## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL No. 2007 Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY WILT, ARMSTRONG, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, FABRIZIO, GINGRICH, KAUFFMAN, LEH, MUSTIO, REICHLEY, ROHRER, SATHER AND R. STEVENSON, SEPTEMBER 28, 2005

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 28, 2005

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of May 21, 1943 (P.L.571, No.254), entitled, as 2 amended, "An act relating to assessment for taxation in 3 counties of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; designating the subjects, property and persons 5 subject to and exempt from taxation for county, borough, 6 town, township, school, except in cities and county 7 institution district purposes; and providing for and 8 regulating the assessment and valuation thereof for such 9 purposes; creating in each such county a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; defining the powers and 10 11 duties of such boards; providing for the acceptance of this 12 act by cities; regulating the office of ward, borough, town 13 and township assessors; abolishing the office of assistant triennial assessor in townships of the first class; providing 14 15 for the appointment of a chief assessor, assistant assessors 16 and other employes; providing for their compensation payable 17 by such counties; prescribing certain duties of and certain 18 fees to be collected by the recorder of deeds and municipal 19 officers who issue building permits; imposing duties on taxables making improvements on land and grantees of land; 20 21 prescribing penalties; and eliminating the triennial 22 assessment, " further providing for appeals by municipalities.
- 23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 24 hereby enacts as follows:
- 25 Section 1. Section 706 of the act of May 21, 1943 (P.L.571,
- 26 No.254), known as The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment
- 27 Law, repealed in part June 3, 1971 (P.L.118, No.6), is amended

- 1 to read:
- 2 Section 706. Appeals by Municipalities. -- The corporate
- 3 authorities of any county, borough, town, township or school
- 4 district, which may feel aggrieved by any assessment of any
- 5 property or other subject of taxation for its corporate
- 6 purposes, shall have the right to appeal therefrom in the same
- 7 manner, subject to the same procedure and with like effect as if
- 8 such appeal were taken by a taxable with respect to his
- 9 assessment, <u>after filing an appraisal report of a State-licensed</u>
- 10 appraiser justifying the grounds for appeal, and in addition may
- 11 take an appeal from any decision of the board or court of common
- 12 pleas as though it had been a party to the proceedings before
- 13 such board or court, even though it was not such a party in
- 14 fact[.] after filing an appraisal report of a State-licensed
- 15 <u>appraiser justifying the grounds for appeal.</u>
- 16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.