

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1068 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY BROOKS, AUMENT, BAKER, BENNINGHOFF, BISHOP, BLOOM, CAUSER, D. COSTA, COX, CUTLER, DAVIS, DAY, DENLINGER, DUNBAR, EMRICK, EVANKOVICH, EVERETT, FARRY, FLECK, GABLER, GILLEN, GINGRICH, GROVE, HARHART, C. HARRIS, HESS, HICKERNELL, KAUFFMAN, M. K. KELLER, W. KELLER, KNOWLES, KORTZ, LAWRENCE, LONGIETTI, MACKENZIE, MAJOR, MATZIE, METCALFE, MILLARD, MILLER, MILNE, MOUL, MURT, MUSTIO, PICKETT, QUINN, RAPP, READSHAW, SACCONI, SAYLOR, STEPHENS, STEVENSON, SWANGER, TALLMAN, TOEPEL, YOUNGBLOOD AND BARRAR, APRIL 2, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, APRIL 2, 2013

AN ACT

1 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
 4 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
 8 employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations
 9 and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and
 10 penalties," further providing for rate of inheritance tax.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 2116(a) of the act of March 4, 1971
 14 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, amended May
 15 24, 2000 (P.L.106, No.23), is amended to read:

16 Section 2116. Inheritance Tax.--(a) (1) Inheritance tax
 17 upon the transfer of property passing to or for the use of any
 18 of the following shall be at the rate of [four and one-half] two

1 and one-quarter per cent:

2 (i) grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, except
3 transfers under subclause (1.2), and lineal descendants; or

4 (ii) wife or widow and husband or widower of a child.

5 (1.1) Inheritance tax upon the transfer of property passing
6 to or for the use of a husband or wife shall be:

7 (i) At the rate of three per cent for estates of decedents
8 dying on or after July 1, 1994, and before January 1, 1995.

9 (ii) At a rate of zero per cent for estates of decedents
10 dying on or after January 1, 1995.

11 (1.2) Inheritance tax upon the transfer of property from a
12 child twenty-one years of age or younger to or for the use of a
13 natural parent, an adoptive parent or a stepparent of the child
14 shall be at the rate of zero per cent.

15 (1.3) Inheritance tax upon the transfer of property passing
16 to or for the use of a sibling shall be at the rate of [twelve]
17 six per cent.

18 (2) Inheritance tax upon the transfer of property passing to
19 or for the use of all persons other than those designated in
20 subclause (1), (1.1), (1.2) or (1.3) or exempt under section
21 2111(m) shall be at the rate of [fifteen] seven and one-half per
22 cent.

23 (3) When property passes to or for the use of a husband and
24 wife with right of survivorship, one of whom is taxable at a
25 rate lower than the other, the lower rate of tax shall be
26 applied to the entire interest.

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28 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, or
29 immediately, whichever is later.