THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, JANUARY 22, 2014

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 and enumerating certain subjects of taxation and imposing 3 taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing 5 for tax credits in certain cases; conferring powers and 6 imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, certain employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations 8 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and 9 penalties," in city revitalization and improvement zones, 10 further providing for approval. 11 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 1804-C of the act of March 4, 1971 14 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, added July 15 9, 2013 (P.L.270, No.52), is amended to read: 16 Section 1804-C. Approval. 17 18 Submission. -- A contracting authority may apply to the
- 19 Department of Community and Economic Development for approval of
- 20 a zone plan. The application must include all of the following:
- 21 (1) A plan to establish one or more facilities which

- will promote economic development.
- 2 (2) An economic development plan.
- 3 (3) Specific information relating to the facility which 4 will be constructed, including infrastructure and site
- 5 preparation, reconstructed or renovated as part of the plan.
- 6 (4) Other information as required by the Department of
 7 Community and Economic Development, the office or the
 8 department.
- 9 (5) A designation of the specific geographic area,
 10 including parcel numbers and a map of the zone with parcel
 11 numbers, of which the zone will consist.
- 12 (b) Agencies. -- The Department of Community and Economic
- 13 Development, the office and the department must approve each
- 14 application.
- 15 (c) Approval schedule. -- The Department of Community and
- 16 Economic Development shall develop a schedule for the approval
- 17 of applications under this section as follows:
- 18 (1) Following the effective date of this paragraph,
- 19 applications for two initial zones may be approved.
- 20 <u>(1.1) In calendar year 2014, applications for two</u>
- 21 <u>additional zones may be approved.</u>
- 22 (2) Beginning in 2016, applications for two additional 23 zones may be approved each calendar year.
- 24 (3) Following the effective date of this paragraph, the
- Department of Community and Economic Development, the office
- and the department, may approve one pilot zone.
- 27 (d) Time. -- An application under this section shall be
- 28 approved or disapproved within 90 days of the postmark date of
- 29 submission. An application which is not disapproved within the
- 30 time period under this subsection shall be deemed to be

- 1 approved.
- 2 (e) Reapplication.--If an application is not approved under
- 3 this section, the applicant may revise the application and plan
- 4 and reapply for approval.
- 5 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.