## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 794

Session of 1991

INTRODUCED BY HAYDEN, O'DONNELL, CIVERA, BELARDI, JAMES, McNALLY, PRESTON, HARPER, HARLEY AND BILLOW, MARCH 18, 1991

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JULY 1, 1991

## AN ACT

Amending the act of November 30, 1967 (P.L.658, No.305), 2 entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing municipal 3 corporations to designate business improvement districts, 4 create bonded or other evidences of indebtedness to acquire and finance business administrative services and business 6 improvements in such districts, and assess and collect 7 special assessments from certain benefited properties in such 8 districts, " authorizing cities of the first class to finance 9 services within business improvement districts. AMENDING THE ACT OF NOVEMBER 30, 1967 (P.L.658, NO.305), 10 ENTITLED, AS AMENDED, "AN ACT AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL 11 12 CORPORATIONS TO DESIGNATE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS, 13 CREATE BONDED OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO ACQUIRE AND FINANCE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND BUSINESS 14 15 IMPROVEMENTS IN SUCH DISTRICTS, AND ASSESS AND COLLECT 16 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FROM CERTAIN BENEFITED PROPERTIES IN SUCH 17 DISTRICTS, " AUTHORIZING CITIES TO FINANCE SERVICES WITHIN 18 BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS; AND MAKING REPEALS. 19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 20 hereby enacts as follows: 21 Section 1. Sections 2.1 and 4(f) of the act of November 30, 22 1967 (P.L.658, No.305), known as the Business Improvement 23 District Act of 1967, amended or added December 20, 1989 (P.L.648, No.78), are amended to read:

- 1 Section 2.1. Administrative Services Provided by Cities of
- 2 the First or Second Class. In addition to the powers of the
- 3 governing body established in section 2 or in any other section
- 4 of this act, cities of the first or second class shall have the
- 5 power to provide administrative services, that is, those
- 6 services which improve the ability of the commercial
- 7 establishments of the district to serve the consumer, including,
- 8 but not limited to, free or reduced fee parking for customers,
- 9 transportation repayments, public relations programs, group
- 10 advertising, and district maintenance and security services.
- 11 Section 4. Method of Assessment. \* \* \*
- 12 (f) Any reference in this act to services shall mean only
- 13 those services provided by a city of the <u>first or</u> second class.

<--

- 14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.
- 15 SECTION 1. SECTION 2 OF THE ACT OF NOVEMBER 30, 1967
- 16 (P.L.658, NO.305), KNOWN AS THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
- 17 ACT OF 1967, IS AMENDED BY ADDING A PARAGRAPH TO READ:
- 18 SECTION 2. POWERS OF GOVERNING BODY. -- THE GOVERNING BODY OF
- 19 EVERY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SHALL HAVE THE POWER:
- 20 \* \* \*
- 21 (6) TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, THAT IS, THOSE
- 22 SERVICES WHICH IMPROVE THE ABILITY OF THE COMMERCIAL
- 23 ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE DISTRICT TO SERVE THE CONSUMER, INCLUDING,
- 24 BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FREE OR REDUCED FEE PARKING FOR CUSTOMERS,
- 25 TRANSPORTATION REPAYMENTS, PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAMS, GROUP
- 26 ADVERTISING AND DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY SERVICES.
- 27 SECTION 2. SECTIONS 2.1 AND 4(F) OF THE ACT ARE REPEALED.
- 28 SECTION 3. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN 60 DAYS.