THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, JUNE 15, 1993

AN ACT

- Amending the act of February 1, 1974 (P.L.34, No.15), entitled 2 "An act creating a Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System 3 for the payment of retirement allowances to officers, 4 employes, firemen and police of political subdivisions and municipal authorities and of institutions supported and 5 maintained by political subdivisions and municipal government 6 7 associations and providing for the administration of the same 8 by a board composed of the State Treasurer and others appointed by the Governor; imposing certain duties on the 9 10 Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Board and the actuary 11 thereof; providing the procedure whereby political 12 subdivisions and municipal authorities may join such system, 13 and imposing certain liabilities and obligations on such 14 political subdivisions and municipal authorities in 15 connection therewith, and as to certain existing retirement 16 and pension systems, and upon officers, employes, firemen and 17 police of such political subdivisions, institutions supported 18 and maintained by political subdivisions, and upon municipal 19 authorities; providing for the continuation of certain 20 municipal retirement systems now administered by the 21 Commonwealth; providing certain exemptions from taxation, 22 execution, attachment, levy and sale and providing for the repeal of certain related acts," further providing for divestiture of investments with corporations doing business 23 24 25 in South Africa and Namibia.
- 26 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 27 hereby enacts as follows:
- Section 1. Section 110 of the act of February 1, 1974

- 1 (P.L.34, No.15), known as the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement
- 2 Law, amended May 17, 1980 (P.L.135, No.50), is amended to read:
- 3 Section 110. Management and Investment of Fund; Interest
- 4 Credits. -- (a) The members of the board shall be trustees of the
- 5 fund, and shall have the exclusive management of said fund, with
- 6 full power to invest the moneys therein, subject to the terms,
- 7 conditions, limitations and restrictions imposed by law upon
- 8 fiduciaries. The said trustees shall have power to hold,
- 9 purchase, sell, assign, transfer and dispose of any securities
- 10 and investments in said fund, as well as the proceeds of such
- 11 investments, and of the money belonging to such fund.
- 12 (b) The board shall annually allow regular interest to the
- 13 credit on each contributor's account, municipal account, the
- 14 retired members reserve account and the total disability reserve
- 15 account. In addition, the board shall, after paying expenses,
- 16 annually allow such excess interest as each municipality deems
- 17 appropriate to the credit of the municipal accounts, member's
- 18 accounts, the member's excess investment accounts, retired
- 19 members reserve accounts and total disability reserve accounts.
- 20 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act to the
- 21 contrary, the trustees shall sell, transfer, dispose of and
- 22 otherwise divest themselves of any security or investment in
- 23 corporations or other businesses that have an involvement with
- 24 or do business with the African Countries of the Republic of
- 25 South Africa and Namibia.
- 26 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.