

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 435 Session of 2009

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SENATOR EICHELBERGER, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AS AMENDED, DECEMBER 16, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act relating to counties of the first, third,
3 fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending,
4 revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating
5 thereto; relating to imposition of excise taxes by counties,
6 including authorizing imposition of an excise tax on the
7 rental of motor vehicles by counties of the first class; and
8 providing for regional renaissance initiatives," authorizing
9 the abolition of jury commissioners in certain counties of
10 the second class A.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 401 of the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.
14 323, No.130), known as The County Code, is amended by adding a
15 subsection to read:

16 Section 401. Enumeration of Elected Officers.--\* \* \*

17 ~~(d.1) The office of jury commissioner may be abolished at~~
18 ~~the option of each county which on the effective date of this~~
19 ~~subsection is a county of the second class A having a population~~
20 ~~under the 2000 Federal decennial census in excess of 595,000~~
21 ~~residents, but less than 625,000 residents, whenever the~~



1 ~~governing body of the county adopts, by a majority vote, a~~  
2 ~~resolution abolishing the office of jury commissioner. Upon~~  
3 ~~approval of the resolution the office of jury commissioner shall~~  
4 ~~expire at the completion of the current jury commissioners'~~  
5 ~~terms of office. The resolution shall not be passed in any year~~  
6 ~~in which the office of jury commissioners is on the ballot.~~

7 (F) AFTER REVIEW OF THE PROCEDURES IN EFFECT WITHIN THE ←  
8 COUNTY TO ENSURE THAT LISTS OF POTENTIAL JURORS ARE A  
9 REPRESENTATIVE CROSS SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY, THE GOVERNING  
10 BODY OF A COUNTY OF THE SECOND CLASS A HAVING A POPULATION UNDER  
11 THE 2000 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS IN EXCESS OF 595,000  
12 RESIDENTS, BUT LESS THAN 625,000 RESIDENTS, MAY ADOPT, BY A  
13 MAJORITY VOTE, A RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF JURY  
14 COMMISSIONER. UPON APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION, THE OFFICE OF  
15 JURY COMMISSIONER SHALL EXPIRE AT THE COMPLETION OF THE CURRENT  
16 JURY COMMISSIONERS' TERMS OF OFFICE. THE RESOLUTION SHALL NOT BE  
17 PASSED IN ANY YEAR IN WHICH THE OFFICE OF JURY COMMISSIONER IS  
18 ON THE BALLOT.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 30 days.