## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

2477 Session of 2010

INTRODUCED BY FABRIZIO, J. EVANS, HARKINS, HORNAMAN AND SONNEY, APRIL 29, 2010

SENATOR EICHELBERGER, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, OCTOBER 12, 2010

## AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to counties of the first, third, 2 fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; relating to imposition of excise taxes by counties, including authorizing imposition of an excise tax on the rental of motor vehicles by counties of the first class; and providing for regional renaissance initiatives," further providing FOR APPLICABILITY, FOR ENUMERATION OF ELECTED OFFICERS AND FOR OFFICIAL RECORDS OF CORONER; ADDING 10 PROVISIONS FOR REQUIRED FISCAL SECURITY THROUGH BONDING, 11 BLANKET BONDING AND INSURING OF ELECTED AND APPOINTED COUNTY 12 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR DETERMINING THE FORM, 13 AMOUNT AND PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS FOR AND THE FILING AND RECORDING OF THE REQUIRED SECURITY, FOR THE SUBSEQUENT 15 ISSUANCE OF OFFICIAL COMMISSIONS; FURTHER PROVIDING for the 16 governing board of the convention center authority; AND 17 MAKING RELATED REPEALS. 18 19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 20 hereby enacts as follows: 21 Section 1. Section 2399.61 of the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, added October 18, 23 2000 (P.L.541, No.73), is amended to read: 24 SECTION 1. THE TITLE OF THE ACT OF AUGUST 9, 1955 (P.L.323, NO.130), KNOWN AS THE COUNTY CODE, AMENDED JUNE 25, 1999

- 1 (P.L.182, NO.25), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 2 AN ACT
- 3 RELATING TO COUNTIES OF THE FIRST, THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH, SIXTH,
- 4 SEVENTH AND EIGHTH CLASSES; AMENDING, REVISING, CONSOLIDATING
- 5 AND CHANGING THE LAWS RELATING THERETO; PROVIDING FOR
- 6 FINANCIAL SECURITY FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN COUNTIES
- 7 OTHER THAN FIRST CLASS COUNTIES; RELATING TO IMPOSITION OF
- 8 EXCISE TAXES BY COUNTIES, INCLUDING AUTHORIZING IMPOSITION OF
- 9 AN EXCISE TAX ON THE RENTAL OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY COUNTIES OF
- 10 THE FIRST CLASS; AND PROVIDING FOR REGIONAL RENAISSANCE
- 11 INITIATIVES.
- 12 SECTION 2. SECTION 102 OF THE ACT, AMENDED JULY 14, 2005
- 13 (P.L.312, NO.57), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 14 SECTION 102. APPLICABILITY. -- (A) EXCEPT INCIDENTALLY, AS IN
- 15 SECTIONS 108, 201, 210, 211, 401 AND 1401 OR AS PROVIDED IN
- 16 [ARTICLE] ARTICLES XV.2 AND XXX, THIS ACT DOES NOT APPLY TO
- 17 COUNTIES OF THE FIRST, SECOND A, OR SECOND CLASSES.
- 18 (B) EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY LIMITED, THIS ACT
- 19 APPLIES TO ALL COUNTIES OF THE THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH, SIXTH,
- 20 SEVENTH AND EIGHTH CLASSES.
- 21 SECTION 3. SECTION 401 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A
- 22 SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 23 SECTION 401. ENUMERATION OF ELECTED OFFICERS.--\* \* \*
- 24 (F) THE OFFICE OF JURY COMMISSIONER MAY BE ABOLISHED IN A
- 25 COUNTY OF THE SECOND CLASS, SECOND CLASS A OR THIRD THROUGH
- 26 EIGHTH CLASS IF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY ADOPTS, BY A
- 27 MAJORITY VOTE, A RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF JURY
- 28 COMMISSIONER. UPON APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION, THE OFFICE OF
- 29 JURY COMMISSIONER SHALL EXPIRE AT THE COMPLETION OF THE CURRENT
- 30 JURY COMMISSIONERS' TERMS OF OFFICE. THE RESOLUTION SHALL NOT BE

