

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY NOLAN, NOSZKA, ROMANELLI, SCANLON AND ZEMPRELLI,
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REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 4, 1977

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class
3 and second class A; amending revising, consolidating and
4 changing the laws relating thereto," permitting advertisement
5 of the titles and summarizations in lieu of the entire text
6 of proposed ordinances.

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

9 Section 1. Section 508, act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723,
10 No.230), known as the "Second Class County Code," amended July
11 10, 1957 (P.L.669, No.353), is amended to read:

12 Section 508. Ordinances and Resolutions.--(a) The board of
13 commissioners may adopt resolutions and ordinances prescribing
14 the manner in which powers of the county shall be carried out
15 and generally regulating the affairs of the county.

16 (b) The board of county commissioners may formulate and
17 adopt ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations, pertaining
18 to the use of any property owned or used by the county and the
19 conduct of persons in, on or about such county property, in
20 order to preserve such property and to promote and preserve the

1 public health, safety and welfare. The rules and regulations
2 shall be published, promulgated and become effective in the same
3 manner as other resolutions and ordinances of the county.

4 (c) All such ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations
5 unless otherwise provided by law, shall be published at least
6 once in one newspaper of general circulation in the county.

7 Public notices of any proposed ordinance shall include either
8 the full text thereof or the title and a brief summary prepared
9 by the county solicitor setting forth all the provisions in
10 reasonable detail and a reference to a place within the county
11 where copies of the proposed ordinance may be examined. If the
12 full text is not included a copy thereof shall be supplied to a
13 newspaper of general circulation in the county at the time the
14 public notice is published. Such ordinances, resolutions, rules
15 and regulations shall not become effective until ten days after
16 the publication aforesaid. In lieu of publishing the ordinances,
17 resolutions, rules or regulations in their entirety, the county
18 commissioners may publish the title or a summary thereof and the
19 place where such ordinances, resolutions, rules or regulations,
20 together with such maps, plans or drawings which may be part
21 thereof, are on file and may be examined.

22 (d) Any person violating any of the ordinances, resolutions,
23 rules and regulations, formulated and adopted by the board of
24 county commissioners pursuant to this section, shall, upon
25 conviction thereof at a summary proceeding, be sentenced to pay
26 such fine as may be prescribed in such ordinances, resolutions,
27 rules and regulations by the county commissioners but not in
28 excess of one hundred dollars (\$100), to be paid to the use of
29 the county, with costs of prosecution, or to be imprisoned in
30 the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

1 The board of county commissioners may also prescribe fines
2 and penalties, not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500), for
3 the violation of county ordinances, which fines and penalties
4 may be collected by suit brought in the name of the county in
5 like manner as debts of like amount may be sued for.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.