER FOR AN OFFENSE WHICH WOULD CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION
- 7 OF THE STANDARDS OF OFFICE UNDER SECTION 504(B). IF THE TAX
- 8 OFFICER IS CONVICTED IN THE ACTION, THE TAX COLLECTION
- 9 <u>COMMITTEE SHALL RESCIND THE APPOINTMENT AND REMOVE THE TAX</u>
- 10 OFFICER PERMANENTLY.
- 11 (2) A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MAY REMOVE OR RESCIND THE
- 12 APPOINTMENT OF A TAX OFFICER WHERE THE TAX OFFICER OR AN
- 13 <u>EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE TAX OFFICER VIOLATES CONFIDENTIALITY</u>
- 14 PROVISIONS UNDER SECTION 514(B).
- 15 (3) A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MAY REMOVE OR RESCIND THE
- 16 APPOINTMENT OF A TAX OFFICER FOR JUST CAUSE.
- 17 (4) A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MAY NOT RETAIN A TAX
- 18 OFFICER WHO HAS BEEN PENALIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (A), (B), (C)
- 19 OR (D) MORE THAN THREE TIMES.
- 20 (G) INTERPRETATION. -- A TAX OFFICER SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED A
- 21 DEBT COLLECTOR FOR PURPOSES OF THE ACT OF MARCH 28, 2000
- 22 (P.L.23, NO.7), KNOWN AS THE FAIR CREDIT EXTENSION UNIFORMITY
- 23 ACT. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED IN THIS ACT, A TAX OFFICER
- 24 SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS IMPOSED ON
- 25 <u>CREDITORS. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE FAIR CREDIT</u>
- 26 EXTENSION UNIFORMITY ACT, THIS ACT SHALL SUPERSEDE ANY
- 27 RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS ON CREDITORS OTHERWISE APPLICABLE
- 28 UNDER THE FAIR CREDIT EXTENSION UNIFORMITY ACT.
- 29 <u>SECTION 511. TAX REGISTERS.</u>
- 30 (A) REQUIREMENT. -- THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN A TAX

1	REGISTER AND AN OFFICIAL REGISTER. ALL OF THE FOLLOWING SHALL
2	APPLY:
3	(1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN A TAX REGISTER ON THE
4	DEPARTMENT'S INTERNET WEBSITE. INFORMATION FOR THE TAX
5	REGISTER SHALL BE FURNISHED BY EACH COUNTY AND EACH POLITICAL
6	SUBDIVISION TO THE DEPARTMENT AS PRESCRIBED BY THE
7	DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONTINUOUSLY UPDATE THE TAX
8	REGISTER.
9	(2) AS PART OF THE TAX REGISTER UNDER PARAGRAPH (1), THE
LO	DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN AN OFFICIAL REGISTER. THE
L1	REQUIREMENT TO MAINTAIN AN OFFICIAL REGISTER IN ACCORDANCE
L2	WITH THIS SECTION SHALL SUPERSEDE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AN
L3	OFFICIAL REGISTER IN ANY ACT.
L4	(3) THE OFFICIAL REGISTER SHALL BE ORGANIZED BY
L5	MUNICIPALITY AND SHALL LIST:
L6	(I) EACH MUNICIPALITY AND COTERMINOUS SCHOOL
L7	DISTRICT.
L8	(II) THE EFFECTIVE INCOME TAX RATE ON TAXPAYERS WHO
L9	RESIDE IN THE MUNICIPALITY.
20	(III) THE EFFECTIVE INCOME TAX RATE ON TAXPAYERS WHO
21	RESIDE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
22	(IV) THE COMBINED MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT
23	INCOME TAX RATE ON TAXPAYERS RESIDING IN EACH
24	MUNICIPALITY.
25	(V) THE INCOME TAX RATE ON TAXPAYERS WORKING WITHIN
26	THE MUNICIPALITY.
27	(VI) WHETHER AN INCOME TAX IS A PERSONAL INCOME TAX
28	LEVIED UNDER THE HOMEOWNER TAX RELIEF ACT OR ANY OTHER
29	ACT.
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1	TAX RATE ON TAXPAYERS WORKING WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY.
2	(VIII) THE EFFECTIVE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL
3	SERVICES TAX RATE ON TAXPAYERS WORKING WITHIN THE SCHOOL
4	DISTRICT.
5	(IX) THE COMBINED MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT
6	EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX RATE.
7	(X) THE AMOUNT OF ANY OTHER WITHHOLDING TAX.
8	(XI) THE NAME, TELEPHONE NUMBER, ADDRESS, E-MAIL AND
9	INTERNET ADDRESS, WHERE AVAILABLE, OF THE TAX OFFICER
10	RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE COLLECTION OF THE TAX.
11	(XII) ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE
12	DEPARTMENT.
13	(4) EACH YEAR THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UPDATE AND OFFICIALLY
14	RELEASE WITHHOLDING TAX RATES ON THE OFFICIAL REGISTER ON
15	JUNE 15 AND DECEMBER 15. TAX RATES RELEASED ON JUNE 15 SHALL
16	BECOME EFFECTIVE JULY 1. TAX RATES RELEASED ON DECEMBER 15
17	SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THE
18	DEPARTMENT MAY REVISE THE NOTIFICATION, OFFICIAL RELEASE AND
19	EFFECTIVE DATES OF THE REGISTER FOR GOOD CAUSE. SIX MONTHS
20	PRIOR TO THE REVISION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY EACH
21	AFFECTED POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE REVISION AND SHALL
22	PUBLISH NOTICE OF THE REVISION IN THE PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN.
23	(5) INFORMATION FOR THE OFFICIAL REGISTER SHALL BE
24	FURNISHED BY EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION TO THE DEPARTMENT AS
25	PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND SHALL INCLUDE A COPY OF THE
26	ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ENACTING, REPEALING OR CHANGING THE
27	TAX. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE NOTIFIED OF CHANGES TO THE
28	OFFICIAL REGISTER AS FOLLOWS:
29	(I) NEW WITHHOLDING TAX ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND
30	CHANGES SHALL BE RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN

1 JUNE 1 TO REQUIRE WITHHOLDING OF A NEW TAX, WITHHOLDING 2 AT A NEW RATE OR TO SUSPEND WITHHOLDING OF SUCH TAX 3 EFFECTIVE JULY 1 OF THAT YEAR. ALL NEW WITHHOLDING TAX 4 ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND CHANGES RECEIVED BY THE 5 DEPARTMENT BY JUNE 1 SHALL BE OFFICIALLY RELEASED BY THE DEPARTMENT JUNE 15 AND BECOME EFFECTIVE JULY 1. FAILURE 6 7 OF THE DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE INFORMATION BY JUNE 1 FROM POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS REGARDING CURRENT WITHHOLDING TAX 8 9 RATES, NEW WITHHOLDING TAX ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND 10 CHANGES SHALL BE CONSTRUED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO MEAN THAT 11 THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PREVIOUS DECEMBER 15 12 RELEASE OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTER IS STILL IN FORCE. 13 INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT AFTER JUNE 1 BUT 14 BEFORE DECEMBER 1 SHALL BE OFFICIALLY RELEASED ON 15 DECEMBER 15. 16 (II) NEW WITHHOLDING TAX ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND CHANGES SHALL BE RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN 17 18 DECEMBER 1 TO REQUIRE WITHHOLDING OF A NEW TAX, 19 WITHHOLDING AT A NEW RATE OR TO SUSPEND WITHHOLDING OF 20 SUCH TAX EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. ALL 21 NEW WITHHOLDING TAX ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND CHANGES 22 RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY DECEMBER 1 SHALL BE 23 OFFICIALLY RELEASED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON DECEMBER 15 AND 24 BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FAILURE 25 OF THE DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE INFORMATION BY DECEMBER 1 26 FROM POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS REGARDING CURRENT WITHHOLDING 27 TAX RATES, NEW WITHHOLDING TAX ENACTMENTS, REPEALS AND 28 CHANGES SHALL BE CONSTRUED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO MEAN THAT 29 THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PREVIOUS JUNE 15 RELEASE 30 OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTER IS STILL IN FORCE. INFORMATION

