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District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

“Farmland and Woodland Tax Assessment Integrity and Investment Act.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Commerce, Economic Development and Agriculture Committee on January 5, 2026, with amendments.



1 AN ACT concerning farmland assessment and amending and
2 supplementing P.L.1964, c.48.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 5 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.5) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 5. a. Except as otherwise provided in subsection d. of this
10 section, land, five acres in area, shall be deemed to be actively
11 devoted to agricultural or horticultural use when the amount of the
12 gross sales of agricultural or horticultural products produced
13 thereon, any payments received under a soil conservation program,
14 fees received for breeding, raising or grazing any livestock, income
15 imputed to cropland pastured and permanent pasture land used for
16 grazing in the amount determined by the State Farmland Evaluation
17 Committee created pursuant to section 20 of P.L.1964, c.48
18 (C.54:4-23.20), and fees received for boarding, rehabilitating ¹ or
19 training any livestock where the land under the boarding,
20 rehabilitating ¹ or training facilities is contiguous to land which
21 otherwise qualifies for valuation, assessment and taxation under
22 P.L.1964, c.48, have averaged at least \$1,000 per year during the
23 two-year period immediately preceding the tax year in issue, or
24 there is clear evidence of anticipated yearly gross sales, payments,
25 fees, and imputed income amounting to at least \$1,000 within a
26 reasonable period of time, or such amount as may be established by
27 the State Farmland Evaluation Committee pursuant to this section.
28 In the case of woodland subject to a woodland management plan
29 pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.3), the amount
30 shall be at least \$500, or such amount as may be established by the
31 State Farmland Evaluation Committee pursuant to this section.
32 **【Every three years, or sooner at the call of the Secretary of**
33 **Agriculture or the Director of the Division of Taxation, the State**
34 **Farmland Evaluation Committee shall review the】** The minimum
35 gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income requirements, and
36 anticipated yearly gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income
37 requirements, established in this section for the first five acres **【,**
38 **and may,】** shall be adjusted by the State Farmland Evaluation
39 Committee pursuant to subsection c. of section 20 of P.L.1964, c.48
40 (C.54:4-23.20), and the committee shall, by rule or regulation
41 adopted pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968,
42 c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), **【raise】** adjust the amounts of those
43 minimums to such levels as the committee determines appropriate.
44 Any **【increase】** adjustment made to the minimum gross sales,
45 payments, fees, and imputed income requirements, and anticipated

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly ACE committee amendments adopted January 5, 2026.

1 yearly gross sales, payments, fees and imputed income
2 requirements, for the first five acres as authorized pursuant to this
3 section shall ~~not be enforced until the third~~ take effect the second
4 full tax year following adoption of the ~~increase~~ adjustment.

5 In addition, where the land is more than five acres in area, it
6 shall be deemed to be actively devoted to agricultural or
7 horticultural use when the amount of the gross sales of agricultural
8 or horticultural products produced on the area above five acres, any
9 payments received under a soil conservation program, fees received
10 for breeding, raising or grazing any livestock, income imputed to
11 cropland pastured and permanent pasture land used for grazing in
12 the amount determined by the State Farmland Evaluation
13 Committee created pursuant to section 20 of P.L.1964, c.48
14 (C.54:4-23.20), and fees received for boarding, rehabilitating ₂
15 or training any livestock where the land under the boarding,
16 rehabilitating ₂ or training facilities is contiguous to land which
17 otherwise qualifies for valuation, assessment ₂ and taxation under
18 P.L.1964, c.48, have averaged at least \$5.00 per acre per year
19 during the two-year period immediately preceding the tax year in
20 issue, or there is clear evidence of anticipated yearly gross sales,
21 payments, fees, and imputed income amounting to an average of at
22 least \$5.00 per year within a reasonable period of time; except in
23 the case of woodland and wetland, where the minimum requirement
24 shall be an average of \$0.50 per acre on the area above five acres.
25 The minimum gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income
26 requirements, and anticipated yearly gross sales, payments, fees,
27 and imputed income requirements, established in this section for
28 land that is more than five acres in area shall be adjusted by the
29 State Farmland Evaluation Committee pursuant to subsection c. of
30 section 20 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.20), and the committee
31 may, by rule or regulation adopted pursuant to the "Administrative
32 Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), adjust the
33 amounts of those minimums to such levels as the committee
34 determines appropriate. Any adjustment made to the minimum
35 gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income requirements, and
36 anticipated yearly gross sales, payments, fees and imputed income
37 requirements, for land that is more than five acres in area as
38 authorized pursuant to this section shall take effect the second full
39 tax year following adoption of the adjustment.

