

**BERKS COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU
SERVICE CENTER, 2ND FL
633 COURT STREET
READING, PA 19601
610-478-6625**

**TAX DEFERRAL OPTION FOR SENIOR
CITIZENS (ACT 220)**

PURPOSE: *Pursuant to the subsection 504 (a) and (2) of the Real Estate Tax Sale Law of July 7, 1947, P.L. 1368, as amended, 72 P.S. 5860.101, et seq.*

Permit a delay or stay of a Tax Sale and defer payment of taxes due on the property owned and occupied by senior citizens.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. 65 years of age or older
2. residing in residential real estate
3. solely owned and occupied by people all age **65** or older
4. annual household income including $\frac{1}{2}$ of Social Security is \$35,000.00 or less
5. property taxes must be delinquent

PROGRAM OPTION:

1. Defer taxes until eligible owner transfers title or is no longer the sole occupant of the residence, by placing a lien against property (insurance required). Penalties and interest charged.

HOW TO APPLY:

Contact the Berks County Tax Claim Bureau at 610-478-6625 or fill out the Application and mail to: Berks County Tax Claim, 633 Court Street, 2nd Fl., Reading, PA 19601

Pursuant to Resolution No. 355-11, each senior citizen participating in the program shall be required to a make minimum annual payment of \$500.00