## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 1799 Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY McGEEHAN, BISHOP, BLACKWELL, BRENNAN, CONKLIN, COSTA, DENLINGER, GALLOWAY, GERGELY, GIBBONS, JAMES, KENNEY, KORTZ, KULA, MURT, PALLONE, PHILLIPS, QUIGLEY, READSHAW, SAINATO, SEIP, SHIMKUS, SIPTROTH, STABACK, WOJNAROSKI, PETRARCA AND FRANKEL, AUGUST 22, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, AUGUST 22, 2007

## AN ACT

Amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), entitled "An act relating to tax reform and State taxation by codifying 2 3 and enumerating certain subjects of taxation and imposing taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, 4 5 collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing for tax credits in certain cases; conferring powers and 7 imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, certain employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations 8 9 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and 10 penalties, "providing for a sales tax holiday on school 11 supplies. 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows: 14 Section 1. Section 204 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, 15 No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended by 16 adding a clause to read: 17 Section 204. Exclusions from Tax. -- The tax imposed by 18 section 202 shall not be imposed upon any of the following: 19 20 (67) The sale at retail or use of school supplies, books or 21 bags during the exclusion period for nonbusiness purposes. For

- 1 purposes of this clause, the phrase "exclusion period" means the
- 2 third week of January and the third week of August each year.
- 3 For purposes of this clause, "school supplies" means items such
- 4 <u>as pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks, glue, rulers, computer</u>
- 5 disks, calculators, lunch boxes, reference maps and globes and
- 6 personal organizers with a sales price of one hundred dollars
- 7 (\$100) or less per item, and shall not include furniture, stereo
- 8 equipment, video cassette recorders, digital video disk players
- 9 or similar items. For purposes of this clause, "book" does not
- 10 <u>include newspapers</u>, <u>magazines or other periodicals</u>. For <u>purposes</u>
- 11 of this clause, "bag" does not include suitcases or other
- 12 garment bags.
- 13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.