- 1 PASSED IN ANY YEAR IN WHICH THE OFFICE OF JURY COMMISSIONER IS
- 2 ON THE BALLOT.
- 3 SECTION 4. SUBDIVISION (B) OF ARTICLE IV AND SECTIONS 802,
- 4 803 AND 804 OF THE ACT ARE REPEALED:
- 5 [(B) OFFICIAL BONDS
- 6 SECTION 420. OFFICIAL BONDS; REQUIREMENTS. -- EACH OF THE
- 7 FOLLOWING OFFICERS, BEFORE ENTERING UPON HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES,
- 8 WHETHER HE IS ELECTED, APPOINTED OR APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY,
- 9 SHALL GIVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE A BOND TO THE COUNTY:
- 10 (1) EACH COUNTY COMMISSIONER;
- 11 (2) THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS;
- 12 (3) THE CONTROLLER;
- 13 (4) THE COUNTY TREASURER;
- 14 (5) THE PROTHONOTARY;
- 15 (6) THE SHERIFF;
- 16 (7) THE CORONER;
- 17 (8) THE CLERK OF COURTS;
- 18 (9) THE CLERK OF THE ORPHANS' COURT; AND
- 19 (10) THE RECORDER OF DEEDS.
- 20 EVERY SUCH OFFICIAL BOND SHALL BE, JOINT AND SEVERAL, WITH
- 21 ONE OR MORE CORPORATE SURETIES WHICH SHALL BE SURETY COMPANIES
- 22 AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS COMMONWEALTH AND DULY LICENSED
- 23 BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMONWEALTH. COUNTIES MAY
- 24 PURCHASE INSURANCE FOR THEIR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS IN
- 25 LIEU OF FIDELITY BONDS PROVIDED THAT THE INSURANCE POLICY COVERS
- 26 THE SAME EVENTS OF LOSS AND INSURES THE COUNTY AGAINST THE SAME
- 27 MISCONDUCT AS A FIDELITY BOND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.
- 28 SECTION 421. GENERAL CONDITIONS; COMMISSIONERS; TREASURER.--
- 29 (A) EACH OFFICIAL BOND SHALL BE CONDITIONED UPON THE FAITHFUL
- 30 DISCHARGE BY THE COUNTY OFFICER, HIS DEPUTIES, CLERKS,

- 1 ASSISTANTS AND APPOINTEES OF ALL TRUSTS CONFIDED IN HIM BY
- 2 VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE, UPON THE FAITHFUL EXECUTION OF ALL DUTIES
- 3 REQUIRED OF HIM BY VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE, UPON THE JUST AND
- 4 FAITHFUL ACCOUNTING OR PAYMENT OVER, ACCORDING TO LAW, OF ALL
- 5 MONEYS AND ALL BALANCES THEREOF PAID TO, RECEIVED OR HELD BY HIM
- 6 BY VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE AND UPON THE DELIVERY TO HIS SUCCESSOR
- 7 OR SUCCESSORS IN OFFICE OF ALL BOOKS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS OR OTHER
- 8 OFFICIAL THINGS HELD IN RIGHT OF HIS OFFICE.
- 9 (B) THE BONDS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE FURTHER
- 10 CONDITIONED UPON THE FAITHFUL AND LEGAL APPROPRIATION OF COUNTY
- 11 AND OTHER MONEYS IN THE COUNTY TREASURY, UPON CHECKS AND ORDERS
- 12 GIVEN BY THEM OR SUBJECT TO THEIR CONTROL.
- 13 (C) THE BOND OF THE COUNTY TREASURER SHALL BE FURTHER
- 14 CONDITIONED UPON A JUST ACCOUNT OF ALL MONEYS THAT MAY COME INTO
- 15 HIS HANDS ON BEHALF OF ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE
- 16 COUNTY OR ON BEHALF OF ANY PERSON, AND FOR THE PAYMENT TO HIS
- 17 SUCCESSOR OF ANY BALANCES OF SUCH MONEYS REMAINING IN HIS HANDS.
- 18 SECTION 422. OBLIGEES SUITS ON BONDS.--(A) EACH OFFICIAL
- 19 BOND SHALL BE TAKEN IN THE NAME OF THE COUNTY, AND SHALL BE FOR
- 20 THE USE OF THE COUNTY AND THE COMMONWEALTH AND FOR THE USE OF
- 21 SUCH OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS FOR WHOM MONEY SHALL BE COLLECTED
- 22 OR RECEIVED, OR AS HIS OR HER INTEREST SHALL OTHERWISE APPEAR,
- 23 IN CASE OF A BREACH OF ANY OF THE CONDITIONS THEREOF BY THE ACTS
- 24 OR NEGLECT OF THE PRINCIPAL ON THE BOND.
- 25 (B) THE COUNTY, THE COMMONWEALTH OR ANY OTHER PERSON MAY SUE
- 26 UPON THE SAID BOND IN ITS OR HIS OWN NAME FOR ITS OR HIS OWN
- 27 USE. ACTS OF ASSEMBLY PERTAINING TO ACTIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF
- 28 ACTIONS UPON OFFICIAL BONDS GIVEN TO THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL
- 29 APPLY TO THE BONDS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SUBDIVISION JUST AS IF
- 30 THEY WERE GIVEN TO THE COMMONWEALTH, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE

