THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1522 Session of 1991

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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 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 employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations 8 9 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and penalties," further providing for the imposition of the gross 10 11 receipts tax. 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows: 14 Section 1. Section 1101(a) of the act of March 4, 1971 15 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, amended July 13, 1987 (P.L.317, No.58), is amended to read: 16 17 Section 1101. Imposition of Tax.--(a) General Rule.--Every railroad company, pipeline company, conduit company, steamboat 19 company, canal company, slack water navigation company, 20 transportation company, and every other company, association, 21 joint-stock association, or limited partnership, now or

hereafter incorporated or organized by or under any law of this

- 1 Commonwealth <u>as a public utility</u>, or now or hereafter organized
- 2 or incorporated by any other state or by the United States or
- 3 any foreign government, and doing business in this Commonwealth
- 4 <u>as a public utility</u>, and every copartnership, person or persons
- 5 owning, operating or leasing to or from another corporation,
- 6 company, association, joint-stock association, limited
- 7 partnership, copartnership, person or persons, any railroad,
- 8 pipeline, conduit, steamboat, canal, slack water navigation, or
- 9 other device for the transportation of freight, passengers,
- 10 baggage, or oil, except taxicabs, motor buses and motor
- 11 omnibuses, and every limited partnership, association, joint-
- 12 stock association, corporation or company engaged in, or
- 13 hereafter engaged in, the transportation of freight or oil
- 14 within this State, and every telephone company, telegraph
- 15 company, express company, gas company, palace car company and
- 16 sleeping car company, now or hereafter incorporated or organized
- 17 by or under any law of this Commonwealth as a public utility, or
- 18 now or hereafter organized or incorporated by any other state or
- 19 by the United States or any foreign government and doing
- 20 business in this Commonwealth as a public utility, and every
- 21 limited partnership, association, joint-stock association,
- 22 copartnership, person or persons, engaged in telephone,
- 23 telegraph, express, [gas,] palace car or sleeping car business
- 24 in this Commonwealth <u>as a public utility</u>, shall pay to the State
- 25 Treasurer, through the Department of Revenue, a tax of forty-
- 26 four mills upon each dollar of the gross receipts of the
- 27 corporation, company or association, limited partnership, joint-
- 28 stock association, copartnership, person or persons, received
- 29 from passengers, baggage, and freight transported wholly within
- 30 this State, from telegraph or telephone messages transmitted

- 1 wholly within this State, from express, palace car or sleeping
- 2 car business done wholly within this State, or from the sales of
- 3 gas to the public from a public utility, except gross receipts
- 4 derived from sales to any municipality owned or operated public
- 5 utility and except gross receipts derived from the sales for
- 6 resale, to persons, partnerships, associations, corporations or
- 7 political subdivisions subject to the tax imposed by this act
- 8 upon gross receipts derived from such resale and from the
- 9 transportation of gas or oil done wholly within this State. The
- 10 gross receipts of gas companies shall include the gross receipts
- 11 from the sale of artificial and natural gas, but shall not
- 12 include gross receipts from the sale of liquefied petroleum gas.
- 13 For purposes of this section, gas companies shall mean only
- 14 those companies whose rates and conditions of service are
- 15 regulated by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.
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- 17 Section 2. This act shall be retroactive to March 4, 1971.
- 18 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.