

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY CURRY, BISHOP, BOYD, BURNS, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN,
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SANTARSIERO, VULAKOVICH, WATSON AND DAVIS, JANUARY 24, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, JANUARY 24, 2011

AN ACT

1 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
4 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
8 employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations
9 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and
10 penalties," in personal income tax, providing for
11 contributions to the cystic fibrosis program within the
12 Department of Health.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. The act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as
16 the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended by adding a section to
17 read:

18 Section 315.10. Contributions to Cystic Fibrosis Program
19 Within the Department of Health.--(a) The department shall
20 provide a space on the State individual income tax return form
21 on which an individual may voluntarily designate a contribution
22 of any amount desired to be utilized for the cystic fibrosis

1 program within the Department of Health.

2 (b) The amount designated shall be deducted from the tax
3 refund to which the individual is entitled and shall not
4 constitute a charge against the income tax revenue due to the
5 Commonwealth.

6 (c) The department shall determine annually the total amount
7 designated under this section, less reasonable administrative
8 costs, and shall report the amount to the State Treasurer, who
9 shall transfer the amount from the General Fund to the program.

10 (d) The department shall provide adequate information
11 concerning the checkoff for the program in its instructions
12 which accompany State income tax return forms. The information
13 concerning the checkoff shall include the listing of an address
14 furnished by the Department of Health to which contributions may
15 be sent by taxpayers wishing to contribute to this effort but
16 who do not receive refunds. Additionally, the Department of
17 Health shall be charged with the duty to conduct a public
18 information campaign on the availability of this opportunity to
19 Commonwealth taxpayers.

20 (e) The Department of Health shall report annually to the
21 Public Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate and Health
22 Committee of the House of Representatives which have
23 jurisdiction over health matters on the amount received via the
24 checkoff plan and how the funds were utilized.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.