1	RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT AFTER DECEMBER 1 BUT BEFORE
2	JUNE 1 SHALL BE OFFICIALLY RELEASED ON JUNE 15.
3	(6) EMPLOYERS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO DEDUCT FROM THE
4	COMPENSATION OF THEIR EMPLOYEES OR MAKE REPORTS OF
5	COMPENSATION IN CONNECTION WITH ANY WITHHOLDING TAX THAT IS
6	NOT RELEASED ON THE OFFICIAL REGISTER AS OF JUNE 15 AND
7	DECEMBER 15 OF EACH YEAR AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPHS (4) AND
8	(5). NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY, NO POLITICAL
9	SUBDIVISION OR TAX OFFICER MAY REQUIRE ANY EMPLOYER TO DEDUCT
LO	A WITHHOLDING TAX AT A RATE OR AMOUNT THAT IS NOT RELEASED ON
L1	THE OFFICIAL REGISTER. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL
L2	NOT AFFECT THE LIABILITY OF ANY TAXPAYER FOR WITHHOLDING
L3	TAXES LAWFULLY IMPOSED UNDER THIS ACT.
L4	(7) AN EMPLOYER MAY WITHHOLD AT THE MOST RECENTLY
L5	AVAILABLE RATE ON THE TAX REGISTER EVEN IF SUCH RATE IS
L6	DIFFERENT THAN THE TAX RATE RELEASED ON THE OFFICIAL REGISTER
L7	AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPHS (4) AND (5), PROVIDED THAT AN
L8	EMPLOYER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO WITHHOLD AT A TAX RATE THAT
L9	IS NOT RELEASED ON THE OFFICIAL REGISTER.
20	(8) NO EMPLOYER SHALL BE HELD LIABLE FOR FAILURE TO
21	WITHHOLD AN INCOME TAX FROM AN EMPLOYEE IF THE FAILURE TO
22	WITHHOLD THE INCOME TAX ARISES FROM INCORRECT INFORMATION
23	SUBMITTED BY THE EMPLOYEE AS TO THE EMPLOYEE'S PLACE OF
24	RESIDENCE.
25	(9) NO EMPLOYER SHALL BE HELD LIABLE FOR FAILURE TO
26	WITHHOLD THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX OR FOR THE
27	PAYMENT OF TAX MONEY WITHHELD TO A TAX OFFICER IF THE FAILURE
28	TO WITHHOLD THE TAXES ARISES FROM INCORRECT INFORMATION
29	SUBMITTED BY THE EMPLOYEE AS TO THE EMPLOYEE'S PLACE OF
30	EMPLOYMENT, THE EMPLOYEE'S PRINCIPAL OFFICE OR WHERE THE

- 1 EMPLOYEE IS PRINCIPALLY EMPLOYED.
- 2 (B) DEFINITION. -- AS USED IN THIS SECTION, NOTWITHSTANDING
- 3 <u>SECTION 501, THE TERMS "INCOME TAX" AND "WITHHOLDING TAX"</u>
- 4 INCLUDE A TAX ASSESSED ON THE INCOME OF A TAXPAYER AND LEVIED BY
- 5 A MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ACT OF AUGUST 5, 1932 (SP.SESS.,
- 6 P.L.45, NO.45), REFERRED TO AS THE STERLING ACT.
- 7 <u>SECTION 512. WITHHOLDING AND REMITTANCE.</u>
- 8 INCOME TAXES SHALL BE WITHHELD, REMITTED AND DISTRIBUTED AS
- 9 FOLLOWS:
- 10 (1) EVERY EMPLOYER HAVING AN OFFICE, FACTORY, WORKSHOP,
- BRANCH, WAREHOUSE OR OTHER PLACE OF BUSINESS WITHIN A TAX
- 12 COLLECTION DISTRICT WHO EMPLOYS ONE OR MORE PERSONS, OTHER
- 13 THAN DOMESTIC SERVANTS, FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION OR
- 14 OTHER COMPENSATION, WHO HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED, SHALL,
- 15 WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER BECOMING AN EMPLOYER, REGISTER WITH THE
- 16 TAX OFFICER THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE EMPLOYER AND SUCH
- 17 OTHER INFORMATION AS THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE.
- 18 (2) AN EMPLOYER SHALL REQUIRE EACH NEW EMPLOYEE TO
- 19 COMPLETE A CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY FORM, WHICH SHALL BE AN
- 20 ADDENDUM TO THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEE'S WITHHOLDING ALLOWANCE
- 21 CERTIFICATE (FORM W-4). AN EMPLOYER SHALL ALSO REQUIRE ANY
- 22 EMPLOYEE WHO CHANGES THEIR ADDRESS OR DOMICILE TO COMPLETE A
- 23 CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY FORM. UPON REQUEST, CERTIFICATE OF
- 24 RESIDENCY FORMS SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE
- 25 CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY FORM SHALL PROVIDE INFORMATION TO
- 26 <u>HELP IDENTIFY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WHERE AN EMPLOYEE</u>
- 27 LIVES AND WORKS.
- 28 (3) EVERY EMPLOYER HAVING AN OFFICE, FACTORY, WORKSHOP,
- 29 BRANCH, WAREHOUSE OR OTHER PLACE OF BUSINESS WITHIN A
- 30 DISTRICT THAT EMPLOYS ONE OR MORE PERSONS, OTHER THAN

