

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1034 Session of
1979

INTRODUCED BY REED, PICCOLA, DININNI, MANMILLER, CIMINI AND
BROWN, APRIL 24, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, APRIL 24, 1979

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991, No.385), entitled "An
2 act to promote elimination of blighted areas and supply
3 sanitary housing in areas throughout the Commonwealth; by
4 declaring acquisition, sound replanning and redevelopment of
5 such areas to be for the promotion of health, safety,
6 convenience and welfare; creating public bodies corporate and
7 politic to be known as Redevelopment Authorities; authorizing
8 them to engage in the elimination of blighted areas and to
9 plan and contract with private, corporate or governmental
10 redevelopers for their redevelopment; providing for the
11 organization of such authorities; defining and providing for
12 the exercise of their powers and duties, including the
13 acquisition of property by purchase, gift or eminent domain;
14 the leasing and selling of property, including borrowing
15 money, issuing bonds and other obligations and giving
16 security therefor; restricting the interest of members and
17 employees of authorities; providing for notice and hearing;
18 supplying certain mandatory provisions to be inserted in
19 contracts with redevelopers; prescribing the remedies of
20 obligees of redevelopment authorities; conferring certain
21 duties upon local planning commissions, the governing bodies
22 of cities and counties, and on certain State officers, boards
23 and departments," requiring the Authority to pay certain real
24 estate taxes.

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 Section 1. The act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991, No.385), known
28 as the "Urban Redevelopment Law," is amended by adding a section
29 to read:

1 Section 13.2. Real Estate Taxes.--(a) The Authority shall
2 pay the taxes normally due on a property acquired other than
3 pursuant to the provisions of this act relating to blighted
4 properties whenever:

5 (i) is occupied by any rent-paying tenant;

6 (ii) was acquired prior to the Authority having secured a
7 plan for its development by a private or public developer; or

8 (iii) the Authority, having a plan for its development by a
9 private or public developer, fails to make use of that property
10 in connection with that plan within twenty-four months of
11 acquisition. It shall be liable for taxes for that twenty-four
12 month period and subsequent to that period until the property is
13 conveyed by it.

14 (b) The Authority may petition the Board of Assessment for
15 revision of property assessment as provided by law.

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