

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 200

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JULY 3, 1979

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955, No.265), entitled, as
2 amended, "An act to promote public health, safety, morals,
3 and welfare by declaring the necessity of creating public
4 bodies, corporate and politic, to be known as housing
5 authorities to engage in slum clearance, and to undertake
6 projects, to provide dwelling accommodations for persons of
7 low income; providing for the organization of such housing
8 authorities; defining their powers and duties; providing for
9 the exercise of such powers, including the acquisition of
10 property by purchase, gift or eminent domain, the renting and
11 selling of property, and including borrowing money, issuing
12 bonds, and other obligations, and giving security therefor;
13 prescribing the remedies of obligees of housing authorities;
14 authorizing housing authorities to enter into agreements,
15 including agreements with the United States, the
16 Commonwealth, and political subdivisions and municipalities
17 thereof; defining the application of zoning, sanitary, and
18 building laws and regulations to projects built or maintained
19 by such housing authorities; exempting the property and
20 securities of such housing authorities from taxation; and
21 imposing duties and conferring powers upon the State Planning
22 Board, and certain other State officers and departments,"
23 providing certain additional powers to housing authorities in
24 cities of the first class.

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

27 Section 1. Section 10, act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955,
28 No.265), known as the "Housing Authorities Law," is amended by
29 adding a clause to read:

1 Section 10. Powers of an Authority.--An Authority shall
2 constitute a public body, corporate and politic, exercising
3 public powers of the Commonwealth as an agency thereof, which
4 powers shall include all powers necessary or appropriate to
5 carry out and effectuate the purpose and provisions of this act,
6 including the following powers, in addition to others herein
7 granted:

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9 (ff) In the city of the first class, to appoint police
10 officers who shall have the same rights, powers and duties as
11 other police officers in the Commonwealth in and upon, and in
12 the immediate and adjacent vicinity of the grounds and buildings
13 of the authority and when ~~necessary elsewhere~~ IN INSTANCES OF <—
14 HOT PURSUIT within the boundaries of the city of the first class
15 and who shall be authorized to arrest persons for the commission
16 of any offense and the keepers of the jails and other places of
17 detention in the city of the first class shall receive all
18 persons arrested by such police officers for purposes of
19 detention until they are dealt with according to law.

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