1 DOMESTIC SERVANTS, FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION OR OTHER 2 COMPENSATION, SHALL, AT THE TIME OF PAYMENT, DEDUCT FROM THE 3 COMPENSATION DUE EACH EMPLOYEE THE GREATER OF THE EMPLOYEE'S 4 RESIDENT INCOME TAX OR THE EMPLOYEE'S NONRESIDENT INCOME TAX 5 AS RELEASED IN THE OFFICIAL REGISTER UNDER SECTION 511. (4) EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (5), WITHIN 30 DAYS 6 7 FOLLOWING THE END OF THE CALENDAR QUARTER, EVERY EMPLOYER 8 SHALL FILE A OUARTERLY RETURN AND PAY TO THE TAX OFFICER THE 9 AMOUNT OF INCOME TAXES DEDUCTED DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR 10 QUARTER. THE FORM SHALL SHOW THE NAME, ADDRESS AND SOCIAL 11 SECURITY NUMBER OF EACH EMPLOYEE, THE COMPENSATION OF THE 12 EMPLOYEE DURING THE PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD, THE INCOME 13 TAX DEDUCTED FROM THE EMPLOYEE, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS 14 IMPOSING THE INCOME TAX UPON THE EMPLOYEE, THE TOTAL 15 COMPENSATION OF ALL EMPLOYEES DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR 16 QUARTER, THE TOTAL INCOME TAX DEDUCTED FROM THE EMPLOYEES AND 17 PAID WITH THE RETURN AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION PRESCRIBED BY 18 THE DEPARTMENT. 19 (5) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (4), THE PROVISIONS OF 20 THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL APPLY IF AN EMPLOYER HAS MORE THAN ONE 21 PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT IN MORE THAN ONE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT. 22 WITHIN 30 DAYS FOLLOWING THE LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH, THE 23 EMPLOYER MAY FILE THE RETURN REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (4) AND 24 PAY THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCOME TAXES DEDUCTED FROM EMPLOYEES 25 IN ALL WORK LOCATIONS DURING THE PRECEDING MONTH TO THE TAX 26 OFFICER FOR EITHER THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH THE 27 EMPLOYER'S PAYROLL OPERATIONS ARE LOCATED OR AS DETERMINED BY 28 THE DEPARTMENT. THE RETURN AND INCOME TAXES DEDUCTED SHALL BE 29 FILED AND PAID ELECTRONICALLY. THE EMPLOYER MUST FILE A

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO FILE COMBINED RETURNS AND MAKE

1	COMBINED PAYMENTS WITH THE TAX OFFICER FOR EACH PLACE OF
2	EMPLOYMENT AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE FILING ITS FIRST
3	COMBINED RETURN OR MAKING ITS FIRST COMBINED PAYMENT. THIS
4	PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO CHANGE THE LOCATION OF AN
5	EMPLOYEE'S PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR PURPOSES OF NONRESIDENT
6	INCOME TAX LIABILITY.
7	(6) ANY EMPLOYER WHO FOR TWO OF THE PRECEDING FOUR
8	QUARTERLY PERIODS HAS FAILED TO DEDUCT THE PROPER INCOME TAX,
9	OR ANY PART OF THE INCOME TAX, OR HAS FAILED TO PAY OVER THE
10	PROPER AMOUNT OF INCOME TAX AS REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (3) TO
11	THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT, MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE TAX
12	OFFICER TO FILE RETURNS AND PAY THE INCOME TAX MONTHLY. IN
13	SUCH CASES, PAYMENTS OF INCOME TAX SHALL BE MADE TO THE TAX
14	OFFICER ON OR BEFORE THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH SUCCEEDING THE
15	MONTH FOR WHICH THE INCOME TAX WAS WITHHELD.
16	(7) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28 OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR,
17	EVERY EMPLOYER SHALL FILE WITH THE TAX OFFICER WHERE INCOME
18	TAXES HAVE BEEN DEDUCTED AND REMITTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH
19	<u>(3):</u>
20	(I) AN ANNUAL RETURN SHOWING, FOR THE PERIOD
21	BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND ENDING
22	DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF
23	COMPENSATION PAID, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCOME TAX
24	DEDUCTED, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCOME TAX PAID TO THE TAX
25	OFFICER AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION PRESCRIBED BY THE
26	DEPARTMENT.
27	(II) A RETURN WITHHOLDING STATEMENT, WHICH MAY BE
28	INTEGRATED WITH THE FEDERAL WAGE AND TAX STATEMENT (FORM
29	W-2), FOR EACH EMPLOYEE EMPLOYED DURING ALL OR ANY PART
30	OF THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND

1	ENDING DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, SETTING FORTH THE
2	ADDRESS AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, THE AMOUNT OF
3	COMPENSATION PAID TO THE EMPLOYEE DURING THE PERIOD, THE
4	AMOUNT OF INCOME TAX DEDUCTED, THE AMOUNT OF INCOME TAX
5	PAID TO THE TAX OFFICER, THE NUMERICAL CODE PRESCRIBED BY
6	THE DEPARTMENT REPRESENTING THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT
7	WHERE THE PAYMENTS REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPHS (4) AND (5)
8	WERE REMITTED AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE
9	DEPARTMENT. EVERY EMPLOYER SHALL FURNISH ONE COPY OF THE
10	INDIVIDUAL RETURN TO THE EMPLOYEE FOR WHOM IT IS FILED.
11	(8) ANY EMPLOYER WHO DISCONTINUES BUSINESS PRIOR TO
12	DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT YEAR SHALL, WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER
13	THE DISCONTINUANCE OF BUSINESS, FILE RETURNS AND WITHHOLDING
14	STATEMENTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION AND PAY THE INCOME TAX
15	DUE.
16	(9) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 511, AN
17	EMPLOYER WHO WILLFULLY OR NEGLIGENTLY FAILS OR OMITS TO MAKE
18	THE DEDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE LIABLE
19	FOR PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES WHICH THE EMPLOYER WAS REQUIRED
20	TO WITHHOLD TO THE EXTENT THAT THE INCOME TAXES HAVE NOT BEEN
21	RECOVERED FROM THE EMPLOYEE. THE FAILURE OR OMISSION OF ANY
22	EMPLOYER TO MAKE THE DEDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION
23	SHALL NOT RELIEVE ANY EMPLOYEE FROM THE PAYMENT OF THE INCOME
24	TAX OR FROM COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING OF
25	DECLARATIONS AND RETURNS.
26	SECTION 513. DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES.
27	(A) GENERAL RULE SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B), ALL OF THE
28	FOLLOWING APPLY:
29	(1) UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED TO OR REQUIRED BY THE TAX

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COLLECTION COMMITTEE, DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES FROM A TAX

Τ	OFFICER TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN THE TAX COLLECTION
2	DISTRICT OR TO OTHER TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS SHALL BE AS
3	FOLLOWS:
4	(I) INCOME TAXES RECEIVED FROM EMPLOYERS UNDER
5	SECTION 512(4) SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE
6	LATER OF:
7	(A) RECEIPT; OR
8	(B) THE DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT UNDER SECTION
9	<u>512(4).</u>
10	(II) INCOME TAXES RECEIVED FROM EMPLOYERS UNDER
11	SECTION 512(5) SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE
12	LAST DAY OF THE MONTH.
13	(III) INCOME TAXES RECEIVED FROM TAXPAYERS AND OTHER
14	TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED WITHIN 60
15	DAYS OF RECEIPT.
16	(2) A TAX OFFICER SHALL MAINTAIN A RECORD OF ALL INCOME
17	TAXES DISTRIBUTED UNDER THIS SECTION, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE ALL
18	OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REPORTS UNDER SECTION
19	512(4) AND (5), THE DATE OF DISTRIBUTION, THE POLITICAL
20	SUBDIVISION OR TAX OFFICER TO WHICH THE INCOME TAXES ARE
21	DISTRIBUTED AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE
22	DEPARTMENT. THE RECORD SHALL BE PROVIDED TO ANOTHER TAX
23	COLLECTION DISTRICT AT THE TIME OF DISTRIBUTION.
24	(3) A TAX OFFICER WHO, WITHIN TWO YEARS AFTER RECEIVING
25	AN INCOME TAX PAYMENT, CANNOT IDENTIFY THE POLITICAL
26	SUBDIVISION ENTITLED TO THE INCOME TAX PAYMENT SHALL MAKE
27	PAYMENT TO THE MUNICIPALITY IN WHICH THE INCOME TAX WAS
28	COLLECTED.
29	(B) OTHER TAX COLLECTION DISTRICTS IN ADDITION TO
30	SUBSECTION (A), FOR DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME TAXES TO OTHER TAX