40 In addition, in order for land to be deemed to be actively devoted
41 to agricultural or horticultural use, the activity and use must be
42 consistent with the guidelines describing generally accepted
43 agricultural and horticultural practices developed and adopted
44 pursuant to subsection a. of section 1 of P.L.2013, c.43 (C.54:4-
45 23.3d).

46 As used in this section, "livestock" shall not include dogs.

47 For the purposes of this section, the presence of an intervening
48 public thoroughfare shall not preclude a finding of contiguity.

1 b. (1) Land previously qualified as actively devoted to
2 agricultural or horticultural use under P.L.1964, c.48, but failing to
3 meet the additional requirement on acreage above five acres, shall
4 not be subject to the roll-back tax because of such disqualification,
5 but shall be treated as land for which an annual application has not
6 been submitted, provided that the land remains in agricultural or
7 horticultural use.

8 (2) Land previously qualified as actively devoted to agricultural
9 or horticultural use under P.L.1964, c.48, but failing to meet any
10 increase in the minimum amount of gross sales, payments and fees
11 received, and imputed income requirements, and anticipated yearly
12 gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income requirements,
13 established pursuant to subsection a. of this section, shall not be
14 subject to the roll-back tax because of such disqualification, but
15 shall be treated as land for which an annual application has not been
16 submitted, provided that the land remains in agricultural or
17 horticultural use.

18 (3) Land qualified as actively devoted to agricultural or
19 horticultural use as of the day before the date of enactment of
20 P.L.2013, c.43 (C.54:4-23.3d et al.) due to the use of payments or
21 other compensation received under a soil conservation program
22 agreement with any agency of the federal government, but which
23 payments or other compensation do not meet the minimum amounts
24 required pursuant to subsection a. of this section as amended by
25 P.L.2013, c.43 (C.54:4-23.3d et al.), shall continue to be deemed to
26 be actively devoted to agricultural or horticultural use for purposes
27 of valuation, assessment and taxation under P.L.1964, c.48 until the
28 end of the soil conservation program agreement period.

29 c. In determining the eligibility of land for valuation,
30 assessment, and taxation pursuant to P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et
31 seq.), the assessor of the taxing district in which the land is located
32 shall, upon request by the owner of the land, exempt the owner from
33 the income requirements of this section if the owner demonstrates
34 to the satisfaction of the assessor that the failure to meet the income
35 requirements was due to an injury, illness, or death of the person
36 responsible for performing the activities which produce the income
37 necessary to meet the income eligibility requirement of this section.
38 The request of the owner shall be accompanied by a certificate of a
39 physician stating that the person was physically incapacitated or by
40 a certified copy of the death certificate, as the case may be. The
41 assessor may only grant an exemption once for a particular illness,
42 injury, or death.

43 d. The gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income
44 received pursuant to the requirements of this section shall not apply
45 to land that (1) is the subject of a forest stewardship plan approved
46 by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to section
47 3 of P.L.2009, c.256 (C.13:1L-31) which is fully implemented, and
48 (2) otherwise qualifies under the "Farmland Assessment Act of

1 1964," P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.), for valuation,
2 assessment and taxation as land in agricultural or horticultural use
3 pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.3).
4 (cf: P.L.2013, c.43, s.2)

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6 2. Section 13 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.13) is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 13. Eligibility of land for valuation, assessment ₂ and taxation
9 under this act shall be determined for each tax year separately.
10 Application shall be submitted by the owner to the assessor of the
11 taxing district in which such land is situated on or before August 1
12 or September 1, if an extension of time has been granted by the
13 assessor under section 6 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.6), of the year
14 immediately preceding the tax year for which such valuation,
15 assessment and taxation are sought. If the application is filed by
16 delivery through the mails or a commercial courier or messenger
17 service, compliance with the time limit for filing shall be
18 established if there is satisfactory evidence that it was committed
19 for delivery to the United States Postal Service or the courier or
20 messenger service within the time allowed for filing. In the case of
21 a courier or messenger service, the application shall be received by
22 the tax assessor of the taxing district within three days after the
23 statutory filing date. An application once filed with the assessor for
24 the ensuing tax year may not be withdrawn by the applicant after
25 August 1 or after September 1, in cases where an extension of time
26 for filing the application has been granted by the assessor, of the
27 pretax year.

