

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 681 Session of
2003

INTRODUCED BY GRUITZA, BOYES, CORNELL, HARHAI, LAUGHLIN, LEH,
LEWIS, LYNCH, T. STEVENSON, BEBKO-JONES, DALEY, EACHUS,
PHILLIPS, YOUNGBLOOD, CREIGHTON, HORSEY, JAMES, SOLOBAY,
DERMODY, GERGELY, TIGUE AND BENNINGHOFF, MARCH 5, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 5, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), entitled, as
2 reenacted and amended, "An act concerning townships of the
3 second class; and amending, revising, consolidating and
4 changing the law relating thereto," further providing for
5 acquisition of lands and buildings.

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

8 Section 1. Section 2201 of the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103,
9 No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, reenacted and
10 amended November 9, 1995 (P.L.350, No.60), is amended to read:

11 Section 2201. Acquisition of Lands and Buildings.--The board
12 of supervisors may designate lands or buildings owned, leased or
13 controlled by the township for use as parks, playgrounds,
14 playfields, gymnasiums, swimming pools, indoor recreation
15 centers, public parks and other recreation areas and facilities
16 and acquire lands or buildings by lease, gift, devise, purchase
17 or by the exercise of the right of eminent domain for
18 recreational purposes and construct and equip facilities for

1 recreational purposes. The right to acquire lands or buildings
2 for recreational purposes through eminent domain shall exist
3 only to acquire property reserved for future taking as shown on
4 an official map of the township adopted pursuant to Article IV
5 of the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the
6 "Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code," which official map
7 shows elements of the township comprehensive plan, if any,
8 adopted pursuant to Article III of the "Pennsylvania
9 Municipalities Planning Code," and which elements are generally
10 consistent with the county comprehensive plan.

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