

City of Philadelphia

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Committee on Finance

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 19-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Tax Exemptions for Longtime Owner-Occupants of Residential Properties," by extending the time for which such exemptions are available, under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 19-3900 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 19-3900. TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR LONGTIME OWNER-OCCUPANTS OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES.

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§ 19-3905. Benefit Determinations.

(1) For purposes of calculating City and School District real estate taxes, upon application pursuant to subsection (2), below, if the certified market value of an eligible property for any tax year, minus any homestead exclusion, is more than three times the certified market value of such property for the immediately preceding tax year, then the certified market value of such property for such tax year shall be deemed to equal three times the certified market value of such property for the immediately preceding tax year, and no further homestead exclusion shall be allowed. The foregoing deemed certified market value shall remain the deemed certified market value until such property is sold,

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transferred or is no longer the principal residence of the eligible [taxpayer, but in no event for more than ten years.] *taxpayer*.

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Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted. *Italics* indicate new matter added.