

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE BILL

## No. 1031

Session of  
1979

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. FREIND, L. E. SMITH, DeVERTER, SCHEAFFER, BRANDT, WILT, NOYE, MOWERY, MADIGAN, MRS. HARPER, MESSRS. SIEMINSKI, PETERSON, RITTER, MRS. ARTY, MESSRS. POLITE, McCLATCHY, KOWALYSHYN, MRS. TAYLOR, MESSRS. SPITZ, WHITE, VROON, E. H. SMITH, MILANOVICH, BORSKI, PUNT, SALVATORE, LASHINGER, E. R. LYNCH, EARLEY AND GANNON, APRIL 24, 1979

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
AS AMENDED, MAY 23, 1979

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## AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), entitled, as  
2 amended, "An act providing property tax or rent rebate to  
3 certain senior citizens, widows, widowers and permanently  
4 disabled persons with limited incomes; establishing uniform  
5 standards and qualifications for eligibility to receive a  
6 rebate; and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue,"  
7 clarifying the definition of "rent rebate in lieu of property  
8 taxes."

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Clause (5) of section 3, act of March 11, 1971  
12 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the "Senior Citizens Property Tax or  
13 Rent Rebate Act," reenacted and amended June 16, 1975 (P.L.7,  
14 No.4), is amended to read:

15 Section 3. Definitions.--As used in this act:

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17 (5) "Rent rebate in lieu of property taxes" means twenty per  
18 cent of the gross amount actually paid in cash or its equivalent

1 in any calendar year to a landlord in connection with the  
2 occupancy of a homestead by a claimant, irrespective of whether  
3 such amount constitutes payment solely for the right of  
4 occupancy or otherwise. ~~However, the phrase "gross amount~~ <—  
5 ~~actually paid" shall not include any amounts attributable to~~  
6 ~~subsidy payments in the case of subsidized housing and shall~~  
7 ~~include only those amounts actually paid by the claimant to the~~  
8 ~~landlord.~~ HOWEVER THE PHRASE "GROSS AMOUNT ACTUALLY PAID" SHALL <—  
9 NOT INCLUDE PAYMENTS MADE BY OR ATTRIBUTABLE TO ANY GOVERNMENTAL  
10 OR QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY AS PART OF A SUBSIDIZED HOUSING  
11 PROGRAM AND SHALL INCLUDE ONLY THOSE AMOUNTS ACTUALLY PAID BY  
12 THE CLAIMANT, OR INDIVIDUALS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CLAIMANT,  
13 TO THE LANDLORD.

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15 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall  
16 be applicable to calendar years commencing January 1, 1979 and  
17 thereafter.