- 1 SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED HEREIN.
- 2 SECTION 423. APPROVAL, SUBSTITUTION OR ADDITION OF SURETY.--
- 3 (A) EACH OFFICIAL BOND SHALL CONTAIN THE NAME OR NAMES OF THE
- 4 SURETY COMPANY OR COMPANIES BOUND THEREON, AND SHALL BE SUBJECT
- 5 TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS WHICH COURT MAY
- 6 REQUIRE SUCH PROOFS AS TO IT APPEAR NECESSARY OR PROPER IN
- 7 CONNECTION WITH SUCH BONDS.
- 8 (B) THE COURT MAY, AT ANY TIME, UPON CAUSE SHOWN AND DUE
- 9 NOTICE TO THE COUNTY OFFICER AND HIS SURETY OR SURETIES, REQUIRE
- 10 OR ALLOW THE SUBSTITUTION OR THE ADDITION OF A SURETY COMPANY
- 11 ACCEPTABLE TO THE COURT FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE BOND
- 12 SUFFICIENT IN AMOUNT, AS REQUIRED BY LAW, WITHOUT RELEASING THE
- 13 SURETY OR SURETIES FIRST APPROVED FROM ANY ACCRUED LIABILITY OR
- 14 PREVIOUS ACTION ON SUCH BOND.
- 15 SECTION 424. SINGLE BOND FOR COMBINED OFFICES.--IN COUNTIES
- 16 WHEREIN ANY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED COUNTY OFFICES ARE COMBINED, A
- 17 SINGLE BOND COVERING ALL SUCH OFFICES SHALL SUFFICE FOR THE
- 18 OFFICER THEREOF, IF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS APPROVES.
- 19 SECTION 425. CUSTODIANS OF OFFICIAL BONDS.--THE COUNTY
- 20 CONTROLLER SHALL BE CUSTODIAN OF ALL OFFICIAL BONDS, EXCEPT THAT
- 21 OF HIS OWN OFFICE WHICH SHALL BE HELD BY THE COUNTY
- 22 COMMISSIONERS. IN COUNTIES NOT HAVING A CONTROLLER, THE
- 23 COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE CUSTODIAN OF ALL BONDS, EXCEPT THEIR OWN
- 24 AND THAT OF THEIR CHIEF CLERK, WHICH THE PROTHONOTARY SHALL
- 25 HOLD.
- 26 SECTION 426. ACKNOWLEDGMENT, EVIDENCE. -- OFFICIAL BONDS SHALL
- 27 BE ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE THE RECORDER OF DEEDS, EXCEPT THAT THE
- 28 LATTER OFFICER SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE HIS BOND BEFORE THE
- 29 PROTHONOTARY. A COPY OF ANY OFFICIAL BOND, CERTIFIED AS TRUE AND
- 30 CORRECT BY THE PROPER OFFICER CUSTODIAN THEREOF, SHALL BE