- 1 COLLECTION DISTRICTS, THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:
- 2 (1) IF NONRESIDENT INCOME TAXES ARE NOT DISTRIBUTED TO
- 3 THE APPROPRIATE TAX OFFICER AS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION
- 4 (A)(1), A TAX OFFICER MAY MAKE A CLAIM FOR INCOME TAXES
- 5 ATTRIBUTABLE TO RESIDENTS OF THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT
- 6 SERVED BY THAT TAX OFFICER. THE TAX OFFICER FOR THE TAX
- 7 COLLECTION DISTRICT AGAINST WHICH A CLAIM IS MADE SHALL,
- 8 WITHIN 30 DAYS:
- 9 <u>(I) PAY THE CLAIM IF IT IS UNDISPUTED; OR</u>
- 10 (II) RESPOND IN WRITING STATING THE REASONS WHY THE
- 11 <u>CLAIM CANNOT BE PAID.</u>
- 12 (2) IF THE TAX OFFICER FOR THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT
- AGAINST WHICH THE CLAIM IS MADE DOES NOT ACT UNDER PARAGRAPH
- 14 (1)(I) OR (II), THE TAX OFFICER MAKING THE CLAIM MAY BRING AN
- 15 ACTION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH
- 16 THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IS PRIMARILY LOCATED FOR BOTH THE
- 17 AMOUNT OF THE CLAIM AND INTEREST AT THE RATE PROVIDED FOR IN
- 18 53 PA.C.S. § 8426 (RELATING TO INTEREST ON OVERPAYMENT) FROM
- 19 THE DATE WHICH THE INCOME TAXES WERE RECEIVED FROM THE
- 20 TAXPAYER, EMPLOYER OR OTHER TAX OFFICER, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY
- 21 OTHER LAW TO THE CONTRARY, AN ACTION UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH
- 22 MUST BE BROUGHT WITHIN SEVEN YEARS AFTER THE CLAIM IS MADE.
- 23 (C) CODES.--EMPLOYERS AND TAX OFFICERS SHALL USE POLITICAL
- 24 SUBDIVISION AND TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT CODES PRESCRIBED BY THE
- 25 DEPARTMENT.
- 26 (D) FEE EXEMPTION. -- A TAX OFFICER IS NOT REQUIRED TO PAY A
- 27 FEE OR COMMISSION TO ANOTHER TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT FOR INCOME
- 28 TAXES DISTRIBUTED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 29 <u>SECTION 514. CONFIDENTIALITY.</u>
- 30 (A) GENERAL RULE. -- ANY INFORMATION GAINED BY A TAX OFFICER

- 1 OR ANY EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF A TAX OFFICER OR OF THE TAX
- 2 COLLECTION COMMITTEE AS A RESULT OF ANY DECLARATIONS, RETURNS,
- 3 INVESTIGATIONS, HEARINGS OR VERIFICATIONS SHALL BE CONFIDENTIAL
- 4 TAX INFORMATION.
- 5 (B) PROHIBITED CONDUCT.--IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL, EXCEPT FOR
- 6 OFFICIAL PURPOSES OR AS PROVIDED BY LAW, FOR THE COMMONWEALTH,
- 7 ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER, TAX
- 8 OFFICER, OR EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF A TAX OFFICER OR TAX COLLECTION
- 9 COMMITTEE TO DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 10 (1) DIVULGE OR MAKE KNOWN CONFIDENTIAL TAX INFORMATION.
- 11 (2) PERMIT CONFIDENTIAL TAX INFORMATION OR A BOOK
- 12 CONTAINING AN ABSTRACT OR PARTICULARS OF THE ABSTRACT TO BE
- SEEN OR EXAMINED BY ANY PERSON.
- 14 (3) PRINT, PUBLISH OR OTHERWISE MAKE KNOWN ANY
- 15 CONFIDENTIAL TAX INFORMATION.
- 16 (C) PENALTIES. -- A PERSON THAT VIOLATES SUBSECTION (B)
- 17 COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE AND SHALL, UPON
- 18 CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,500
- 19 OR TO IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR, OR BOTH. IF THE
- 20 OFFENDER IS A MEMBER OF THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE, THE MEMBER
- 21 SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. IF THE
- 22 OFFENDER IS AN EMPLOYEE OF A TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE OR A
- 23 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, THE EMPLOYEE SHALL BE DISCHARGED FROM
- 24 EMPLOYMENT. THE OFFENDER SHALL PAY THE COSTS OF PROSECUTION.
- 25 SECTION 515. TRANSITION.
- 26 (A) FINES AND PENALTIES AGAINST ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICERS.--
- 27 (1) A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WHICH BRINGS AN ACTION UNDER
- 28 FORMER DIVISION V(H) OF SECTION 13 MAY SEEK EQUITABLE RELIEF
- FROM AN ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER, INCLUDING AN ACCOUNTING OF
- 30 ALL UNDISTRIBUTED INCOME TAXES AND MONETARY DAMAGES, IN THE

- 1 FORM OF RECOVERY OF THE INCOME TAXES NOT PREVIOUSLY
- 2 <u>DISTRIBUTED. IN ADDITION, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL</u>
- 3 PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500 FOR EACH QUARTER FOR WHICH
- 4 INCOME TAXES WERE NOT DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH FORMER
- 5 DIVISION V(H) OF SECTION 13, PLUS REASONABLE COSTS AND
- 6 ATTORNEY FEES.
- 7 (2) IF AN ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER FAILS TO DISTRIBUTE
- 8 INCOME TAXES TO THE APPROPRIATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AS
- 9 REQUIRED UNDER FORMER DIVISION V(H) OF SECTION 13 FOR FOUR
- 10 CONSECUTIVE QUARTERS, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY
- 11 NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.
- 12 (3) AN ACTION MAY BE BROUGHT AGAINST THE ARTICLE XIII
- 13 TAX OFFICER TO COMPEL THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES REQUIRED BY
- 14 CHAPTER 3 OR FORMER SECTION 13 OR IMPOSED BY REGULATIONS
- 15 ADOPTED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 5, INCLUDING THE DUTY TO DELIVER
- 16 ALL TAX RECORDS AND OTHER OFFICIAL ITEMS HELD IN RIGHT AS TAX
- 17 COLLECTOR TO THE TAX COLLECTOR'S SUCCESSOR. UPON A FINDING OF
- 18 FAILURE TO PERFORM A DUTY, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A PENALTY NOT
- 19 TO EXCEED \$5,000; AND THE TAX COLLECTOR MAY BE HELD LIABLE
- 20 FOR THE COST OR REPRODUCING TAX RECORDS IF THEY ARE LOST OR
- 21 CANNOT BE DELIVERED.
- 22 (4) AN ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER WHO VIOLATES ANY OTHER
- 23 PROVISION OF THIS SECTION OR FORMER SECTION 13 SHALL BE
- 24 SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO \$2,500 FOR EACH
- 25 <u>VIOLATION</u>.
- 26 (5) AN ACTION AGAINST AN ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER FOR A
- 27 VIOLATION OF THIS ACT MAY BE BROUGHT BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
- 28 A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR WHICH THE ARTICLE XIII TAX
- 29 OFFICER COLLECTS INCOME TAXES, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OWED
- 30 INCOME TAXES BY THE ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER OR BY A SURETY

