

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 579 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY BROWNE, BOSCOLA, ORIE, ALLOWAY, WAUGH, PILEGGI,
WOZNIAK, EARLL, RAFFERTY AND WONDERLING, MARCH 6, 2009

REFERRED TO FINANCE, MARCH 6, 2009

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," further providing for referendum
11 requirements.

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

14 Section 1. Section 333 of the act of June 27, 2006 (1st
15 Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, is
16 amended by adding a subsection to read:

17 Section 333. Public referendum requirements for increasing
18 certain taxes.

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20 (b.1) Educational subsidy.--If the board of directors of a
21 school district violates the provisions of subsection (b.1)(1),
22 the department shall, notwithstanding any other provision of

1 law, withhold the amount of any educational subsidy to be paid
2 to the school district for the current fiscal year equal to the
3 excess in revenue brought in by the increase in the rate of a
4 tax levied for the support of the public schools by more than
5 the index.

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