- 1 COMPETENT EVIDENCE THEREOF IN ANY JUDICIAL PROCEEDING.
- 2 SECTION 427. AMOUNTS OF OFFICIAL BONDS; EXCLUSIVE
- 3 PROVISIONS.--(A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED BY
- 4 LAW, THE AMOUNTS OF OFFICIAL BONDS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE
- 5 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.
- 6 (B) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED BY LAW, THIS
- 7 SUBDIVISION SHALL BE DEEMED TO CONTAIN THE EXCLUSIVE PROVISIONS
- 8 FOR OFFICIAL BONDS OF COUNTY OFFICERS.
- 9 (C) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL NOT APPLY TO
- 10 BONDS REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN TO THE COMMONWEALTH BY COUNTY
- 11 OFFICERS ACTING AS AGENTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 12 SECTION 428. PREMIUMS OF OFFICIAL BONDS.--THE PREMIUMS OF
- 13 ALL OFFICIAL BONDS, INCLUDING THE BOND OF THE REGISTER OF WILLS,
- 14 SHALL BE PAID BY THE COUNTY OUT OF THE COUNTY TREASURY.
- 15 SECTION 429. BONDS OF DEPUTIES AND OTHER APPOINTEES OF
- 16 COUNTY OFFICERS. -- THE DEPUTIES AND OTHER APPOINTEES IN EACH
- 17 COUNTY OFFICE, WHO ARE REQUIRED TO RECEIVE, ACCOUNT FOR, OR HOLD
- 18 ANY MONEY BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, SHALL GIVE
- 19 AND ACKNOWLEDGE A SINGLE BOND COVERING ALL SUCH DEPUTIES AND
- 20 APPOINTEES PAYABLE TO THE OFFICER IN WHOSE OFFICE THEY ARE
- 21 EMPLOYED.
- 22 EVERY SUCH BOND SHALL BE, JOINT AND SEVERAL, WITH ONE OR MORE
- 23 CORPORATE SURETIES WHICH SHALL BE SURETY COMPANIES AUTHORIZED TO
- 24 DO BUSINESS IN THIS COMMONWEALTH AND DULY LICENSED BY THE
- 25 INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMONWEALTH. COUNTIES MAY
- 26 PURCHASE INSURANCE FOR DEPUTIES AND OTHER APPOINTEES OF COUNTY
- 27 OFFICERS IN LIEU OF FIDELITY BONDS PROVIDED THAT THE INSURANCE
- 28 POLICY COVERS THE SAME EVENTS OF LOSS AND INSURES THE COUNTY
- 29 AGAINST THE SAME MISCONDUCT AS A FIDELITY BOND IN COMPLIANCE
- 30 WITH THIS ARTICLE.

- 1 EACH SUCH BOND SHALL BE CONDITIONED FOR THE FAITHFUL
- 2 ACCOUNTING AND PAYMENT, ACCORDING TO LAW, OF ALL MONEY RECEIVED
- 3 BY EACH DEPUTY AND APPOINTEE BONDED, AND SHALL BE TAKEN IN THE
- 4 NAME OF THE COUNTY OFFICER IN WHOSE OFFICE THEY ARE EMPLOYED,
- 5 AND SHALL BE FOR THE USE OF THAT OFFICER, THE COUNTY AND OF THE
- 6 COMMONWEALTH, AND FOR THE USE OF SUCH OTHER PARTY OR PARTIES FOR
- 7 WHOM HE SHALL COLLECT OR RECEIVE MONEY AS THE INTEREST OF EACH
- 8 SHALL APPEAR IN CASE OF A BREACH OF THE CONDITIONS THEREOF. EACH
- 9 SUCH BOND SHALL BE PLACED IN THE CUSTODY OF THE CONTROLLER,
- 10 EXCEPT THOSE COVERING EMPLOYES IN THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER,
- 11 WHICH SHALL BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.
- 12 SECTION 430. DETERMINATION OF BONDS OF DEPUTIES AND OTHER
- 13 APPOINTEES. -- BONDS REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN BY THE DEPUTIES AND
- 14 OTHER APPOINTEES OF COUNTY OFFICERS SHALL BE PAID FOR BY THE
- 15 COUNTY AND THE AMOUNTS THEREOF SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE SALARY
- 16 BOARD. THE SALARY BOARD SHALL DETERMINE EACH POSITION FOR WHICH
- 17 THE REQUIREMENT OF A BOND MAY BE JUSTIFIED AS AFORESAID, AND
- 18 SHALL DESIGNATE THE AMOUNT THEREOF. THE SALARY BOARD SHALL, IN
- 19 EACH CASE, BE CONSTITUTED THE SAME AS IF IT WERE FIXING THE
- 20 SALARY OF THE DEPUTY OR APPOINTEE CONCERNED.
- 21 SECTION 431. INSURANCE TO PROTECT AGAINST ROBBERY, BURGLARY
- 22 AND LARCENY; LIABILITY INSURANCE. -- (A) EACH COUNTY OFFICER OR
- 23 EMPLOYE WHO AS PART OF HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES HANDLES MONEY OR HAS
- 24 MONEY IN HIS POSSESSION AT ANY TIME SHALL, IN ADDITION TO ANY
- 25 BOND REQUIRED BY LAW, BE COVERED BY OR FURNISH TO THE COUNTY
- 26 ADEQUATE INSURANCE INDEMNIFYING AGAINST THE LOSS OF SUCH MONEY
- 27 THROUGH ROBBERY, BURGLARY AND LARCENY. THE COST OF SUCH
- 28 INSURANCE SHALL BE PAID BY THE COUNTY AND THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 29 INSURANCE SHALL BE FIXED BY THE COMMISSIONERS.
- 30 SECTION 432. BOND OF REGISTER OF WILLS.--(A) THE REGISTER