- 1 THAT IS LIABLE BECAUSE OF THE VIOLATION.
- 2 (6) A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL REMOVE OR RESCIND THE
- 3 APPOINTMENT OF AN ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER WHO HAS BEEN
- 4 PENALIZED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1), (2), (3) OR (4) MORE THAN
- 5 THREE TIMES.
- 6 (B) TRANSITION PLAN. -- BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, EACH TAX
- 7 COLLECTION COMMITTEE SHALL DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION FROM THE
- 8 ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER TO THE NEWLY APPOINTED TAX OFFICER. THE
- 9 FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED TO BY THE
- 10 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND THE ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER:
- 11 (1) EVERY EMPLOYER SHALL REMIT INCOME TAXES WITHHELD FOR
- 12 THE LAST QUARTER IN 2008, THE QUARTERLY REPORT REQUIRED UNDER
- THE FORMER DIVISION IV(B) OF SECTION 13 FOR THE LAST QUARTER
- 14 IN 2008, AND THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008, REQUIRED BY THE
- 15 FORMER DIVISION IV(C) OF SECTION 13 TO THE ARTICLE XIII TAX
- 16 OFFICERS.
- 17 (2) THE ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER SHALL:
- 18 (I) PROCESS 2008 TAX RETURNS, MAKE REFUNDS AND
- 19 RECONCILE THE ACCOUNTS FOR 2008.
- 20 (II) TURN OVER ALL TAX RECORDS TO THE POLITICAL
- 21 SUBDIVISION AND THE NEWLY APPOINTED TAX OFFICER BY JUNE
- 22 30, 2009.
- 23 (3) ANY DELINOUENT INCOME TAXES OR REPORTS FROM 2008, OR
- 24 PREVIOUS YEARS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN REMITTED OR PROVIDED TO THE
- 25 ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER BY JUNE 30, 2009, SHALL BECOME THE
- 26 RESPONSIBILITY OF AND BE FILED WITH THE NEWLY APPOINTED TAX
- 27 OFFICER. A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WHICH HAS MADE OTHER
- 28 PROVISIONS FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT INCOME TAXES OR
- 29 REPORTS FROM 2008 OR PREVIOUS YEARS SHALL NOTIFY THE NEWLY
- 30 APPOINTED TAX OFFICER FOR 2009.

- 1 (4) EMPLOYERS SHALL REMIT INCOME TAXES WITHHELD AND MAKE
- 2 REPORTS AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 512 FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF
- 3 <u>2009 AND THEREAFTER TO THE NEWLY APPOINTED TAX OFFICER.</u>
- 4 <u>SECTION 516. REGULATORY CONFLICT.</u>
- 5 IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN A REGULATION UNDER THIS
- 6 CHAPTER AND A REGULATION UNDER THE ACT OF JUNE 27, 2006 (1ST
- 7 SP.SESS., P.L. , NO.1), KNOWN AS THE TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT, IN
- 8 THE AREA OF TAX COLLECTION, THE REGULATION UNDER THIS CHAPTER
- 9 SHALL PREVAIL.
- 10 SECTION 23.3. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A CHAPTER HEADING
- 11 TO READ:
- 12 <u>CHAPTER 7</u>
- 13 <u>COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES</u>
- 14 SECTION 23.4. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO
- 15 READ:
- 16 SECTION 701. DEFINITIONS.--AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER:
- 17 "BUSINESS ENTITY" MEANS A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, CORPORATION,
- 18 JOINT-STOCK ASSOCIATION OR COMPANY, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED
- 19 PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, ASSOCIATION, BUSINESS
- 20 TRUST, SYNDICATE OR OTHER COMMERCIAL OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY
- 21 ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH OR ANY OTHER
- 22 JURISDICTION.
- 23 "EMPLOYER" MEANS A PERSON, BUSINESS ENTITY OR OTHER ENTITY,
- 24 INCLUDING THE COMMONWEALTH, ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND
- 25 <u>INSTRUMENTALITIES AND PUBLIC AUTHORITIES</u>, <u>EMPLOYING ONE OR MORE</u>
- 26 PERSONS FOR A SALARY, WAGE, COMMISSION OR OTHER COMPENSATION.
- 27 "PRIVATE AGENCY" MEANS A PERSON OR BUSINESS ENTITY APPOINTED
- 28 AS A TAX COLLECTOR BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.
- 29 SECTION 24. SECTION 18 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 30 SECTION [18] <u>701.1</u>. DISTRESS AND SALE OF GOODS AND CHATTELS

- 1 OF TAXPAYER. -- EVERY TAX COLLECTOR UNDER CHAPTER 3 AND TAX
- 2 OFFICER UNDER CHAPTER 5 SHALL HAVE POWER, IN CASE OF THE NEGLECT
- 3 OR REFUSAL OF ANY PERSON[, COPARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, OR
- 4 CORPORATION] OR BUSINESS ENTITY, TO MAKE PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT
- 5 OF ANY TAX DUE [BY HIM] FROM THE PERSON OR THE BUSINESS ENTITY,
- 6 AFTER TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE TAX NOTICE, TO LEVY THE
- 7 AMOUNT OF SUCH TAX, ANY PENALTY DUE THEREON AND COSTS, NOT
- 8 EXCEEDING COSTS AND CHARGES ALLOWED CONSTABLES FOR SIMILAR
- 9 SERVICES BY DISTRESS AND SALE OF THE GOODS AND CHATTELS OF SUCH
- 10 DELINQUENT, WHEREVER SITUATE OR FOUND, UPON GIVING AT LEAST TEN
- 11 DAYS' PUBLIC NOTICE OF SUCH SALE, BY POSTING TEN WRITTEN OR
- 12 PRINTED NOTICES, AND BY ONE ADVERTISEMENT IN A NEWSPAPER OF
- 13 GENERAL CIRCULATION PUBLISHED IN THE COUNTY.
- 14 NO FAILURE TO DEMAND OR COLLECT ANY TAXES BY DISTRESS AND
- 15 SALE OF GOODS AND CHATTELS SHALL INVALIDATE ANY RETURN MADE, OR
- 16 LIEN FILED FOR NONPAYMENT OF TAXES, OR ANY TAX SALE FOR THE
- 17 COLLECTION OF TAXES.
- 18 SECTION 25. SECTION 19 OF THE ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 4, 1978
- 19 (P.L.930, NO.177), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 20 SECTION [19] 702. COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT PER CAPITA,
- 21 OCCUPATION, OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE AND [EARNED] INCOME TAXES
- 22 FROM EMPLOYERS, ETC. -- THE TAX COLLECTOR UNDER CHAPTER 3 AND THE
- 23 TAX OFFICER UNDER CHAPTER 5 SHALL DEMAND, RECEIVE AND COLLECT
- 24 FROM ALL [CORPORATIONS, POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, ASSOCIATIONS,
- 25 COMPANIES, FIRMS OR INDIVIDUALS, EMPLOYERS EMPLOYING PERSONS
- 26 OWING DELINQUENT PER CAPITA, [OR] OCCUPATION[,] OR OCCUPATIONAL
- 27 PRIVILEGE [AND EARNED] TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 3 OR INCOME TAXES
- 28 <u>UNDER CHAPTER 5</u>, OR WHOSE SPOUSE OWES DELINQUENT PER CAPITA,
- 29 OCCUPATION[,] OR OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE [AND EARNED] TAXES UNDER
- 30 <u>CHAPTER 3 OR</u> INCOME TAXES <u>UNDER CHAPTER 5</u>, OR HAVING IN

