THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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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 6 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, " reducing the rate of corporate net income tax; 10 11 and including electric utilities on the increased gross 12 receipts tax and additional surtax. 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. Section 402 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, 16 No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, amended August 4, 17 1991 (P.L.97, No.22), is amended to read: 18 Section 402. Imposition of Tax. -- Every corporation shall be 19 subject to, and shall pay for the privilege of (i) doing business in this Commonwealth; or (ii) carrying on activities in 20 21 this Commonwealth; (iii) having capital or property employed or 22 used in this Commonwealth; or (iv) owning property in this

- 1 Commonwealth, by or in the name of itself, or any person,
- 2 partnership, association, limited partnership, joint-stock
- 3 association, or corporation, a State excise tax at the rate of
- 4 twelve per cent per annum upon each dollar of taxable income of
- 5 such corporation received by, and accruing to, such corporation
- 6 during the calendar year 1971 and the first six months of 1972
- 7 and at the rate of eleven per cent per annum upon each dollar of
- 8 taxable income of such corporation received by, and accruing to,
- 9 such corporation during the second six months of calendar year
- 10 1972 through the calendar year 1973 and at the rate of nine and
- 11 one-half per cent per annum upon each dollar of taxable income
- 12 of such corporation received by, and accruing to, such
- 13 corporation during the calendar years 1974, 1975 and 1976 and at
- 14 the rate of ten and one-half per cent per annum upon each dollar
- 15 of taxable income of such corporation received by, and accruing
- 16 to, such corporation during the calendar year 1977 through the
- 17 calendar year 1984 and at the rate of nine and one-half per cent
- 18 per annum upon each dollar of taxable income of such corporation
- 19 received by and accruing to such corporation during the calendar
- 20 year 1985 through calendar year 1986 and at the rate of eight
- 21 and one-half per cent per annum upon each dollar of taxable
- 22 income of such corporation received by and accruing to such
- 23 corporation during the calendar year 1987 through the calendar
- 24 year 1990 and at the rate of ten and one-half per cent per annum
- 25 upon each dollar of taxable income of such corporation received
- 26 by and accruing to such corporation during calendar year 1991
- 27 and during each calendar year thereafter, with an additional
- 28 surtax equal to one and seventy-five hundredths per cent per
- 29 annum upon each dollar of taxable income of such corporation
- 30 received by and accruing to such corporation during calendar

- 1 [year 1991 and during each calendar year thereafter] years 1991
- 2 and 1992 and an additional surtax of nine-tenths of one per cent
- 3 per annum upon each dollar of taxable income of such corporation
- 4 received by and accruing to such corporation during calendar
- 5 <u>year 1993 and each year thereafter</u>, except where a corporation
- 6 reports to the Federal Government on the basis of a fiscal year,
- 7 and has certified such fact to the department as required by
- 8 section 403 of this article, in which case, such tax, at the
- 9 rate of twelve per cent, shall be levied, collected, and paid
- 10 upon all taxable income received by, and accruing to, such
- 11 corporation during the first six months of the fiscal year
- 12 commencing in the calendar year 1972 and at the rate of eleven
- 13 per cent, shall be levied, collected, and paid upon all taxable
- 14 income received by, and accruing to, such corporation during the
- 15 second six months of the fiscal year commencing in the calendar
- 16 year 1972 and during the fiscal year commencing in the calendar
- 17 year 1973 and at the rate of nine and one-half per cent, shall
- 18 be levied, collected, and paid upon all taxable income received
- 19 by, and accruing to, such corporation during the fiscal year
- 20 commencing in the calendar years 1974, 1975 and 1976 and at the
- 21 rate of ten and one-half per cent, shall be levied, collected,
- 22 and paid upon all taxable income received by, and accruing to,
- 23 such corporation during the fiscal year commencing in the
- 24 calendar year 1977 through the fiscal year commencing in 1984
- 25 and at the rate of nine and one-half per cent, shall be levied,
- 26 collected, and paid upon all taxable income received by and
- 27 accruing to such corporation during the fiscal year commencing
- 28 in 1985 through the fiscal year commencing in 1986 and at the
- 29 rate of eight and one-half per cent per annum upon each dollar
- 30 of taxable income of such corporation received by and accruing

- 1 to such corporation during the fiscal year commencing in 1987
- 2 through the fiscal year commencing in 1990 and at the rate of
- 3 ten and one-half per cent per annum upon each dollar of taxable
- 4 income of such corporation received by and accruing to such
- 5 corporation during the fiscal year commencing in 1991 and during
- 6 each fiscal year thereafter, with an additional surtax equal to
- 7 one and seventy-five hundredths per cent per annum upon each
- 8 dollar of taxable income of such corporation received by and
- 9 accruing to such corporation during the fiscal year commencing
- 10 in 1991 [and during each fiscal year thereafter] and 1992 and an
- 11 additional surtax of nine-tenths of one per cent per annum upon
- 12 <u>each dollar of taxable income of such corporation received by</u>
- 13 and accruing to such corporation during the fiscal year
- 14 commencing in 1993 and during each fiscal year thereafter. No
- 15 penalty prescribed by subsection (e) of section 3003 shall be
- 16 assessed against a corporation for the additional tax which may
- 17 be due as a result of the increase in tax rate from nine and
- 18 one-half per cent to ten and one-half per cent imposed
- 19 retroactively by this section for the calendar year 1977 or for
- 20 the fiscal year commencing in 1977.
- 21 Section 2. Section 1101(b) of the act, amended July 13, 1987
- 22 (P.L.317, No.58), is amended to read:
- 23 Section 1101. Imposition of Tax.--* * *
- 24 (b) Electric Light, Waterpower and Hydro-electric
- 25 Utilities. -- Every electric light company, waterpower company and
- 26 hydro-electric company now or hereafter incorporated or
- 27 organized by or under any law of this Commonwealth, or now or
- 28 hereafter organized or incorporated by any other state or by the
- 29 United States or any foreign government and doing business in
- 30 this Commonwealth, and every limited partnership, association,

- 1 joint-stock association, copartnership, person or persons,
- 2 engaged in electric light and power business, waterpower
- 3 business and hydro-electric business in this Commonwealth, shall
- 4 pay to the State Treasurer, through the Department of Revenue, a
- 5 tax of [forty-four] forty-five mills with a surtax equal to five
- 6 mills upon each dollar of the gross receipts of the corporation,
- 7 company or association, limited partnership, joint-stock
- 8 association, copartnership, person or persons, received from:
- 9 (1) the sales of electric energy within this State, except
- 10 gross receipts derived from the sales for resale of electric
- 11 energy to persons, partnerships, associations, corporations or
- 12 political subdivisions subject to the tax imposed by this
- 13 subsection upon gross receipts derived from such resale; and
- 14 (2) the sales of electric energy produced in Pennsylvania
- 15 and made outside of Pennsylvania in a state that has taken
- 16 action since December 21, 1977 which results in higher costs for
- 17 electric energy produced in that state and sold in Pennsylvania
- 18 unless the action that was taken after December 21, 1977 is
- 19 rescinded according to the following apportionment formula:
- 20 except for gross receipts derived from sales under clause (1),
- 21 the gross receipts from all sales of electricity of the producer
- 22 shall be apportioned to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the
- 23 ratio of the producer's operating and maintenance expenses in
- 24 Pennsylvania and depreciation attributable to property in
- 25 Pennsylvania to the producer's total operating and maintenance
- 26 expenses and depreciation.
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- 28 Section 3. This act shall be retroactive to the tax years
- 29 beginning on or after January 1, 1993.
- 30 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.