

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL**No. 713** Session of
1989

INTRODUCED BY STUBAN, GAMBLE, LESCOVITZ, FOSTER, NAHILL AND
NAILOR, MARCH 13, 1989

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 30, 1990

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), entitled
2 "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending,
3 revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating
4 thereto," further providing for complaints when officers fail
5 or neglect to perform their duties; AND MAKING AN EDITORIAL ←
6 CHANGE.

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

9 Section 1. Section 604 of the act of June 24, 1931
10 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code,
11 reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P.L.1955, No.569), is
12 amended to read:

13 Section 604. Failure of Officer to Perform Duties.--If any
14 township officer refuses or neglects to perform his duties, the
15 court of [quarter sessions] COMMON PLEAS, upon complaint in ←
16 writing by [one hundred citizens, owners of real estate residing
17 in] five per centum of the registered electors of the township,
18 may issue a rule upon such officer to show cause why his office
19 should not be declared vacant and another appointed in his

1 stead. Such rule shall be made returnable not less than two
2 weeks from its date of issue. Upon hearing and proof that the
3 facts alleged in the complaint are true, the court may declare
4 the office vacant and appoint another in his stead, to hold
5 office for the unexpired term.

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