- 1 POSSESSION UNPAID COMMISSIONS OR EARNINGS BELONGING TO ANY
- 2 PERSON OR PERSONS OWING DELINQUENT PER CAPITA, OCCUPATION[,] OR
- 3 OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE [AND EARNED] TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 3 OR
- 4 INCOME TAXES <u>UNDER CHAPTER 5</u>, OR WHOSE SPOUSE OWES DELINQUENT
- 5 PER CAPITA, OCCUPATION[,] OR OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE [AND EARNED]
- 6 TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 3 OR INCOME TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 5, UPON THE
- 7 PRESENTATION OF A WRITTEN NOTICE AND DEMAND CERTIFYING THAT THE
- 8 INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND CONTAINING
- 9 THE NAME OF THE TAXABLE OR THE SPOUSE THEREOF AND THE AMOUNT OF
- 10 TAX DUE. UPON THE PRESENTATION OF SUCH WRITTEN NOTICE AND
- 11 DEMAND, IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF ANY [SUCH CORPORATION, POLITICAL
- 12 SUBDIVISION, ASSOCIATION, COMPANY, FIRM OR INDIVIDUAL] <u>EMPLOYER</u>
- 13 TO DEDUCT FROM THE WAGES, COMMISSIONS OR EARNINGS OF SUCH
- 14 INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYES, THEN OWING OR THAT SHALL WITHIN SIXTY DAYS
- 15 THEREAFTER BECOME DUE, OR FROM ANY UNPAID COMMISSIONS OR
- 16 EARNINGS OF ANY SUCH TAXABLE IN [ITS OR HIS] THE EMPLOYER'S
- 17 POSSESSION, OR THAT SHALL WITHIN SIXTY DAYS THEREAFTER COME INTO
- 18 [ITS OR HIS] THE EMPLOYER'S POSSESSION, A SUM SUFFICIENT TO PAY
- 19 THE RESPECTIVE AMOUNT OF THE DELINQUENT [PER CAPITA, OCCUPATION,
- 20 OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE AND EARNED INCOME] TAXES AND COSTS, SHOWN
- 21 UPON THE WRITTEN NOTICE OR DEMAND, AND TO PAY THE SAME TO THE
- 22 TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TAXING DISTRICT OR TO THE TAX OFFICER FOR
- 23 THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH SUCH DELINQUENT TAX WAS
- 24 LEVIED WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER SUCH NOTICE SHALL HAVE BEEN
- 25 GIVEN. NO MORE THAN TEN PERCENT OF THE WAGES, COMMISSIONS OR
- 26 EARNINGS OF THE DELINQUENT TAXPAYER OR SPOUSE THEREOF MAY BE
- 27 DEDUCTED AT ANY ONE TIME FOR DELINQUENT [PER CAPITA, OCCUPATION,
- 28 OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE AND EARNED INCOME] TAXES AND COSTS. [SUCH
- 29 CORPORATION, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, ASSOCIATION, FIRM OR
- 30 INDIVIDUAL] THE EMPLOYER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO DEDUCT FROM THE

- 1 MONEYS COLLECTED FROM EACH EMPLOYE THE COSTS INCURRED FROM THE
- 2 EXTRA BOOKKEEPING NECESSARY TO RECORD SUCH TRANSACTIONS, NOT
- 3 EXCEEDING TWO PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY SO COLLECTED AND
- 4 PAID OVER TO THE TAX COLLECTOR OR TAX OFFICER. UPON THE FAILURE
- 5 OF ANY [SUCH CORPORATION, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, ASSOCIATION,
- 6 COMPANY, FIRM OR INDIVIDUAL] EMPLOYER TO DEDUCT THE AMOUNT OF
- 7 SUCH TAXES OR TO PAY THE SAME OVER TO THE TAX COLLECTOR OR TAX
- 8 OFFICER, LESS THE COST OF BOOKKEEPING INVOLVED IN SUCH
- 9 TRANSACTION, AS HEREIN PROVIDED, WITHIN THE TIME HEREBY
- 10 REQUIRED, [SUCH CORPORATION, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, ASSOCIATION,
- 11 COMPANY, FIRM OR INDIVIDUAL] THE EMPLOYER SHALL FORFEIT AND PAY
- 12 THE AMOUNT OF SUCH TAX FOR EACH SUCH TAXABLE WHOSE TAXES ARE NOT
- 13 WITHHELD AND PAID OVER, OR THAT ARE WITHHELD AND NOT PAID OVER
- 14 TOGETHER WITH A PENALTY OF TEN PERCENT ADDED THERETO, TO BE
- 15 RECOVERED BY AN ACTION OF ASSUMPSIT IN A SUIT TO BE INSTITUTED
- 16 BY THE TAX COLLECTOR OR TAX OFFICER, OR BY THE PROPER
- 17 AUTHORITIES OF THE TAXING DISTRICT OR TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT,
- 18 AS DEBTS OF LIKE AMOUNT ARE NOW BY LAW RECOVERABLE, EXCEPT THAT
- 19 SUCH PERSON SHALL NOT HAVE THE BENEFIT OF ANY STAY OF EXECUTION
- 20 OR EXEMPTION LAW. THE TAX COLLECTOR SHALL NOT PROCEED AGAINST A
- 21 SPOUSE OR [HIS] THE SPOUSE'S EMPLOYER UNTIL [HE] THE TAX
- 22 COLLECTOR OR TAX OFFICER HAS PURSUED COLLECTION REMEDIES AGAINST
- 23 THE DELINQUENT TAXPAYER AND [HIS] THE TAXPAYER'S EMPLOYER UNDER
- 24 THIS SECTION.
- 25 SECTION 26. SECTION 20 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 26 SECTION [20] 703. COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT PER CAPITA,
- 27 OCCUPATION, OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE AND [EARNED] INCOME TAXES
- 28 FROM THE COMMONWEALTH. -- UPON PRESENTATION OF A WRITTEN NOTICE
- 29 AND DEMAND UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION, TO THE STATE TREASURER OR
- 30 ANY OTHER FISCAL OFFICER OF THE STATE, OR ITS BOARDS,

