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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, MAY 13, 1999

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AN ACT

1 Requiring the Department of Community and Economic Development  
2 to require a certification that a developer has no delinquent  
3 municipal taxes within certain taxing districts or  
4 outstanding utility bills as part of a grant or loan from the  
5 department.

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

8 Section 1. Certification required.

9 The Department of Community and Economic Development shall  
10 require, in cases where a municipality, county, authority or  
11 quasi-governmental agency accepts an award from the department  
12 and passes this award on to a private developer, a certification  
13 that the developer has no delinquent taxes to any of the taxing  
14 districts where the development project is proposed to be  
15 located or any municipal utility bills that are more than one  
16 year outstanding. This certification shall be in form and  
17 content developed by the department and shall be executed by an  
18 authorized officer of the developer. This certification shall be  
19 included as part of any closing document of the grant or loan

1 from the department.

2 Section 2. Definitions.

3 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
4 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
5 context clearly indicates otherwise:

6 "Delinquent." Taxes shall be considered delinquent on  
7 December 31 of each calendar year for all taxing districts.

8 "Municipal utility bills." Utility bills for services  
9 provided by a utility which is wholly owned and operated by a  
10 municipality or municipal authority. The term shall include, but  
11 not be limited to, water, sewer and solid waste disposal utility  
12 bills.

13 Section 3. Effective date.

14 This act shall take effect in 60 days.