## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 2029 Session of 1991

INTRODUCED BY GLADECK, FOX, REBER, GERLACH, HECKLER, LAWLESS, TRELLO, DeLUCA, FREEMAN, PICCOLA AND SAURMAN, OCTOBER 21, 1991

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 21, 1991

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), entitled "An
- act concerning townships of the second class; and amending,
- 3 revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating
- 4 thereto, "providing for the acquisition of property for parks
- 5 and recreation areas by right of eminent domain.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 1901 of the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103,
- 9 No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, reenacted and
- 10 amended July 10, 1947 (P.L.1481, No.567) and amended July 2,
- 11 1953 (P.L.354, No.83), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 1901. Acquisition of Lands and Buildings. -- The
- 13 supervisors of any township may by ordinance separately or
- 14 jointly designate and set apart for use as parks, playgrounds,
- 15 playfields, gymnasiums, public baths, swimming pools, or indoor
- 16 recreation centers, hereinafter called public parks, recreation
- 17 areas and facilities, any lands or buildings, owned by such
- 18 township, and not dedicated or devoted to other public use. Such
- 19 township [may, in such manner as may be authorized or provided

- 1 by law for the acquisition of lands or buildings for public
- 2 purposes in such township, acquire lands or buildings therein
- 3 for any of such purposes or construct and equip new facilities
- 4 upon such lands or, if there be no law authorizing such
- 5 acquisition, the township supervisors] may acquire lands or
- 6 buildings for such purposes by gift or purchase or by the
- 7 <u>exercise of the right of eminent domain</u>, or may lease lands or
- 8 buildings in such township for temporary use for such purposes.
- 9 Whenever the supervisors designate or acquire any lands, with or
- 10 without buildings, under the provisions of this section, except
- 11 when the acquisition is under a lease for temporary use, they
- 12 may construct buildings and facilities thereon for the purposes
- 13 herein indicated.
- 14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.