PROPERTY TAX/RENT REBATE FACT SHEET

This is a brief summary of items may be needed file for the property tax or rent rebate. For a complete list of acceptable documentation, please refer to either Senator Browne's staff, the rebate booklet or www.revenue.state.pa.us. You are responsible to obtain your documentation.

Eligible applicants are homeowners or renters who paid property taxes or rent last year. You must be one of the following; 65 or older, a widow or widower ages 50-64 or 18 or older with permanent disability.

The income limits to qualify are a maximum of \$35,000 for homeowners and a maximum of \$15,000 for renters. This includes all income, however only half (1/2) of the total of Social Security or Railroad Retirement Income received is counted.

Homeowners

Maximum Rebate
\$650.00
\$500.00
\$300.00
\$250.00
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\$0 - \$8,000 \$650.00 \$8,001 - \$15,000 \$500.00

When completing a rent rebate application you may need to provide additional information. Below you will find a brief list of the most common items that may be needed. This list is based on the types of rebates we've prepared. There may be additional items required depending on your specific living situation and/or income items.

✓ Property owners need to bring one of the following proof of paid homeowner taxes (Homeowner taxes include city or township, school district and county): Property tax receipts stamped paid, a letter from taxing authority showing taxes are paid, an end of the year home mortgage statement showing taxes on property were paid by mortgage company or the front and back of cancelled checks for taxes paid along with copies of tax bills.

✓Renters will need to have one of the following proof of rent paid: PA1000RC Rental Certificate completed and signed by landlord, a signed letter on letterhead from rental agency/housing agency stating rent paid for 12 months or rent receipts showing name of renter, address of property, amount of rent and signed by landlord. In some cases where this information is not available, the affidavit portion of the certificate can be notarized. For your convenience, Senator Browne's Allentown office provides notary services at no cost.

✓Photo identification for proof of age. If photo identification is not available, other items may be used such as, but not limited to, birth certificate, Baptismal Record or Medicare Card. You will only need to provide this information for the first time you file. Once you are in the program, you do not need to send proof each year you file.

✓Income documentation including statement(s) from Social Security, any 1099 and W2 forms, interest, dividends and capital gains statements.

✓If you are a first time filer, <u>UNDER</u> the age of 65 and permanently disabled, you will need to provide information from Social Security regarding your determination of benefits or an award letter. If you do not have this information, please let us know.

If you have any questions or need more information about the property tax/rent rebate application, please contact our office at:

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