

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2277 Session of  
2020

INTRODUCED BY SIMS, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, CALTAGIRONE, DeLUCA,  
CIRESI AND GILLEN, FEBRUARY 18, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in matters affecting  
3 government units, further providing for limitations on  
4 damages.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 8553(b) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 8553. Limitations on damages.

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11 (b) Amounts recoverable.--Damages arising from the same  
12 cause of action or transaction or occurrence or series of causes  
13 of action or transactions or occurrences shall not exceed  
14 \$500,000 in the aggregate. The limitation under this subsection  
15 shall not apply to an individual who:

16 (1) suffers damage to owner-occupied real property; and

17 (2) meets the time requirements of sections 5522(a)

18 (relating to six months limitation) and 5524(4) (relating to  
19 two year limitation).

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