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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for purposes and
3 powers and for management of authority funds in cities of the
4 first class.

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

7 Section 1. Section 5505 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
9 § 5505. Purposes and powers.

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11 (f) Mission statement.--An authority shall prepare and
12 maintain a detailed statement setting forth the mission of the
13 authority.

14 Section 2. Section 5510.1(e) of Title 53 is amended to read:
15 § 5510.1. Management of authority funds in cities of the first
16 class.

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18 (e) Audit.--An authority shall have at least an annual

1 examination of its books, accounts and records by a certified
2 public accountant appointed by the Auditor General. A copy of
3 the audit shall be delivered to the parent municipality, the
4 Governor, the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the
5 House of Representatives. The controller, auditor or accountant
6 [designated by the municipality] is authorized to perform an
7 annual examination of the receipts, disbursements, contracts,
8 leases, sinking funds, investments relating to the
9 administration of a system of on-street parking regulations in a
10 city of the first class pursuant to section 5508.1(q.1)
11 (relating to special provisions for authorities in cities of the
12 first class). The audit shall include a forensic audit to review
13 practices of the authority relating to its criteria for
14 ticketing and the determination of parking sign language and
15 sittings. The forensic audit shall include a comparison of
16 practices from at least two comparable cities. The results of
17 the audit shall be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin and in
18 a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality where the
19 principal office of the authority is located.

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21 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.