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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1898 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY LAWRENCE, CALTAGIRONE, DeLUCA, GROVE, JAMES,  
McNEILL, MENTZER, MULLERY, MURT, O'NEAL, PYLE, RAPP, SAYLOR,  
YOUNGBLOOD AND ZIMMERMAN, SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS, SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in disabled veterans' real estate tax  
3 exemption, further providing for duty of commission by  
4 removing a rebuttable presumption.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 8904(1) of Title 51 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 8904. Duty of commission.

10 The commission shall:

11 (1) Fix uniform and equitable standards for determining  
12 the need for exemption from the payment of real estate taxes  
13 granted by this act. [In fixing such uniform and equitable  
14 standards, the commission shall apply a rebuttable  
15 presumption that an applicant with annual income of \$75,000  
16 or less has a need for the exemption. Beginning on January 1,  
17 2009, and every two years thereafter, the commission shall  
18 adjust the annual income level qualifying for the rebuttable

1 presumption of need by an amount equal to the change in the  
2 Consumer Price Index in the preceding two years. The  
3 commission shall publish the adjusted annual income level  
4 qualifying for the rebuttable presumption of need as a notice  
5 in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.]

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7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.