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AN ACT

Amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), entitled "An 1 act relating to the rights, obligations and liabilities of 2 landlord and tenant and of parties dealing with them and 3 amending, revising, changing and consolidating the law relating thereto," providing for tenants' right to disclosure 5 relating to foreclosure. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 8 hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. The act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, is amended by adding an 10 article to read: 11 12 ARTICLE V-C 13 TENANTS' RIGHT TO DISCLOSURE Section 501-C. Definitions. 14 15 The following words and phrases when used in this article 16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the 17 context clearly indicates otherwise: 18 "Fixed-term tenancy." A tenancy that has a fixed term of existence, continuing to a specific ending date and terminating 19

- 1 on that date without requiring further notice to effect the
- 2 termination.
- 3 "Landlord." An individual or entity owning, controlling,
- 4 <u>leasing</u>, operating or managing premises used as a dwelling unit.
- 5 "Month-to-month tenancy." A tenancy that automatically
- 6 renews and continues for successive monthly periods on the same
- 7 terms and conditions originally agreed to, or as revised by the
- 8 parties, until terminated by one or both of the parties.
- 9 <u>"Tenant." A person entitled under a rental agreement to</u>
- 10 occupy a dwelling unit to the exclusion of others, including a
- 11 dwelling unit owned, operated or controlled by a public housing
- 12 authority.
- 13 "Week-to-week tenancy." An occupancy that is charged on a
- 14 weekly basis and is payable no less frequently than every seven
- 15 days, where there is a written rental agreement that defines the
- 16 landlord's and tenant's rights and responsibilities.
- 17 Section 502-C. Notice of foreclosure.
- 18 (a) General rule. -- A landlord shall disclose to all tenants
- 19 <u>a certified copy of a foreclosure notice required under section</u>
- 20 403-C of the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), known
- 21 as the Housing Finance Agency Law, on the premises used as a
- 22 <u>dwelling unit.</u>
- 23 (b) Fixed-term tenancy. -- Notice under subsection (a) shall
- 24 be provided by the landlord or recipient of a notice of
- 25 foreclosure to a tenant of a fixed-term tenancy at least 60 days
- 26 prior to the termination specified in the notice of foreclosure.
- 27 (c) Month-to-month and week-to-week tenancies. -- Notice under
- 28 subsection (a) shall be provided by the landlord or recipient of
- 29 a notice of foreclosure to a tenant of a month-to-month tenancy
- 30 or a week-to-week tenancy at least 30 days before the

- 1 termination specified in the notice of foreclosure.
- 2 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.