

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1571 Session of  
2003

INTRODUCED BY ZUG, ADOLPH, BUNT, BELFANTI, CAPPELLI, CORRIGAN,  
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SHANER, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TURZAI, WATERS  
AND YOUNGBLOOD, JUNE 10, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, JUNE 10, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), entitled, as  
2 amended, "An act providing property tax or rent rebate and  
3 inflation dividends to certain senior citizens, widows,  
4 widowers and permanently disabled persons with limited  
5 incomes; establishing uniform standards and qualifications  
6 for eligibility to receive rebates and dividends; providing  
7 for transportation assistance grants and grants to area  
8 agencies on aging for services to older persons; and imposing  
9 duties upon the Department of Revenue," further providing for  
10 property tax and rent rebate eligibility.

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

13 Section 1. Section 4(a.1) of the act of March 11, 1971  
14 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior Citizens Rebate and  
15 Assistance Act, reenacted and amended December 21, 1979  
16 (P.L.570, No.131), and amended March 10, 1982 (P.L.177, No.56)  
17 and July 11, 1985 (P.L.207, No.53), is amended to read:

18 Section 4. Property Tax; Rent Rebate and Inflation Cost.--

19 (a.1) (1) The amount of any claim for property tax rebate

1 or rent rebate in lieu of property taxes for real property taxes  
2 or rent due and payable during calendar years 1981, 1982, 1983  
3 and 1984 shall be determined in accordance with the following  
4 schedule:

Percentage of Real Property Taxes or Rent Rebate in Lieu of	
Household Income	Property Taxes Allowed as Rebate
\$ 0 - \$4,999	100%
5,000 - 5,999	80
6,000 - 6,999	60
7,000 - 7,999	40
8,000 - 8,999	20
9,000 - 11,999	10

14 (2) The amount of any claim for property tax rebate or rent  
15 rebate in lieu of property taxes for real property taxes or rent  
16 due and payable during calendar year 1985 [and thereafter]  
17 through calendar year 2002 shall be determined in accordance  
18 with the following schedule:

Percentage of Real Property Taxes or Rent Rebate in Lieu of	
Household Income	Property Taxes Allowed as Rebate
\$ 0 - \$4,999	100%
5,000 - 5,499	100
5,500 - 5,999	90
6,000 - 6,499	80
6,500 - 6,999	70
7,000 - 7,499	60
7,500 - 7,999	50
8,000 - 8,499	40
8,500 - 8,999	35

1	9,000 - 9,999	25
2	10,000 - 11,999	20
3	12,000 - 12,999	15
4	13,000 - 15,000	10

5     (3) The amount of any claim for property tax rebate for real  
6     property taxes due and payable during calendar year 2003 and  
7     thereafter shall be determined in accordance with the following  
8     schedule:

9	<u>Percentage of Real Property Taxes</u>	
10	<u>Household Income</u>	<u>Allowed as Rebate</u>
11	<u>\$ 0 - \$9,999</u>	<u>100%</u>
12	<u>10,000 - 10,999</u>	<u>90</u>
13	<u>11,000 - 11,999</u>	<u>80</u>
14	<u>12,000 - 12,999</u>	<u>70</u>
15	<u>13,000 - 13,999</u>	<u>60</u>
16	<u>14,000 - 14,999</u>	<u>50</u>
17	<u>15,000 - 17,499</u>	<u>40</u>
18	<u>17,500 - 19,999</u>	<u>35</u>
19	<u>20,000 - 22,499</u>	<u>25</u>
20	<u>22,500 - 24,999</u>	<u>20</u>
21	<u>25,000 - 27,499</u>	<u>15</u>
22	<u>27,500 - 30,000</u>	<u>10</u>

23     (4) The amount of any claim for a rent rebate in lieu of  
24     property taxes for rent due and payable during calendar year  
25     2003 and thereafter shall be determined in accordance with the  
26     following schedule:

27	<u>Percentage of Rent</u>	
28	<u>Rebate in Lieu of</u>	
29	<u>Household Income</u>	<u>Property Taxes Allowed as Rebate</u>
30	<u>\$ 0 - \$5,499</u>	<u>100%</u>

1	<u>5,500 - 5,999</u>	<u>90</u>
2	<u>6,000 - 6,499</u>	<u>80</u>
3	<u>6,500 - 6,999</u>	<u>70</u>
4	<u>7,000 - 7,499</u>	<u>60</u>
5	<u>7,500 - 7,999</u>	<u>50</u>
6	<u>8,000 - 8,499</u>	<u>40</u>
7	<u>8,500 - 8,999</u>	<u>35</u>
8	<u>9,000 - 9,999</u>	<u>25</u>
9	<u>10,000 - 11,999</u>	<u>20</u>
10	<u>12,000 - 12,999</u>	<u>15</u>
11	<u>13,000 - 15,000</u>	<u>10</u>

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13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.