

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE BILL

## No. 968

Session of  
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CAWLEY, B. SMITH, GRUPPO, TRELLO AND PRATT, APRIL 17, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 17, 1985

### AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), entitled  
2 "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth,  
3 sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising,  
4 consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto,"  
5 further regulating flags placed on graves.

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

8 Section 1. Section 1922 of the act of August 9, 1955  
9 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, is amended to read:

10 Section 1922. Flags to Decorate Graves.--(a) It shall be  
11 the duty of the county commissioners to provide flags on each  
12 Memorial Day with which to decorate the graves of all deceased  
13 service persons buried within the county. The flags to be used  
14 for such purposes shall be of one standard size, colorfast and  
15 American-made, and shall be purchased at the expense of the  
16 county from moneys in the county treasury.

17 (b) Such flags shall be furnished to the various veterans'  
18 organizations in such numbers as they shall require for their

1   respective communities.

2       (c)   The moneys expended by any county under the provisions  
3   of this section shall be in addition to moneys appropriated by  
4   counties for Memorial Day purposes.

5       (d)   The authorities in charge of any cemetery are authorized  
6   to remove such flags when the same become unsightly or  
7   weatherworn at any time not less than ninety days after the  
8   flags have been placed on graves.

9       (e)   Any authority or person in charge of any cemetery, who  
10   shall remove or cause the removal of such flags prior to the  
11   expiration of ninety days after the flags have been placed on  
12   graves, shall be guilty of a summary offense and upon conviction  
13   thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not to exceed three  
14   hundred dollars (\$300), and upon failure to pay such fine, to  
15   undergo imprisonment not to exceed ninety days.

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