THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY SCAVELLO, EMRICK, HARHART, STEPHENS, R. BROWN, AUMENT, CARROLL, BISHOP, O'NEILL, V. BROWN, READSHAW, KORTZ, GROVE, NEILSON, MURT AND GABLER, FEBRUARY 6, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITEE ON FINANCE, FEBRUARY 6, 2013

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), entitled "An act relating to tax reform and State taxation by codifying 2 and enumerating certain subjects of taxation and imposing 3 taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing for tax credits in certain cases; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, certain employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and penalties," further providing for classes of income. 10 11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 12 hereby enacts as follows: 13 Section 1. Section 303 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, 14 No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended by 15 adding a subsection to read: 16 Section 303. Classes of Income. -- * * * 17 (a.8) The following shall apply: 18 (1) An amount equal to seventy-five per cent of the amount 19 paid as dues to a homeowners association shall be deductible 20 from taxable income on the annual personal income tax return. The amount paid as dues to a homeowners association allowable as 21

- 1 <u>a deduction under this subsection shall not result in taxable</u>
- 2 <u>income being less then zero.</u>
- 3 (2) For purposes of this subsection:
- 4 (i) The term "homeowners association" shall mean a legal
- 5 <u>entity created for the purpose of developing and managing a</u>
- 6 <u>community of homes. Characteristics of a "homeowners</u>
- 7 <u>association" shall include the authority to enforce covenants,</u>
- 8 conditions and restrictions of the community and the authority
- 9 or responsibility to manage common amenities of the community.
- 10 (ii) The term "dues" shall mean any fee or payment required
- 11 of a homeowner for membership and participation in a homeowners
- 12 association.
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- 14 Section 2. The addition of section 303(a.8) of the act shall
- 15 apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.
- 16 Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2013, or
- 17 immediately, whichever is later.