28 If a change in use of the land occurs between August 1 and
29 December 31 of the pretax year, either the assessor or the county
30 board of taxation shall deny or nullify such application and, after
31 examination and inquiry, shall determine the full and fair value of
32 said land under the valuation standard applicable to other land in
33 the taxing district and shall assess the same, according to such
34 value. If, notwithstanding such change of use, the land is valued,
35 assessed and taxed under the provisions of this act in the ensuing
36 year, the assessor shall enter an assessment, as an added assessment
37 against such land, in the "Added Assessment List" for the particular
38 year involved in the manner prescribed in P.L.1941, c.397 (C.54:4-
39 63.1 et seq.). The amount of the added assessment shall be in an
40 amount equal to the difference, if any, between the assessment
41 imposed under this act and the assessment which would have been
42 imposed had the land been valued and assessed as other land in the
43 taxing district. The enforcement and collection of additional taxes
44 resulting from any additional assessments so imposed shall be as
45 provided by said chapter. The additional assessment imposed under
46 this section shall not affect the roll-back taxes, if any, under section
47 8 of **[this act]** P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.8).

1 The application review shall include an on-site inspection of the
2 land at least once every three years. **【**The municipality may impose
3 a fee for an on-site inspection of not more than \$25, except that
4 contiguous and non-contiguous parcels of land owned by the same
5 owner would be subject to a single fee.**】**

6 (cf: P.L.1995,c.276,s.5)

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8 3. Section 14 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.14) is amended to
9 read as follows:

10 14. a. Application for valuation, assessment and taxation of land
11 in agricultural or horticultural use under P.L.1964, c.48 shall be on
12 a form prescribed by the Director of the Division of Taxation in the
13 Department of the Treasury, in consultation with the State Board of
14 Agriculture, and provided for the use of claimants by the governing
15 bodies of the respective taxing districts. The form of application
16 shall provide for the reporting of information pertinent to the
17 provisions of Article VIII, Section 1, paragraph 1(b) of the
18 Constitution, as amended, and P.L.1964, c.48. The form shall
19 include a plain language recitation and explanation of the guidelines
20 describing generally accepted agricultural and horticultural
21 practices developed and adopted pursuant to subsection a. of section
22 1 of P.L.2013, c.43 (C.54:4-23.3d) that may be used by municipal
23 tax assessors, county assessors, county tax administrators, and other
24 appropriate local government officials to assist them in determining
25 whether land may be deemed to be in agricultural use, horticultural
26 use, or actively devoted to agricultural or horticultural use pursuant
27 to the "Farmland Assessment Act of 1964," P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-
28 23.1 et seq.). The applicant shall include with the form of
29 application, in a manner prescribed by the director, proofs of sales
30 of agricultural or horticultural products, and of any other payments,
31 fees, or imputed income received from the agricultural or
32 horticultural use of the land, in the prior year, or clear evidence of
33 anticipated yearly gross sales, payments, fees, or imputed income,
34 amounting to at least **【**\$1,000 for the first five acres, or in the case
35 of woodland subject to a woodland management plan pursuant to
36 section 3 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.3) amounting to at least \$500
37 for the first five acres, or in either case amounting to such sums as
38 may be established by the State Farmland Evaluation Committee**】**
39 the amounts established and adjusted pursuant to subsection a. of
40 section 5 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.5).

41 In the case of land that is the subject of a forest stewardship plan
42 approved by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant
43 to section 3 of P.L.2009, c.256 (C.13:1L-31) which is fully
44 implemented, and otherwise qualifies under the "Farmland
45 Assessment Act of 1964," P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.), for
46 valuation, assessment and taxation as land in agricultural or
47 horticultural use pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-
48 23.3), no proofs required pursuant to this subsection of gross sales,

1 payments, fees, or imputed income, or of clear evidence of
2 anticipated yearly gross sales, payments, fees, or imputed income,
3 need be included with the form or otherwise submitted. However,
4 the applicant shall include documentation demonstrating
5 implementation of the forest stewardship plan, including
6 documentation of scheduled activities, a forest inventory and yield
7 parameters to document forest productivity, and inspections
8 performed, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted for the
9 forest stewardship program by the Department of Environmental
10 Protection.

11 b. A certification by the landowner that the facts set forth in the
12 application are true may be prescribed by the director to be in lieu
13 of a sworn statement to that effect. Statements so certified shall be
14 considered as if made under oath and subject to the same penalties
15 as provided by law for perjury.

