## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1823

## Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

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Amend Bill, page 2, line 1, by striking out all of said line 1

2 and inserting

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a township 3 4 mav

5 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 10 through 14, by striking out "THE 6 TOWNSHIP SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE DELINQUENCY AND" in line 10

7 and all of lines 11 through 14 and inserting

8 (ii) In the case where a township provides services to a 9 residential dwelling unit in which the owner of the property 10 does not reside, the owner of the property shall be responsible for the payment of a tenant's bill for services rendered to the 11 12 tenant by the township, and any applicable penalties and late 13 fees, provided that: (A) Once the bill has been delinguent for thirty days the 14 township shall notify both the owner of the property and the 15 16 tenant that the bill is delinquent. (B) Notification shall be by first class mail to the address 17 provided to the township by the owner of the property and to the 18 billing address of the tenant, respectively. 19 (C) The property owner shall be responsible for the 20 delinquency, penalties and late fees accruing more than sixty 21 days after the initial notification of delinquency. 22 23 (D) The township may file a lien against the property for 24 any delinguency, penalties and late fees that accrue after the property owner becomes responsible for the ongoing delinguency 25 and the lien may be collected by action of assumpsit or as 26 27 provided under law for the filing and recovery of municipal 28 claims. 29 (E) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to require

30 a township to terminate service to a tenant. If the township is 31 prevented by court order from terminating service to a tenant, the owner of the property shall also be liable for any service 32 which the township provides to the tenant during the first 33 ninety days after the tenant's bill first becomes due. 34

(iii) The township shall provide notice of the delinguency\_ 35

1 and the amount and rate of penalties and late fees to the owner\_

2 of the property receiving the service, by first class mail, at

3 <u>least twenty days prior to the filing of any municipal claim to</u>

4 recover the delinquency, penalties and late fees.