SENATE BILL
No. 333 Session of 2015

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SENATOR HUTCHINSON, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AS AMENDED, MARCH 3, 2015

AN ACT

Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, IN PREEMPTIONS, providing for leave and compensation mandates.

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

Section 1. Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

§ 305. Leave and compensation mandates.

(a) General rule.--A municipality may not:

(1) enact or administer a mandate requiring an employer to provide an employee or class of employees with vacation or other forms of leave from employment, paid or unpaid, that is not required by Federal or State law; or

(2) require an employer to compensate an employee for any vacation or other forms of leave for which Federal or State law does not require the employee to be compensated.

(b) Inconsistent mandate.--This section may not be construed
to invalidate a mandate enacted by a municipality prior to the effective date of this section JANUARY 1, 2015. A mandate enacted by a municipality that is inconsistent with this section and enacted after the effective date of this section JANUARY 1, 2015, is void.

(c) Applicability.--This section shall not apply to a mandate enacted by a municipality affecting vacation or other forms of leave for an employee or class of employees of the municipality itself.

(d) Construction.--The provisions of this section may not be construed to establish a new mandate relating to compensation, vacation or other forms of leave from employment by a municipality.

(e) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:


"Employer." As defined in section 3 of The Minimum Wage Act of 1968.

"Municipality." A county, city, borough, incorporated town, township, home rule charter, optional charter or optional plan municipality, school district or a similar general purpose unit of government that may be created by the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. THE ADDITION OF 53 PA.C.S. § 305 SHALL APPLY RETROACTIVELY TO JANUARY 1, 2015.

Section 2 3. This act shall take effect immediately.