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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 and enumerating certain subjects of taxation and imposing 3 taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing for tax credits in certain cases; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, certain employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations 8 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and 9 10 penalties," in personal income taxation, providing for a credit against unreimbursed qualified health insurance 11 premium payments. 12 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. The act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as 16 the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended by adding a section to 17 read: 18 Section 314.1. Unreimbursed Oualified Health Insurance Premium Payments. -- (a) A resident taxpayer shall be allowed a 19 20 credit against the tax otherwise due under this article for the 21 dollar amount of any unreimbursed qualified health insurance

premium payment or payments made by the taxpayer.

- 1 (b) The credit provided under this section shall not exceed
- 2 the amount of the tax otherwise due under this article.
- 3 <u>(c) For purposes of this section:</u>
- 4 "Qualified health insurance." An individual or group health,
- 5 <u>sickness or accident policy or subscriber contract or</u>
- 6 <u>certificate issued by an entity subject to any one of the</u>
- 7 <u>following:</u>
- 8 (1) The act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as "The
- 9 <u>Insurance Company Law of 1921."</u>
- 10 (2) The act of December 29, 1972 (P.L.1701, No.364), known
- 11 as the "Health Maintenance Organization Act."
- 12 (3) The act of May 18, 1976 (P.L.123, No.54), known as the
- 13 "Individual Accident and Sickness Insurance Minimum Standards
- 14 Act."
- 15 (4) 40 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 (relating to hospital plan
- 16 <u>corporations</u>) or 63 (relating to professional health services
- 17 plan corporations).
- 18 "Unreimbursed qualified health insurance premium payment." A
- 19 payment made by a resident taxpayer against the premium due for
- 20 the purchase of qualified health insurance, the cost of which is
- 21 not reimbursed to the taxpayer by the taxpayer's employer, the
- 22 Commonwealth, a municipality or any other entity.
- 23 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.