- 1 OF WILLS, BEFORE ENTERING UPON THE DUTIES OF HIS OFFICE, SHALL,
- 2 WITH ONE CORPORATE SURETY OR TWO INDIVIDUAL SURETIES ON A FORM
- 3 PREPARED AND SUPPLIED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, GIVE
- 4 A JOINT AND SEVERAL BOND TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA IN
- 5 THE SUM SET FORTH FOR THE CLASS OF COUNTY FOR WHICH HE IS AN
- 6 OFFICER AS FOLLOWS:

7	THIRD CLASS	COUNTIES,		\$25 <b>,</b>	000.
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- 8 FOURTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 20,000.
- 10 SIXTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 10,000.
- 11 SEVENTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 7,500.
- 12 EIGHTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 5,000.
- 13 (B) THE CONDITION OF THE BOND SHALL BE THAT THE REGISTER OF
- 14 WILLS SHALL FAITHFULLY EXECUTE THE DUTIES OF HIS OFFICE AND WELL
- 15 AND TRULY ACCOUNT FOR AND PAY, ACCORDING TO LAW, ALL MONEYS
- 16 RECEIVED BY HIM FOR THE USE OF THE COMMONWEALTH, OR FOR THE USE
- 17 OF OTHERS BY VIRTUE OF HIS OFFICE, AND TO DELIVER UP THE BOOKS,
- 18 SEALS, RECORDS, WRITINGS AND OTHER OFFICIAL THINGS BELONGING TO
- 19 HIS OFFICE WHOLE, SAFE AND UNDEFACED TO HIS SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE.
- 20 (C) SUCH BOND SHALL BE FOR THE USE OF ALL PERSONS CONCERNED
- 21 AND FOR THE RELIEF OF ALL WHO MAY BE AGGRIEVED BY THE ACTS OR
- 22 NEGLECT OF SUCH REGISTER.
- 23 (D) SUCH BOND SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY OF THE
- 24 COMMONWEALTH FOR APPROVAL AND, WHEN HE APPROVES THE SAME, HE
- 25 SHALL FORWARD THE BOND, TOGETHER WITH THE COMMISSION OF THE
- 26 REGISTER, TO THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF THE PROPER COUNTY, AND SO
- 27 NOTIFY THE REGISTER WHO SHALL CAUSE THE BOND TO BE RECORDED IN
- 28 THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS. AFTER RECORDING THE BOND
- 29 THE RECORDER OF DEEDS SHALL DELIVER TO THE REGISTER, HIS
- 30 COMMISSION, AND FORWARD THE BOND TO THE SECRETARY OF THE

