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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, MARCH 15, 1993

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 4 taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, 5 collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing 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, " providing for a credit against personal income tax for donations of real property to public schools and 11 vocational-technical schools. 12 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 14 Section 1. The act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as 15 the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended by adding a section to 16 17 read: 18 Section 315.1. Credit for Certain Donations to Public Schools and Vocational-Technical Schools. -- (a) An individual 19 who donates real property to a public school or a vocational-

technical school shall be allowed a credit against the tax due

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- 1 under this article in an amount equal to one-half of the
- 2 appraised value of the donated real property.
- 3 (b) A credit against tax due shall not be allowed unless:
- 4 (1) The donation is officially accepted by the public school
- 5 <u>or vocational-technical school.</u>
- 6 (2) The appraisal of the real property is approved by the
- 7 <u>department</u>.
- 8 (c) The credit shall be against tax due for the year in
- 9 which the deed is duly recorded, and no credit against tax shall
- 10 be carried over from one tax year to another.
- 11 (d) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
- 12 <u>shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection:</u>
- 13 <u>"Public school." A school operated by a joint board, board</u>
- 14 of directors or school board where pupils are enrolled in
- 15 compliance with Article XIII of the act of March 10, 1949
- 16 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the "Public School Code of 1949." The
- 17 term includes intermediate units.
- 18 "Vocational-technical school." A distinctive organization of
- 19 courses, pupils and teachers approved by the State Board of
- 20 Education, designed to give either vocational industrial,
- 21 vocational agricultural, vocational distributive occupational or
- 22 vocational homemaking education.
- 23 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.