- 1 AUTHORITIES, AGENCIES OR COMMISSIONS, IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF
- 2 THE TREASURER OR OFFICER TO DEDUCT FROM THE WAGES THEN OWING, OR
- 3 THAT SHALL WITHIN SIXTY DAYS THEREAFTER BECOME DUE TO ANY
- 4 EMPLOYE, A SUM SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE RESPECTIVE AMOUNT OF THE
- 5 DELINQUENT PER CAPITA, OCCUPATION[,] OR OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE
- 6 [AND EARNED] TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 3 OR INCOME TAXES UNDER CHAPTER
- 7 5 AND COSTS SHOWN ON THE WRITTEN NOTICE. THE SAME SHALL BE PAID
- 8 TO THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TAXING DISTRICT OR THE TAX OFFICER
- 9 OF THE TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH SAID DELINQUENT TAX WAS
- 10 LEVIED WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER SUCH NOTICE SHALL HAVE BEEN
- 11 GIVEN.
- 12 SECTION 27. SECTION 20.1 OF THE ACT, ADDED OCTOBER 18, 1975
- 13 (P.L.425, NO.118), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 14 SECTION [20.1] <u>704</u>. NOTICE.--THE TAX COLLECTOR <u>OR TAX</u>
- 15 OFFICER SHALL, AT LEAST FIFTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE PRESENTATION
- 16 OF A WRITTEN NOTICE AND DEMAND TO THE STATE TREASURER OR OTHER
- 17 FISCAL OFFICER OF THE STATE, OR TO ANY [CORPORATION, POLITICAL
- 18 SUBDIVISION, ASSOCIATION, COMPANY OR INDIVIDUAL] <u>EMPLOYER</u>,
- 19 NOTIFY THE TAXPAYER OWING THE DELINQUENT TAX BY REGISTERED OR
- 20 CERTIFIED MAIL THAT A WRITTEN NOTICE AND DEMAND SHALL BE
- 21 PRESENTED TO [HIS] THE TAXPAYER'S EMPLOYER UNLESS SUCH TAX IS
- 22 PAID. THE RETURN RECEIPT CARD FOR CERTIFIED OR REGISTERED MAIL
- 23 SHALL BE MARKED DELIVERED TO ADDRESSEE ONLY, AND THE COST OF
- 24 NOTIFICATION BY CERTIFIED OR REGISTERED MAIL SHALL BE ADDED TO
- 25 THE COSTS FOR COLLECTING TAXES.
- 26 SECTION 28. SECTION 21 OF THE ACT, AMENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2004
- 27 (P.L.1520, NO.192), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 28 SECTION [21] 705. COLLECTION OF TAXES BY SUIT.--EACH TAXING
- 29 DISTRICT OR PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED
- 30 BY THE TAXING DISTRICT <u>UNDER CHAPTER 3 AND EACH TAX OFFICER</u>

- 1 UNDER CHAPTER 5 SHALL HAVE POWER TO COLLECT UNPAID TAXES FROM
- 2 THE PERSONS OWING SUCH TAXES BY SUIT IN ASSUMPSIT OR OTHER
- 3 APPROPRIATE REMEDY. UPON EACH SUCH JUDGMENT, EXECUTION MAY BE
- 4 ISSUED WITHOUT ANY STAY OR BENEFIT OF ANY EXEMPTION LAW. THE
- 5 RIGHT [OF EACH SUCH TAXING DISTRICT] TO COLLECT UNPAID TAXES
- 6 UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BY
- 7 THE FACT THAT SUCH TAXES HAVE BEEN ENTERED AS LIENS IN THE
- 8 OFFICE OF THE PROTHONOTARY, OR THE FACT THAT THE PROPERTY
- 9 AGAINST WHICH THEY WERE LEVIED HAS BEEN RETURNED TO THE COUNTY
- 10 COMMISSIONERS FOR TAXES FOR PRIOR YEARS.
- 11 SECTION 29. SECTION 22 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 12 SECTION [22] 706. PENALTIES.--EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED
- 13 IN THE CASE OF ANY TAX LEVIED AND ASSESSED UPON [EARNED] INCOME,
- 14 ANY SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL HAVE POWER TO PRESCRIBE AND
- 15 ENFORCE REASONABLE PENALTIES FOR THE NONPAYMENT, WITHIN THE TIME
- 16 FIXED FOR THEIR PAYMENT, OF TAXES IMPOSED UNDER AUTHORITY OF
- 17 THIS ACT AND FOR THE VIOLATIONS OF THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCES
- 18 OR RESOLUTIONS PASSED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THIS ACT.
- 19 IF FOR ANY REASON ANY TAX LEVIED AND ASSESSED UPON [EARNED]
- 20 INCOME BY ANY SUCH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE,
- 21 INTEREST [AT THE RATE OF SIX PERCENT PER ANNUM ON THE AMOUNT OF
- 22 SAID TAX, AND AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY OF ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT
- 23 OF THE AMOUNT OF THE UNPAID TAX FOR EACH MONTH OR FRACTION
- 24 THEREOF DURING WHICH THE TAX REMAINS UNPAID,] AND PENALTIES AS
- 25 PROVIDED IN SECTION 509(I) SHALL BE ADDED AND COLLECTED. WHEN
- 26 SUIT IS BROUGHT FOR THE RECOVERY OF ANY SUCH TAX, THE PERSON
- 27 LIABLE THEREFOR SHALL, IN ADDITION, BE LIABLE FOR THE COSTS OF
- 28 COLLECTION AND THE INTEREST AND PENALTIES HEREIN IMPOSED.
- SECTION 30. SECTIONS 22.1, 22.2 AND 22.3 OF THE ACT, ADDED
- 30 NOVEMBER 30, 2004 (P.L.1520, NO.192), ARE AMENDED TO READ:

- 1 SECTION [22.1] 707. COSTS OF COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT PER
- 2 CAPITA, OCCUPATION, OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE AND [EARNED] INCOME
- 3 TAXES.--(A) A [PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE] BUREAU, POLITICAL
- 4 SUBDIVISION OR PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED BY A GOVERNING BODY OF
- 5 A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR A TAX COLLECTION DISTRICT TO COLLECT
- 6 AND ADMINISTER [A] PER CAPITA, OCCUPATION[,] OR OCCUPATIONAL
- 7 PRIVILEGE TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 3 OR [EARNED INCOME TAX] INCOME
- 8 TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 5 MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT THE REASONABLE
- 9 COSTS INCURRED TO PROVIDE NOTICES OF DELINQUENCY OR TO IMPLEMENT
- 10 SIMILAR PROCEDURES UTILIZED TO COLLECT DELINQUENT TAXES FROM A
- 11 TAXPAYER AS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE POLITICAL
- 12 SUBDIVISION OR THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE. REASONABLE COSTS
- 13 COLLECTED MAY BE RETAINED BY THE [PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR
- 14 PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED TO COLLECT THE TAX AS AGREED TO BY THE
- 15 GOVERNING BODY OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION] TAX COLLECTOR UNDER
- 16 CHAPTER 3 OR THE TAX OFFICER UNDER CHAPTER 5. AN ITEMIZED
- 17 ACCOUNTING OF ALL COSTS COLLECTED SHALL BE REMITTED TO THE
- 18 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR THE TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE ON AN
- 19 ANNUAL BASIS.
- 20 (B) COSTS RELATED TO THE COLLECTION OF UNPAID PER CAPITA,
- 21 OCCUPATION OR OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAXES MAY ONLY BE ASSESSED,
- 22 LEVIED AND COLLECTED FOR FIVE YEARS FROM THE LAST DAY OF THE
- 23 CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE TAX WAS DUE.
- 24 (C) A DELINQUENT TAXPAYER MAY NOT BRING AN ACTION FOR
- 25 REIMBURSEMENT, REFUND OR ELIMINATION OF REASONABLE COSTS OF
- 26 COLLECTION ASSESSED OR IMPOSED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
- 27 THIS SECTION. ADDITIONAL COSTS MAY NOT BE ASSESSED ON DELINQUENT
- 28 TAXES COLLECTED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.
- 29 SECTION [22.2] 708. CLARIFICATION OF EXISTING LAW.--THE
- 30 ADDITION OF SECTION [22.1 OF THIS ACT] 707 IS INTENDED AS A

