THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 441 Session of 1985

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FEBRUARY 26, 1985

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 22, 1933 (P.L.853, No.155), entitled "An 2 act relating to taxation; designating the subjects, property 3 and persons subject to and exempt from taxation for all local purposes; providing for and regulating the assessment and 4 valuation of persons, property and subjects of taxation for 5 county purposes, and for the use of those municipal and 6 7 quasi-municipal corporations which levy their taxes on county 8 assessments and valuations; amending, revising and consolidating the law relating thereto; and repealing 9 existing laws," further providing for the exemption from 10 11 taxation of fire and rescue station property.

12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

13 hereby enacts as follows:

14 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 204 of the act of May

15 22, 1933 (P.L.853, No.155), known as The General County

16 Assessment Law, is amended by adding a clause, and subsection

17 (b), amended July 9, 1971 (P.L.211, No.36) and September 22,

18 1972 (P.L.868, No.197), is amended to read:

19 Section 204. Exemptions from Taxation.--(a) The following

property shall be exempt from all county, city, borough, town,
township, road, poor and school tax, to wit:

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4 (13) All fire and rescue stations which are founded, endowed 5 and maintained by public or private charity, together with the grounds thereto annexed and necessary for the occupancy and 6 enjoyment of the same, and ancillary buildings, grounds and 7 8 facilities, owned and occupied by fire and rescue stations, used on a regular basis for activities which contribute to the 9 support of fire and rescue stations: Provided, That the net 10 11 receipts from such activities are used solely for the charitable purposes of the fire and rescue stations. 12 13 (b) Except as otherwise provided in [clause (11)] clauses (11) and (13) of this section, all property real or personal, 14 15 other than that which is actually and regularly used and 16 occupied for the purposes specified in this section, and all 17 such property from which any income or revenue is derived, other 18 than from recipients of the bounty of the institution or 19 charity, shall be subject to taxation, except where exempted by 20 law for State purposes, and nothing herein contained shall

21 exempt same therefrom.

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23 Section 2. This act shall apply to assessments for taxes 24 levied for the calendar or fiscal year beginning on or after 25 January 1, 1985.

26 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.