

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 545 Session of
2003

INTRODUCED BY THOMPSON, HELFRICK, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, M. WHITE,
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APRIL 4, 2003

REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 4, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of January 19, 1968 (1967 P.L.992, No.442),
2 entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing the Commonwealth of
3 Pennsylvania and the local government units thereof to
4 preserve, acquire or hold land for open space uses," further
5 defining "local government unit" to include municipal
6 authorities.

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

9 Section 1. Section 2(5) of the act of January 19, 1968 (1967
10 P.L.992, No.442), entitled "An act authorizing the Commonwealth
11 of Pennsylvania and the local government units thereof to
12 preserve, acquire or hold land for open space uses," amended
13 December 18, 1996 (P.L.994, No.153), is amended to read:

14 Section 2. Definitions.--For the purpose of this act the
15 following definitions shall apply:

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17 (5) "Local government unit."

18 (i) A county;

19 (ii) a county authority having among the purposes for which

1 it was created the achievement of one or more of the open space
2 benefits set forth in this section;

3 (iii) a municipal authority or municipal corporation as
4 defined in 1 Pa.C.S. § 1991 (relating to definitions) or any
5 similar general purpose unit of local government, except an
6 authority established by a school district or school districts;
7 or

8 (iv) any unit created by joint action of two or more local
9 government units which is now or shall hereafter be authorized
10 to be created by the General Assembly, including cooperation by
11 two or more local government units in accordance with the act of
12 July 12, 1972 (P.L.762, No.180), referred to as the
13 Intergovernmental Cooperation Law.

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