THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 346

Session of 1999

INTRODUCED BY MAITLAND, BELARDI AND SEYFERT, FEBRUARY 8, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 8, 1999

AN ACT

- Amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), entitled, 2 as amended, "An act to empower cities of the second class A, 3 and third class, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships of the first and second classes including those within a county 5 of the second class and counties of the second through eighth classes, individually or jointly, to plan their development 7 and to govern the same by zoning, subdivision and land development ordinances, planned residential development and 8 9 other ordinances, by official maps, by the reservation of 10 certain land for future public purpose and by the acquisition of such land; to promote the conservation of energy through 11 the use of planning practices and to promote the effective 12 13 utilization of renewable energy sources; providing for the 14 establishment of planning commissions, planning departments, 15 planning committees and zoning hearing boards, authorizing them to charge fees, make inspections and hold public 16 17 hearings; providing for mediation; providing for transferable 18 development rights; providing for appropriations, appeals to 19 courts and penalties for violations; and repealing acts and 20 parts of acts," further providing for planning commission 21 members.
- The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 23 hereby enacts as follows:
- 24 Section 1. Section 202 of the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805,
- 25 No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code,
- 26 reenacted and amended December 21, 1988 (P.L.1329, No.170), is
- 27 amended to read:

- 1 Section 202. Planning Commission. -- If the governing body of
- 2 any municipality shall elect to create a planning commission,
- 3 such commission shall have not less than three nor more than
- 4 nine members. [All members] Members of the commission [shall
- 5 serve without] <u>may receive</u> compensation, [but] <u>and</u> may be
- 6 reimbursed for necessary and reasonable expenses. However,
- 7 elected or appointed officers or employees of the municipality
- 8 shall not, by reason of membership thereon, forfeit the right to
- 9 exercise the powers, perform the duties or receive the
- 10 compensations of the municipal offices held by them during such
- 11 membership.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.