AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1590 (As amended by A02073)

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE SCHRODER

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- Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 8602), page 2, line 5 (A02073), by 1
- 2 striking out "A" and inserting
- 3 Subject to subsection (c) and section 8603 (relating
- 4 to binding referendum), a
- 5 Amend Sec. 1, page 2, by inserting between lines 51 and 52
- 6 (A02073)

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- 7 (c) Resolution required. -- The taxing authority may seek authority to impose a tax under subsection (a) by adopting a 9 resolution to place a referendum on the ballot pursuant to section 8603 (relating to binding referendum). The taxing 10 11 authority shall transmit a copy of the resolution to the
- 12 appropriate election officials. § 8603. Binding referendum. 13
- (a) Referendum to be held. -- A taxing authority may impose a 15 <u>tax under subsection (a) only by obtaining the approval of the</u> 16 <u>electorate of the affected municipality in a public referendum</u> at the general or municipal election preceding the fiscal year 18 when the tax will be imposed. The election officials shall cause a question to be placed on the ballot at the first general or municipal election occurring at least 90 days after their receipt of the resolution required in section 8602(c) (relating 22 to local financial support).
- (b) Contents of question. -- The referendum question must 24 state the rate of the tax under section 8602(a) and the proposed use of the additional revenue generated by the tax. The question shall be in clear language that is readily understandable by a layperson.
- (c) Vote. -- If a majority of the electors voting on the 29 question vote "yes," then the taxing authority shall be authorized to impose the tax. If a majority of the electors voting on the question vote "no," the taxing authority shall 32 <u>have no authority to impose the tax.</u>
- 33 (d) Voting proceedings. -- Proceedings under this section 34 shall be in accordance with the provisions of the act of June 3,
- 35 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election 36 Code.