
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873,
2 No.1), entitled "An act providing for taxation by school
3 districts, for the State funds formula, for tax relief in
4 first class cities, for school district choice and voter
5 participation, for other school district options and for a
6 task force on school cost reduction; making an appropriation;
7 prohibiting prior authorized taxation; providing for
8 installment payment of taxes; restricting the power of
9 certain school districts to levy, assess and collect taxes;
10 and making related repeals," in senior citizens property tax
11 and rent rebate assistance, further providing for property
12 tax and rent rebate.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. Section 1304(a) and (b) of the act of June 27,
16 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer
17 Relief Act, are amended to read:

18 Section 1304. Property tax; and rent rebate.

19 (a) Schedule of rebates.--

20 (1) The amount of any claim for property tax rebate or
21 rent rebate in lieu of property taxes for real property taxes
22 or rent due and payable during calendar years 1985 through

1 2005 shall be determined in accordance with the following
2 schedule:

3 Percentage of Real Property Taxes or
4 Rent Rebate in Lieu of

5 Household Income Property Taxes Allowed as Rebate

6	\$ 0 - \$ 4,999	100%
7	5,000 - 5,499	100
8	5,500 - 5,999	90
9	6,000 - 6,499	80
10	6,500 - 6,999	70
11	7,000 - 7,499	60
12	7,500 - 7,999	50
13	8,000 - 8,499	40
14	8,500 - 8,999	35
15	9,000 - 9,999	25
16	10,000 - 11,999	20
17	12,000 - 12,999	15
18	13,000 - 15,000	10

19 (2) The following apply:

20 (i) The base amount of any claim for property tax
21 rebate for real property taxes due and payable during
22 calendar [year] years 2006 [and thereafter] through 2017
23 shall be determined in accordance with the following
24 schedule:

25 Amount of Real Property Taxes

26 Household Income Allowed as Rebate

27	\$ 0 - \$ 8,000	\$650
28	8,001 - 15,000	500
29	15,001 - 18,000	300
30	18,001 - 35,000	250

1 (ii) The supplemental amount for a claimant with a
 2 household income equal to or less than \$30,000 and an
 3 eligible claim for property tax rebate for real property
 4 taxes due and payable during the calendar year preceding
 5 the first year in which a payment under section 505(b) is
 6 made and each year thereafter and whose real property
 7 taxes exceed 15% of the claimant's household income shall
 8 be equal to 50% of the base amount determined under
 9 subparagraph (i). A claimant who is a resident of a city
 10 of the first class, a city of the second class A or a
 11 school district of the first class A shall be ineligible
 12 for the supplemental amount under this subparagraph.

13 (2.1) The following apply:

14 (i) The base amount of any claim for property tax
 15 rebate for real property taxes due and payable during
 16 calendar year 2018 and thereafter shall be determined in
 17 accordance with the following schedule:

	<u>Amount of Real Property Taxes</u>
<u>Household Income</u>	<u>Allowed as Rebate</u>
20 <u>\$ 0 - \$ 8,000</u>	<u>\$900</u>
21 <u> 8,001 - 15,000</u>	<u> 800</u>
22 <u> 15,001 - 18,000</u>	<u> 700</u>
23 <u> 18,001 - 35,000</u>	<u> 600</u>
24 <u> 35,001 - 45,000</u>	<u> 550</u>
25 <u> 45,001 - 55,000</u>	<u> 500</u>

26 (ii) The supplemental amount for a claimant with a
 27 household income equal to or less than \$30,000 and an
 28 eligible claim for property tax rebate for real property
 29 taxes due and payable during the calendar year preceding
 30 the first year in which a payment under section 505(b) is

1 made and each year thereafter and whose real property
 2 taxes exceed 15% of the claimant's household income shall
 3 be equal to 50% of the base amount determined under
 4 subparagraph (i). A claimant who is a resident of a city
 5 of the first class, a city of the second class A or a
 6 school district of the first class A shall be ineligible
 7 for the supplemental amount under this subparagraph.

8 (3) The amount of any claim for rent rebate in lieu of
 9 property taxes for rent due and payable during calendar
 10 [year] years 2006 [and thereafter] through 2017 shall be
 11 determined in accordance with the following:

	<u>Amount of Rent Rebate in</u>
	<u>Lieu of Property Taxes</u>
<u>Household Income</u>	<u>Allowed as Rebate</u>
15 \$ 0 - \$ 8,000	\$650
16 8,001 - 15,000	500

17 (3.1) The amount of any claim for rent rebate in lieu of
 18 property taxes for rent due and payable during calendar year
 19 2018 and thereafter shall be determined in accordance with
 20 the following:

	<u>Amount of Rent Rebate in</u>
	<u>Lieu of Property Taxes</u>
<u>Household Income</u>	<u>Allowed as Rebate</u>
24 <u>\$ 0 - \$ 8,000</u>	<u>\$900</u>
25 <u>8,001 - 15,000</u>	<u>800</u>
26 <u>15,001 - 18,000</u>	<u>700</u>
27 <u>18,001 - 35,000</u>	<u>600</u>
28 <u>35,001 - 45,000</u>	<u>550</u>
29 <u>45,001 - 55,000</u>	<u>500</u>

30 (b) Limitations on claims.--

1 (1) No claim through calendar year 2005 shall be allowed
2 if the amount of property tax or rent rebate computed in
3 accordance with this section is less than \$10, and the
4 maximum amount of property tax or rent rebate payable shall
5 not exceed \$500.

6 (2) For calendar [year] years 2006 [and thereafter]
7 through 2017, the maximum amount of property tax or rent
8 rebate in lieu of property taxes payable shall not exceed the
9 lesser of:

10 (i) the amount of a claim under subsection (a) (2) or
11 (3);

12 (ii) the amount of real property taxes actually
13 paid; or

14 (iii) 20% of gross rent actually paid.

15 (2.1) For calendar year 2018 and thereafter, the maximum
16 amount of property tax or rent rebate in lieu of property
17 taxes payable shall not exceed the lesser of:

18 (i) the amount of a claim under subsection (a) (2.1)
19 or (3.1);

20 (ii) the amount of real property taxes actually
21 paid; or

22 (iii) 20% of gross rent actually paid.

23 (3) No claim shall be allowed if the claimant is a
24 tenant of an owner of real property exempt from real property
25 taxes.

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27 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.