THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 294

Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY THOMPSON, WENGER, HELFRICK, KITCHEN, KUKOVICH, MADIGAN, MOWERY, LAVALLE, COSTA, WAUGH, ORIE, GREENLEAF, ROBBINS, LEMMOND, ERICKSON, ARMSTRONG, RHOADES, MUSTO, O'PAKE, CORMAN, KASUNIC, WONDERLING, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY AND BOSCOLA, FEBRUARY 13, 2003

REFERRED TO FINANCE, FEBRUARY 13, 2003

AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), entitled "An act relating to tax reform and State taxation by codifying 2 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 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and 9 10 penalties, "further providing for farmland valuation for 11 inheritance tax. 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows:
- 14 Section 1. Section 2122(a) of the act of March 4, 1971
- 15 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended
- 16 by adding a definition and the section is amended by adding a
- 17 subsection to read:
- 18 Section 2122. Valuation of Certain Farmland.--(a) The
- 19 following words and phrases, when used in this section, shall
- 20 have the meaning ascribed to them in this section, except where
- 21 the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- 1 * * *
- 2 <u>"Agricultural conservation easement."</u> As defined in section
- 3 of the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the
- 4 <u>"Agricultural Area Security Law."</u>
- 5 * * *
- 6 (e) Realty which is part of an agricultural conservation
- 7 <u>easement shall be valued at one dollar (\$1.00) per acre.</u>
- 8 Section 2. The amendment or addition of section 2122(a) and
- 9 (e) of the act shall apply to the estates of decedents who die
- 10 on or after the effective date of this act.
- 11 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.