

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 9, 1986

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 23, 1931 (P.L.932, No.317), entitled
2 "An act relating to cities of the third class; and amending,
3 revising, and consolidating the law relating thereto,"
4 further providing for sales of personal property.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 1917 of the act of June 23, 1931
8 (P.L.932, No.317), known as The Third Class City Code, reenacted
9 and amended June 28, 1951 (P.L.662, No.164) and amended July 30,
10 1963 (P.L.369, No.197), is amended to read:

11 Section 1917. Sales of Personal Property.--No city personal
12 property shall be disposed of by sale or otherwise except upon
13 approval of council by ordinance or resolution. In cases where
14 council shall approve a sale of city personal property, it shall
15 estimate the sale value of the entire lot to be disposed of. If
16 council shall estimate such sale value to be less than two
17 hundred dollars, it shall require a notice of the proposed sale
18 to be posted for at least ten days on the bulletin board in the

1 city hall, describing and itemizing the property to be sold and
2 directing that bids may be made thereon at the office of the
3 city clerk. Thereafter, council may sell such property, in whole
4 or in part, for the best price or prices obtainable. If council
5 shall estimate the sale value to be two hundred dollars or more,
6 the entire lot shall be advertised for sale once in at least one
7 newspaper, in accordance with the provisions of section one
8 hundred nine of this act, and sale of the property so advertised
9 shall be made to the best responsible bidder; and the bids shall
10 not be opened until at least ten days after the said
11 advertisement. Council may sell any such property at auction,
12 but the provisions as to notice contained in this section shall
13 be likewise observed as to the holding of such auction sales.
14 The provisions of this section shall not be mandatory where city
15 personal property is to be traded-in or exchanged for new city
16 personal property. The provisions of this section requiring
17 advertising for bids AND SALE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER shall not <—
18 apply where city personal property is to be sold to a political
19 subdivision, school district, municipal authority, housing
20 authority, redevelopment authority, parking authority,
21 industrial development authority, nonprofit corporation engaged
22 in economic or industrial development, or a public library.

23 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.