

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5983



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by: REP. WOOD, 141st Dist. REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX REFORMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) establish a cap on the 2 annual property tax growth of any local government entity, including, 3 but not limited to, municipalities, special taxing districts and regional 4 school districts, to the lesser of two per cent or the amount of increase to 5 the consumer price index, where negative consumer price index growth 6 shall be treated as zero; (2) exclude from property tax growth added tax 7 revenue from new construction or other value increasing activity in the 8 previous fiscal year so as to not penalize tax base growth and to account 9 for new or expiring abatements as they occur; (3) permit the cap to be 10 exceeded by a supermajority in a vote by the legislative body or by 11 referendum, as applicable; (4) permit entities to carry over an unused 12 levy below the cap for one successive fiscal year; and (5) penalize entities 13 that exceed the cap by reducing such entities' cap for the next fiscal year.

## Statement of Purpose:

To stabilize property tax growth and support affordable home and business ownership.