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Overview

Requires the property tax statement to include a notice printed on the front side of the statement about the special property tax refund program ("targeting"). Effective for statements prepared in 2008 and thereafter.

Section

Property tax statement. Requires counties to include on the front side of the property tax statement a notice about the special property tax refund program (also known as "targeting"). The notice must state that if a taxpayer's property taxes for the current year have increased over the previous year by more than the threshold percentage, the taxpayer may be eligible for a refund, regardless of the taxpayer's income.

Under current law homeowners whose taxes increase by at least 12 percent and at least \$100 from the current year over the previous year (exclusive of increases due to improvements) are eligible for a refund equal to 60 percent of the increase in excess of 12 percent, up to a maximum of \$1,000.

Effective for property tax statements prepared for property taxes payable in 2008 and thereafter.