

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY STUBAN, LESCOVITZ, FOSTER AND NAHILL,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, NOVEMBER 29, 1989

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of February 1, 1966 (1965 P.L.1656, No.581),
2 entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending
3 and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," further
4 providing for certain reimbursement.

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

7 Section 1. Sections 701 and 702 of the act of February 1,
8 1966 (1965 P.L.1656, No.581), known as The Borough Code, amended
9 January 28, 1988 (P.L.21, No.10), are amended to read:

10 Section 701. State Association of Boroughs.--(a) The
11 boroughs of the Commonwealth are authorized to organize a State
12 Association of Boroughs for the purpose of advancing the
13 interests of the boroughs. Any borough may join the said
14 association by motion of council and payment of the annual dues.
15 Council may designate one or more delegates from the elected or
16 appointed officials of the borough to attend the annual meeting
17 of the association, which shall be held in the Commonwealth in
18 accordance with the procedure adopted by the association. In
19 addition to any compensation allowed by law for each delegate,

1 the borough may, for each delegate, pay expenses which shall be
2 limited to the registration fee, mileage for use of personal
3 vehicle or reimbursement of actual transportation expense going
4 to and returning from such meeting plus all other actual
5 expenses that the council may have agreed to pay. Every delegate
6 attending the annual meeting shall submit to the council an
7 itemized account of expenses incurred thereat. The council may
8 authorize borough employees to be compensated at their regular
9 employee rate during their attendance at the annual meeting. The
10 borough council solely may authorize council members who are not
11 employed by the borough to receive reimbursement for lost wages
12 or salary while attending the annual meeting. However,
13 sufficient documentation of such wages or salary must be
14 provided to the borough council to justify said reimbursement.
15 The time spent in attending said meeting shall not be more than
16 four days, including the time employed in traveling thereto and
17 therefrom. Each borough, becoming a member of the association,
18 shall pay such reasonable dues as may be fixed by the
19 association.

20 (b) The dues and other revenues received by the association
21 shall be used to pay for services, publications and other
22 expenses authorized or ratified by the association, or incurred
23 in behalf of the association, by its officers and committees.

24 Section 702. County and Regional Associations of Boroughs.--
25 The boroughs of any county or of two or more adjoining or nearby
26 counties, may organize a county or regional association of
27 boroughs, composed of elected and appointed borough officials in
28 such county or counties, organized for the purpose of furthering
29 the interests of the boroughs in the association and their
30 inhabitants. Any borough may annually appropriate a sum of

1 money, not exceeding seventy-five dollars (\$75) for the support
2 of such association. For attendance at a meeting of the county
3 or regional association of which such borough is a member, the
4 borough may, for each delegate, pay expenses which shall be
5 limited to the registration fee, mileage for use of personal
6 vehicle or reimbursement of actual transportation expense going
7 to and returning from such meeting plus all other actual
8 expenses that the council may have agreed to pay. Every delegate
9 attending the annual meeting shall submit to the council an
10 itemized account of expenses incurred thereat. The council may
11 authorize borough employees to be compensated at their regular
12 employee rate during their attendance at the annual meeting. The
13 borough council solely may authorize council members who are not
14 employed by the borough to receive reimbursement for lost wages
15 or salary while attending the annual meeting. However,
16 sufficient documentation of such wages or salary must be
17 provided to the borough council to justify said reimbursement.
18 Any such county or regional association of boroughs shall have
19 the option of admitting to membership representatives of
20 political subdivisions other than boroughs within such county or
21 counties but representatives of such other political
22 subdivisions shall have no voice or vote in any matter that is
23 or may be of concern solely to boroughs.

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