- 1 COMMONWEALTH FOR FILING.
- 2 (E) THE BOND REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION SHALL BE THE OFFICIAL
- 3 BOND OF THE REGISTER OF WILLS IN LIEU OF THE OFFICIAL BONDS
- 4 REQUIRED BY THIS SUBDIVISION FOR OTHER COUNTY OFFICERS.
- 5 SECTION 433. FORM OF BOND OF SHERIFF.--THE FORM OF THE BOND
- 6 TO BE GIVEN BY THE SHERIFF AND HIS SURETIES SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS,
- 7 TO WIT: "KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE (A. B., C. D.
- 8 AND E. F.) ARE HELD FIRMLY BOUND UNTO THE COUNTY
- 9 OF ..... IN THE SUM
- 10 OF ..... DOLLARS TO BE PAID TO THE SAID
- 11 COUNTY, OR TO THE COMMONWEALTH, FOR THE USES, INTENTS AND
- 12 PURPOSES DECLARED AND APPOINTED BY LAW, TO WHICH PAYMENT WELL
- 13 AND TRULY TO BE MADE, WE BIND OURSELVES, OUR HEIRS, EXECUTORS,
- 14 AND ADMINISTRATORS, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY, FIRMLY BY THESE
- 15 PRESENTS, SEALED WITH OUR SEALS, DATED ...... DAY
- 16 OF ..... ANNO DOMINI .......
- 17 THE CONDITIONS OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION ARE SUCH THAT, IF THE
- 18 SAID (A. B.) SHALL AND DO, WITHOUT DELAY, ACCORDING TO LAW, WELL
- 19 AND TRULY SERVE AND EXECUTE ALL WRITS AND PROCESS OF THE
- 20 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA TO HIM DIRECTED, AND SHALL AND DO,
- 21 FROM TIME TO TIME, UPON REQUEST TO HIM FOR THAT PURPOSE MADE,
- 22 WELL AND TRULY PAY OR CAUSE TO BE PAID TO THE SEVERAL SUITORS
- 23 AND PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE EXECUTION OF SUCH WRITS OR
- 24 PROCESS, THEIR LAWFUL ATTORNEY, FACTORS, AGENTS OR ASSIGNS, ALL
- 25 AND EVERY SUM AND SUMS OF MONEY TO THEM RESPECTIVELY BELONGING,
- 26 WHICH SHALL COME TO HIS HANDS, AND SHALL AND DO, FROM TIME TO
- 27 TIME AND AT ALL TIMES DURING HIS CONTINUANCE IN THE SAID OFFICE,
- 28 WELL AND FAITHFULLY EXECUTE AND PERFORM ALL AND EVERY OF THE
- 29 TRUSTS AND DUTIES TO THE SAID OFFICE APPERTAINING, THEN THIS
- 30 OBLIGATION TO BE VOID, OR ELSE TO BE AND REMAIN IN FULL FORCE

- 1 AND VIRTUE".
- 2 SECTION 434. AMOUNT OF BOND OF SHERIFF AND OF CORONER.--(A)
- 3 THE AMOUNT OF THE OFFICIAL BOND OF THE SHERIFF SHALL BE AS
- 4 FOLLOWS:

J ININD CLASS COUNTIES,	5	THIRD CLASS	COUNTIES,		\$60 <b>,</b> 000
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- 6 FOURTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 60,000.

- 10 EIGHTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 10,000.
- 11 (B) THE AMOUNT OF THE OFFICIAL BOND OF THE CORONER, IN EACH
- 12 CLASS OF COUNTY, SHALL BE ONE-FOURTH OF THE AMOUNT HEREIN SET
- 13 OUT FOR THE BOND OF THE SHERIFF IN SUCH CLASS OF COUNTY.
- 14 SECTION 435. AMOUNT OF BOND OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER.--THE
- 15 AMOUNT OF THE OFFICIAL BOND OF EACH COUNTY COMMISSIONER SHALL BE
- 16 AS FOLLOWS:

17	THIRD CLASS	COUNTIES.	 \$7.	500.	

- 18 FOURTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 5,000.
- 19 FIFTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 4,000.
- 20 SIXTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 2,500.
- 22 EIGHTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 2,000.
- 23 SECTION 436. AMOUNT OF BOND OF RECORDER OF DEEDS.--THE
- 24 AMOUNT OF THE OFFICIAL BOND OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS SHALL BE AS
- 25 FOLLOWS:

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- 28 FIFTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 10,000.
- 29 SIXTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 5,000.
- 30 SEVENTH CLASS COUNTIES, ..... 5,000.

