THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY TRELLO, LASHINGER, F. E. TAYLOR, PETRONE, ARTY, DeWEESE, GLADECK, PETERSON, CORNELL, D. R. WRIGHT, ALDERETTE, COLAFELLA, LESCOVITZ, AFFLERBACH, CAPPABIANCA AND J. L. WRIGHT, JANUARY 30, 1984

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 11, 1984

AN ACT

- Amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), 2 entitled "An act empowering cities of the second class, 3 cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of 4 the second class, school districts of the second class, 5 school districts of the third class and school districts of 7 the fourth class including independent school districts, to levy, assess, collect or to provide for the levying, 8 9 assessment and collection of certain taxes subject to maximum 10 limitations for general revenue purposes; authorizing the 11 establishment of bureaus and the appointment and compensation 12 of officers, agencies and employes to assess and collect such 13 taxes; providing for joint collection of certain taxes, 14 prescribing certain definitions and other provisions for 15 taxes levied and assessed upon earned income, providing for 16 annual audits and for collection of delinquent taxes, and 17 permitting and requiring penalties to be imposed and 18 enforced, including penalties for disclosure of confidential information, providing an appeal from the ordinance or 19 20 resolution levying such taxes to the court of quarter 21 sessions and to the Supreme Court and Superior Court," 22 providing restrictions on taxes on admission to ski 23 facilities.
- 24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- hereby enacts as follows: 25
- 26 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of December 31, 1965
- 27 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, is

- 1 amended by adding a clause to read:
- 2 Section 2. Delegation of Taxing Powers and Restrictions
- 3 Thereon. -- The duly constituted authorities of the following
- 4 political subdivisions, cities of the second class, cities of
- 5 the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns,
- 6 townships of the first class, townships of the second class,
- 7 school districts of the second class, school districts of the
- 8 third class, and school districts of the fourth class, in all
- 9 cases including independent school districts, may, in their
- 10 discretion, by ordinance or resolution, for general revenue
- 11 purposes, levy, assess and collect or provide for the levying,
- 12 assessment and collection of such taxes as they shall determine
- 13 on persons, transactions, occupations, privileges, subjects and
- 14 personal property within the limits of such political
- 15 subdivisions, and upon the transfer of real property, or of any
- 16 interest in real property, situate within the political
- 17 subdivision levying and assessing the tax, regardless of where
- 18 the instruments making the transfers are made, executed or
- 19 delivered or where the actual settlements on such transfer take
- 20 place. The taxing authority may provide that the transferee
- 21 shall remain liable for any unpaid realty transfer taxes imposed
- 22 by virtue of this act. Each local taxing authority may, by
- 23 ordinance or resolution, exempt any person whose total income
- 24 from all sources is less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per
- 25 annum from the per capita or similar head tax, occupation tax
- 26 and occupational privilege tax, or earned income tax, or any
- 27 portion thereof, and may adopt regulations for the processing of
- 28 claims for exemptions. Such local authorities shall not have
- 29 authority by virtue of this act:
- 30 * * *

- 1 (12) To levy a tax on admission to a ski facility, EXCEPT <----
- THAT SUCH LOCAL AUTHORITIES MAY LEVY AN ADMISSIONS TAX ON A TAX 2
- 3 BASE WHICH BASE IS NOT in excess of ten FORTY percent of the
- 4 price of the most expensive lift ticket being sold at the time
- of admission or two dollars (\$2), whichever sum is greater. 5
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.