16 In addition, for a gross and intentional misrepresentation on the
17 application, the landowner shall be subject to a civil penalty of up
18 to \$5,000 for the first offense, up to \$15,000 for the second offense,
19 and up to \$20,000 for the third or subsequent offense . Any such
20 civil penalty may be imposed and collected by the municipality, the
21 county, or the State, with costs, in a summary proceeding pursuant
22 to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L.1999, c.274
23 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.). The Superior Court and the municipal court
24 shall have jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of the "Penalty
25 Enforcement Law of 1999" in connection with this subsection.
26 **【One-half of any】** Any civil penalties so collected **【by a**
27 **municipality or county】** and used **【by the municipality or county】**
28 in administering and enforcing the provisions of the "Farmland
29 Assessment Act of 1964," P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.) shall
30 be retained by the municipal, county, or State entity dedicated **【in**
31 **the municipality or county.** The remaining one-half of any civil
32 penalties so collected by a municipality or county shall be paid by
33 the municipality or county to the State, and together with any civil
34 penalties so collected directly by the State, shall be dedicated and
35 used by the Department of Agriculture and the Division of Taxation
36 in administering and enforcing the provisions of P.L.1964, c.48 **】** .

37 c. Any landowner, except those who have submitted a
38 woodland management plan or a forest stewardship plan pursuant to
39 section 3 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.3), who is an applicant for
40 valuation, assessment and taxation pursuant to P.L.1964, c.48
41 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.) for lands not previously qualified under
42 P.L.1964, c.48 shall submit with the application a map of land use
43 classes and soil groups that conforms with standards established by
44 the Division of Taxation in consultation with the State Board of
45 Agriculture.

46 d. For any landowner whose farm management unit is less than
47 seven acres in size, the landowner shall submit with the application
48 form a narrative describing the agricultural or horticultural uses on

1 the farm management unit, the number of acres that will be actively
2 devoted to those uses, and a sketch of the location on the farm
3 management unit of those uses. For the purposes of this subsection,
4 "farm management unit" means a parcel or parcels of land, whether
5 contiguous or noncontiguous, together with agricultural or
6 horticultural buildings, structures and facilities, producing
7 agricultural or horticultural products, and operated as a single
8 enterprise.

9 e. The director, after consultation with the State Board of
10 Agriculture, shall include with each application a letter or other
11 document explaining any changes to the law, rules, regulations, and
12 guidelines on the valuation, assessment and taxation of land
13 pursuant to P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.) that have occurred
14 in the prior tax year and which shall be newly in effect in the tax
15 year for which the application is being submitted.

16 f. The director shall devise a form for the extension of filing
17 time for the valuation application, which form shall include the
18 name and address of the applicant, the reason for the extension, and
19 a space for the approval or rejection of the assessor.

20 ¹g. An applicant shall pay an application fee of \$100 for each
21 parcel, except that contiguous and non-contiguous parcels owned by
22 the same owner and located in the same municipality would be
23 subject to a single fee. The director shall retain 10 percent of each
24 application fee to be used for the maintenance of the application
25 portal developed pursuant to section 6 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending
26 before the Legislature as this bill) and other duties in administering
27 the "Farmland Assessment Act of 1964," P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-
28 23.1 et seq.). The director shall remit the remaining amount to the
29 municipality in which the parcel is located. Amounts received by a
30 municipality pursuant to this subsection shall be used by the
31 municipality exclusively for the purposes of conducting inspections
32 required pursuant to section 13 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.13)
33 and other duties in administering the "Farmland Assessment Act of
34 1964," P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.).¹
35 (cf: P.L.2013, c.43, s.4)

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37 4. Section 20 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.20) is amended to
38 read as follows:

39 20. a. There is hereby created a State Farmland Evaluation
40 Committee, the members of which shall be the Director of the
41 Division of Taxation; the Dean of the College of Agriculture,
42 Rutgers, The State University; the Secretary of Agriculture; the
43 State Forester; a municipal tax assessor, county assessor **[,]** or
44 county tax administrator, who shall be appointed by the Governor
45 with the advice and consent of the Senate; a forester selected from
46 the list of Approved Consulting Foresters maintained by the
47 Department of Environmental Protection; a member of the public
48 with demonstrated interest in government accountability and

1 equitable taxation; and a farmer who is a current or former member
2 of the State Board of Agriculture, who shall be appointed by the
3 Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Each
4 appointed member shall serve for a term of three years and may be
5 appointed to successive terms. The appointed members shall serve
6 from the date of the original appointment for the aforementioned
7 specified terms and until their respective successors shall be duly
8 appointed and qualified.

