THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2126 Session of 2001

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, NOVEMBER 13, 2001

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of June 22, 2001 (P.L.374, No.24), entitled "An act providing for optional occupation tax replacement; and making a repeal," further providing for the definitions of
- 4 "governing body" and "political subdivision" and for earned
- 5 income tax limits; and making an editorial correction.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. The title of the act of June 22, 2001 (P.L.374,
- 9 No.24), known as the Optional Occupation Tax Elimination Act, is
- 10 amended to read:
- 11 AN ACT
- 12 Providing for optional occupation tax replacement[; and making a
- 13 repeal].
- 14 Section 2. The definitions of "governing body" and
- 15 "political subdivision" in section 2 of the act are amended to
- 16 read:
- 17 Section 2. Definitions.
- 18 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall

- 1 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 2 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 3 * * *
- 4 "Governing body." A city council, borough council,
- 5 <u>incorporated town council</u>, board of township commissioners,
- 6 board of township supervisors, a governing council of a home
- 7 rule municipality or optional plan municipality, a governing
- 8 council of any similar general purpose unit of government which
- 9 <u>may hereafter be created by statute or a</u> board of school
- 10 directors of a school district.
- 11 * * *
- 12 "Political subdivision." Any city, borough, incorporated
- 13 town, township or school district.
- 14 * * *
- 15 Section 3. Section 4(c) of the act is amended to read:
- 16 Section 4. Earned income tax rate limits.
- 17 * * *
- 18 (c) Other rates of taxation. -- If a municipality or school
- 19 district, both of which impose an earned income tax on the same
- 20 individual under The Local Tax Enabling Act and both of which
- 21 are limited to or have agreed upon a division of the tax rate in
- 22 accordance with section 8(3) of The Local Tax Enabling Act, and
- 23 the school district receives voter approval under section 7 and
- 24 opts to increase the rate of earned income tax in excess of that
- 25 limit or agreement, then the municipality or school district
- 26 which does not receive voter approval shall remain subject to
- 27 that limit or agreement.
- 28 Section 4. This act shall apply to political subdivisions
- 29 which levy an occupation tax on the effective date of this act.
- 30 Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.