STATE OF NEW YORK

9677

IN ASSEMBLY

March 29, 2016

Introduced by M. of A. BENEDETTO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Real Property Taxation

AN ACT to amend the real property tax law, in relation to a rebate of real property taxes on certain residential real property in a city having a population of one million or more

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The section heading of section 467-e of the real property tax law, as added by section 1 of part V of chapter 60 of the laws of 3 2004, is amended to read as follows:

4 Rebate for owners or tenant-stockholders of one, two [or], three, 5 <u>four, five or six</u> family residences or residential property held in the 6 condominium or cooperative form of ownership in a city having a popu-7 lation of one million or more.

8 § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 467-e of the real property tax law, as 9 amended by chapter 483 of the laws of 2007, is amended to read as 10 follows:

11 1. Generally. Notwithstanding any provision of any general, special or 12 local law to the contrary, any city having a population of one million 13 or more is hereby authorized and empowered to adopt and amend local laws in accordance with this section to grant a rebate of real property taxes 14 15 for the fiscal [years] year beginning on the first of July, two thousand 16 [three] seventeen and ending on the thirtieth of June, two thousand 17 [nine] eighteen in the amount of the lesser of four hundred dollars or 18 the annual tax liability imposed on the property. [No such local law may 19 be adopted unless, as originally adopted, it authorizes such rebate to 20 be granted in accordance with this section for three consecutive fiscal 21 years beginning with the fiscal year beginning on the first of July, two 22 thousand three.] No such rebate shall be granted by local law for any 23 fiscal year beginning on or after the first of July, two thousand [nine] eighteen, unless the council of such city, in fixing the annual tax 24 rates for any such fiscal year, shall have uniformly reduced such rates 25 26 for all classes of property in order to produce real property tax relief 27 among such classes of property in an amount not less than, in the aggre-

EXPLANATION -- Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

LBD14515-02-6



gate, the aggregate amount of rebate paid in such fiscal year. [No such 1 2 local law implementing the provisions of this section, as amended by the 3 chapter of the laws of two thousand seven which added this sentence, may be adopted unless, as originally adopted, such local law authorizes such 4 5 rebate to be granted in accordance with this section for three consec-6 utive fiscal years beginning with the fiscal year beginning on the first 7 of July, two thousand six.] Any rebate authorized by local law in 8 accordance with this section shall be paid in the fiscal year following the fiscal year for which the rebate is granted. If, with respect to the 9 fiscal year of such city beginning on the first of July, two thousand 10 11 [eight] seventeen and ending on the thirtieth of June, two thousand 12 [nine] eighteen, an increase in average real property tax rates would 13 otherwise be necessary in the resolution of such city council fixing 14 real property tax rates for such fiscal year pursuant to the charter of 15 such city, then the rebate to be paid for such fiscal year shall be 16 reduced or eliminated as follows: where the sum to be raised by such 17 increase is less than seven hundred fifty million dollars, then such rebate shall be reduced by fifty cents for each dollar of increase, and 18 19 where the sum to be raised by such increase is seven hundred fifty 20 million dollars or more, then such rebate shall be eliminated. The 21 determination of the reduction or elimination of such rebate shall be 22 set forth in such resolution after consultation with the department of 23 finance of such city and shall take effect upon the final adoption of 24 such resolution. Such rebate shall be paid to an owner or tenant-stock-25 holder who, as of the date the application provided for in subdivision 26 four of this section is due, owns a one, two [or], three, four, five or 27 six family residence or a dwelling unit in residential property held in 28 the condominium or cooperative form of ownership that is the owner or tenant-stockholder's primary residence and meets all other eligibility requirements of this section. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary 29 30 in sections four hundred twenty-one-a, four hundred twenty-one-b or four 31 32 hundred twenty-one-g of this title, an owner or tenant-stockholder whose 33 property is receiving benefits pursuant to such sections shall not be 34 prohibited from receiving a rebate pursuant to this section if such owner or tenant-stockholder is otherwise eligible to receive such 35 36 rebate. Tenant-stockholders of dwelling units in a cooperative apartment corporation incorporated as a mutual company pursuant to article 37 38 two, four, five or eleven of the private housing finance law shall not 39 be entitled to the rebate authorized by this section. Such rebate shall 40 be paid by the commissioner of finance to eligible owners or tenant-41 stockholders in accordance with rules promulgated by the commissioner of 42 finance.

43 § 3. Subparagraph 1 of paragraph a of subdivision 2 of section 467-e 44 of the real property tax law, as added by section 1 of part V of chapter 45 60 of the laws of 2004, is amended to read as follows:

46 (1) the property must be a one, two [or], three, four, five or six
47 family residence or residential property held in the condominium or
48 cooperative form of ownership;

49 § 4. Paragraph c of subdivision 3 of section 467-e of the real proper-50 ty tax law, as added by section 1 of part V of chapter 60 of the laws of 51 2004, is amended to read as follows:

52 c. "Property" means a one, two [or], three, four, five or six family 53 residence or a dwelling unit in residential property held in the condo-54 minium or cooperative form of ownership.





1 § 5. Paragraph a of subdivision 4 of section 467-e of the real proper-2 ty tax law, as amended by chapter 483 of the laws of 2007, is amended to 3 read as follows:

a. Generally. Notwithstanding any provision of any general, special or 4 5 local law to the contrary, an application for a rebate pursuant to this 6 section for the fiscal year beginning the first of July, two thousand 7 [three] seventeen, shall be made no later than the date published by the 8 commissioner of finance in the city record and in other appropriate general notices pursuant to this subdivision, which date shall be no 9 earlier than thirty days after the effective date of this subdivision. 10 11 [An application for a rebate pursuant to this section for fiscal years 12 beginning on or after the first of July, two thousand four and ending on 13 the thirtieth of June, two thousand six, shall be made no later than the 14 fifteenth of March of the fiscal year for which the rebate is claimed. 15 An application for a rebate pursuant to this section for fiscal years 16 beginning on or after the first of July, two thousand six, shall be made 17 no later than the first of September following the fiscal year for which 18 the rebate is claimed.] All owners or tenant-stockholders of property 19 who primarily reside thereon must jointly file an application for the 20 rebate on or before the application deadline, unless such owners or 21 tenant-stockholders currently receive a real property tax exemption 22 pursuant to section four hundred twenty-five, four hundred fifty-eight, 23 four hundred fifty-eight-a, four hundred fifty-nine-c or four hundred sixty-seven of this title, in which case no separate application for a 24 25 rebate pursuant to this section shall be required. Such application may 26 be filed by mail if it is enclosed in a postpaid envelope properly 27 addressed to the commissioner of finance, deposited in a post office or 28 official depository under the exclusive care of the United States postal 29 service, and postmarked by the United States postal service on or before the application deadline. Each such application shall be made on a form 30 prescribed by the commissioner of finance, which shall require the 31 applicant to agree to notify the commissioner of finance if his, her or 32 33 their primary residence changes after receiving the rebate pursuant to this section, or after filing an application for such rebate, if his, 34 her or their primary residence changes after filing such application, 35 36 but before receiving such rebate. The commissioner of finance may 37 request that proof of primary residence be submitted with the applica-38 tion. No rebate pursuant to this section shall be granted unless the 39 applicant, if required to do so by this subdivision, files an applica-40 tion within the time [periods] period prescribed in this subdivision. 41 § 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

3