9 b. The committee shall meet **【from time to time】** no less than
10 twice annually, either as the committee members may collectively
11 determine or on the call of the Secretary of Agriculture or the
12 Director of the Division of Taxation **【and】** the committee shall
13 annually determine and publish a range of values for each of the
14 several classifications of land in agricultural and horticultural use in
15 the various areas of the State. The committee shall determine the
16 ranges in fair value of such land based upon its productive
17 capabilities when devoted to agricultural or horticultural uses. In
18 making these annual determinations of value, the committee shall
19 consider available evidence of agricultural or horticultural
20 capability derived from the soil survey at Rutgers, The State
21 University, the National Co-operative Soil Survey, and such other
22 evidence of value of land devoted exclusively to agricultural or
23 horticultural uses as it may in its judgment deem pertinent. On or
24 before October 1 of each year, the committee shall make these
25 ranges of fair value available to the assessing authority in each of
26 the taxing districts in which land in agricultural and horticultural
27 use is located.

28 c. The committee shall also conduct the review, required every
29 three years, or sooner at the call of the Secretary of Agriculture or
30 the Director of the Division of Taxation, of the minimum gross
31 sales, payments, fees, and imputed income requirements, and
32 anticipated yearly gross sales, payments, fees, and imputed income
33 requirements, in order for land which is actively devoted to
34 agricultural or horticultural use to be eligible for valuation,
35 assessment and taxation under the provisions of P.L.1964, c.48
36 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.), as prescribed by section 5 of P.L.1964, c.48
37 (C.54:4-23.5), and **【may raise】** shall adjust the amounts of those
38 minimums to such levels as the committee determines appropriate
39 as authorized pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1964, c.48.

40 d. Within one year after the date of enactment of P.L.2013,
41 c.43 (C.54:4-23.3d et al.), and every five years thereafter, the
42 committee shall review the application form or forms for valuation,
43 assessment and taxation of land in agricultural or horticultural use
44 pursuant to P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.), and provide any
45 recommendations the committee may have thereon to the Director
46 of the Division of Taxation.

47 e. One year after the effective date of P.L. _____, c. _____ (C. _____)
48 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), and annually thereafter,

1 the committee shall prepare and submit, to the Governor, the State
2 Board of Agriculture, and, to the Legislature pursuant to section 2
3 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), a written report describing the
4 activities undertaken, setting forth any new findings and
5 recommendations developed thereby during the preceding year, and
6 providing any supplemental data and guidance or advice as the
7 committee may deem appropriate.

8 (cf: P.L.2013, c.43, s.5)

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10 5. (New section) a. The Division of Taxation in the Department
11 of the Treasury shall design and implement an Internet-based
12 application portal through which taxpayers may apply for valuation,
13 assessment, and taxation under the “Farmland Assessment Act of
14 1964,” P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.). The Internet-based
15 application portal designed and implemented pursuant to this
16 section shall allow applicants to:

17 (1) identify:

18 (a) the parcels of land for which valuation, assessment, and
19 taxation under P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.) are sought;

20 (b) the owners of the parcels;

21 (c) the operator of a farm situated on the parcels, if different
22 from the owner;

23 (d) whether the parcels are subject to a woodland management
24 plan, pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.3), or forest
25 stewardship plan approved by the Department of Environmental
26 Protection pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2009, c.256 (C.13:1L-31);
27 and

28 (e) the crops being produced on the parcels;

29 (2) certify the gross sales derived from each crop being produced
30 on the parcels;

31 (3) certify compliance with a woodland management plan or
32 forest stewardship plan, if applicable;

33 (4) attach supporting documentation. in an electronic format,
34 required for the proper execution of the State’s farmland assessment
35 laws, rules, regulations, protocols, standards, or procedures;

36 (5) certify the accuracy of the information submitted through the
37 Internet-based application portal; and

38 (6) permit the tax assessor and, where applicable, the Department
39 of Environmental Protection, to review the submissions for
40 compliance with P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.) and other
41 applicable laws and regulations.

42 b. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14 of P.L.1964, c.48
43 (C.54:4-23.14) or any law or regulation to the contrary, once an
44 Internet-based application portal is made available pursuant to this
45 section, applicants may utilize the Internet-based application portal
46 to determine the eligibility of land for valuation, assessment, and
47 taxation under P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.) and to apply for
48 valuation, assessment, and taxation under P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-

1 23.1 et seq.). Beginning August 1 of the second year following
2 implementation of the Internet-based application portal, the
3 Division of Taxation shall require that all applications for valuation,
4 assessment, and taxation under P.L.1964, c.48 (C.54:4-23.1 et seq.)
5 be submitted through the Internet-based application portal.

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7 6. This act shall take effect immediately.