THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 252

Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY THOMPSON, CORMAN, WONDERLING, VANCE, MADIGAN, RHOADES, RAFFERTY, MUSTO, PILEGGI, WENGER, WOZNIAK, STOUT, LEMMOND, ARMSTRONG, COSTA, KASUNIC, KITCHEN, O'PAKE, BOSCOLA AND PUNT, FEBRUARY 11, 2005

REFERRED TO FINANCE, FEBRUARY 11, 2005

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), entitled "An 2 act relating to tax reform and State taxation by codifying 3 and enumerating certain subjects of taxation and imposing taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, 5 collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing 6 for tax credits in certain cases; conferring powers and 7 imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, certain employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations 9 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and penalties, "further providing for farmland valuation for 10 11 inheritance tax. 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows: 14 Section 1. Section 2122(a) of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended 15 16 by adding a definition and the section is amended by adding a 17 subsection to read: Section 2122. Valuation of Certain Farmland.--(a) 18 19 following words and phrases, when used in this section, shall

have the meaning ascribed to them in this section, except where

21 the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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- 2 <u>"Agricultural conservation easement."</u> As defined in section
- 3 of the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the
- 4 <u>"Agricultural Area Security Law."</u>
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- 6 (e) Realty which is part of an agricultural conservation
- 7 <u>easement shall be valued at one dollar (\$1.00) per acre.</u>
- 8 Section 2. The amendment or addition of section 2122(a) and
- 9 (e) of the act shall apply to the estates of decedents who die
- 10 on or after the effective date of this act.
- 11 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.