- 1 CLARIFICATION OF EXISTING LAW AND IS NOT INTENDED TO:
- 2 (1) ESTABLISH NEW RIGHTS OR ENLARGE EXISTING RIGHTS OF
- 3 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OR EMPLOYES OR AGENTS OF POLITICAL
- 4 SUBDIVISIONS; OR
- 5 (2) ESTABLISH NEW OBLIGATIONS OR ENLARGE EXISTING
- 6 OBLIGATIONS OF TAXPAYERS.
- 7 [SECTION 22.3. LEGAL REPRESENTATION.--WHEN BRINGING A SUIT
- 8 UNDER ANY PROVISION OF THIS ACT, THE TAXING DISTRICT, OFFICER,
- 9 PERSON, PUBLIC EMPLOYE OR PRIVATE AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE
- 10 TAXING DISTRICT SHALL BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY.]
- 11 SECTION 31. SECTIONS 22.4 AND 22.5 OF THE ACT, ADDED
- 12 DECEMBER 1, 2004 (P.L.1729, NO.222), ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 13 [SECTION 22.4. EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES.--ANY
- 14 REFERENCE IN ANY ACT OR LAW TO AN OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX
- 15 SHALL MEAN THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXES AS
- 16 PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ACT.
- 17 SECTION 22.5. RESTRICTED USE. -- (A) ANY MUNICIPALITY
- 18 DERIVING FUNDS FROM THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAX MAY
- 19 ONLY USE THE FUNDS FOR:
- 20 (1) POLICE, FIRE AND/OR EMERGENCY SERVICES;
- 21 (2) ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND/OR MAINTENANCE; OR
- 22 (3) REDUCTION OF PROPERTY TAXES.
- 23 (B) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE EMERGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES
- 24 TAX, THE TERM MUNICIPALITY DOES NOT INCLUDE A SCHOOL DISTRICT.]
- 25 SECTION 32. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A CHAPTER HEADING
- 26 TO READ:
- 27 CHAPTER 52
- 28 <u>MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS</u>
- 29 SECTION 33. SECTION 23 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 30 SECTION [23] 5201. REPEALS.--THE ACT OF JUNE 25, 1947

- 1 (P.L.1145), ENTITLED, AS AMENDED, "AN ACT EMPOWERING CITIES OF
- 2 THE SECOND CLASS, CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS A, CITIES OF THE
- 3 THIRD CLASS, BOROUGHS, TOWNS, TOWNSHIPS OF THE FIRST CLASS,
- 4 TOWNSHIPS OF THE SECOND CLASS, SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE SECOND
- 5 CLASS, SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE THIRD CLASS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS
- 6 OF THE FOURTH CLASS TO LEVY, ASSESS AND COLLECT OR TO PROVIDE
- 7 FOR THE LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL
- 8 TAXES SUBJECT TO MAXIMUM LIMITATIONS FOR GENERAL REVENUE
- 9 PURPOSES; AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BUREAUS AND THE
- 10 APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYES TO ASSESS
- 11 AND COLLECT SUCH TAXES; AND PERMITTING PENALTIES TO BE IMPOSED
- 12 AND ENFORCED; PROVIDING AN APPEAL FROM THE ORDINANCE OR
- 13 RESOLUTION LEVYING SUCH TAXES TO THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS
- 14 AND TO THE SUPREME COURT AND SUPERIOR COURT, " IS REPEALED.
- 15 ALL OTHER ACTS AND PARTS OF ACTS ARE REPEALED IN SO FAR AS
- 16 THEY ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.
- 17 SECTION 34. THE FOLLOWING ACTS AND PARTS OF ACTS ARE
- 18 REPEALED TO THE EXTENT SPECIFIED:
- 19 (1) SECTION 224 OF THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
- 20 NO.175), KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929, INSOFAR AS
- 21 IT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ACT.
- 22 (2) THE ACT OF AUGUST 24, 1961 (P.L.1135, NO.508),
- 23 REFERRED TO AS THE FIRST CLASS A SCHOOL DISTRICT EARNED
- 24 INCOME TAX ACT, INSOFAR AS IT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ACT.
- 25 (3) SECTIONS 322, 326 AND 5004.1 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 27,
- 26 2006 (1ST SP.SESS., P.L. , NO.1), KNOWN AS THE TAXPAYER
- 27 RELIEF ACT, INSOFAR AS IT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ACT.
- 28 SECTION 35. THIS ACT SHALL APPLY AS FOLLOWS:
- 29 (1) THE AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 10 AND 11 OF THE ACT SHALL
- 30 NOT APPLY TO AN ARTICLE XIII TAX OFFICER WITH RESPECT TO

- 1 INCOME TAXES LEVIED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2009.
- 2 (2) THE AMENDMENT OF DIVISIONS (II), (III), (IV), (V),
- 3 (VI), (VII), (VIII) AND (IX) OF SECTION 13 OF THE ACT SHALL
- 4 NOT APPLY TO INCOME TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED PRIOR TO
- 5 JANUARY 1, 2009.
- 6 (3) EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (4) AND SECTION
- 7 515(B) OF THE ACT, THE ADDITION OF CHAPTER 5 OF THE ACT SHALL
- 8 APPLY TO INCOME TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED AFTER DECEMBER 31.
- 9 2008.
- (4) THE ADDITION OF SECTION 511(A)(5) OF THE ACT SHALL 10
- 11 APPLY TO THE OFFICIAL REGISTER RELEASED JUNE 15, 2007 AND
- 12 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER.
- 13 SECTION 36. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS:
- (1) THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 9 OF THE ACT SHALL TAKE 14
- EFFECT MAY 31, 2007. 15
- (2) THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS SHALL TAKE EFFECT ON 16
- JANUARY 1, 2009: 17
- 18 (I) THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 10 OF THE ACT.
- 19 (II) THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 11 OF THE ACT.
- 20 (3) THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 13 OF THE ACT SHALL TAKE
- EFFECT JUNE 30, 2009. 21
- 22 (4) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT
- 23 IMMEDIATELY.