- 1 EIGHTH CLASS COUNTIES, ...... 5,000.
- 2 SECTION 437. AMOUNT OF BOND OF CONTROLLER. -- THE AMOUNT OF
- 3 THE OFFICIAL BOND OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER IN ALL COUNTIES SHALL
- 4 BE TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000).
- 5 SECTION 802. BOND IN FAVOR OF COMMONWEALTH.--EACH COUNTY
- 6 TREASURER SHALL, BEFORE ENTERING UPON THE DUTIES OF HIS OFFICE,
- 7 GIVE BOND WITH SUFFICIENT SECURITY, TO BE APPROVED OF BY AT
- 8 LEAST TWO OF THE JUDGES, IF THERE IS MORE THAN ONE JUDGE OF THE
- 9 COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS IN THE COUNTY, AND IN SUCH PENALTY AS
- 10 THE SAID JUDGES SHALL DEEM SUFFICIENT, CONDITIONED FOR THE
- 11 FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF ALL DUTIES ENJOINED UPON HIM BY LAW IN
- 12 BEHALF OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AND FOR THE PAYMENT ACCORDING TO LAW
- 13 OF ALL MONEYS RECEIVED BY HIM FOR THE USE OF THE COMMONWEALTH,
- 14 WHICH BOND SHALL BE TAKEN BY AND ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE THE
- 15 RECORDER OF DEEDS OF THE SAME COUNTY, AND RECORDED IN HIS
- 16 OFFICE, AND THE ORIGINAL BOND SHALL BE FORTHWITH TRANSMITTED TO
- 17 THE AUDITOR GENERAL. THE COST OF THE BOND, ITS ACKNOWLEDGMENT
- 18 AND RECORDING, SHALL BE BORNE BY THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 19 COPIES OF THE RECORD OF SUCH BOND, DULY CERTIFIED BY THE
- 20 RECORDER OF DEEDS FOR THE TIME BEING, SHALL BE GOOD EVIDENCE IN
- 21 ANY ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST SUCH TREASURER OR HIS SURETIES ON
- 22 SUCH BOND, ACCORDING TO ITS FORM AND EFFECT, IN THE SAME MANNER
- 23 AS THE ORIGINAL WOULD BE IF PRODUCED AND OFFERED IN EVIDENCE.
- 24 SECTION 803. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE FOR FAILURE TO TRANSMIT
- 25 BOND TO AUDITOR GENERAL. -- IF ANY COUNTY TREASURER SHALL FAIL TO
- 26 TRANSMIT TO THE AUDITOR GENERAL, WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER HIS
- 27 ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT, THE BOND REQUIRED BY THE PRECEDING
- 28 SECTION, HE SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE FORFEITED HIS RIGHT TO THE
- 29 OFFICE; IF HE HAS ENTERED UPON THE DUTIES THEREOF, HE SHALL BE
- 30 OUSTED IN AN ACTION OF QUO WARRANTO IN THE NAME OF THE

- 1 COMMONWEALTH UPON THE RELATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, OR OF
- 2 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY IF THE LATTER IS SO DIRECTED
- 3 BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.
- 4 SECTION 804. WHEN AUDITOR GENERAL TO DELIVER UP BOND OF
- 5 TREASURER. -- THE BOND AND OBLIGATION OF THE COUNTY TREASURER
- 6 SHALL BE HELD BY THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR ONE YEAR AFTER THE
- 7 SETTLEMENT OF HIS ACCOUNTS WITH THE COMMONWEALTH AND,
- 8 THEREAFTER, IF THE AUDITOR GENERAL AND STATE TREASURER ARE FULLY
- 9 SATISFIED THAT THE COUNTY TREASURER HAS SETTLED HIS ACCOUNTS AND
- 10 PAID ALL SUMS DUE THE COMMONWEALTH, SAID BOND AND OBLIGATION
- 11 SHALL UPON REQUEST BE DELIVERED TO ANY PERSON ENTITLED TO THE
- 12 SAME.]
- 13 SECTION 5. SECTION 1251 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 14 SECTION 1251. OFFICIAL RECORDS OF CORONER. -- EVERY CORONER,
- 15 WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE END OF EACH YEAR, SHALL
- 16 DEPOSIT ALL OF HIS OFFICIAL RECORDS AND PAPERS FOR THE PRECEDING
- 17 YEAR IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROTHONOTARY FOR [THE INSPECTION OF
- 18 ALL PERSONS INTERESTED THEREIN] ACCESS ACCORDING TO THE
- 19 PROVISIONS OF THE ACT OF FEBRUARY 14, 2008 (P.L.6, NO.3), KNOWN
- 20 AS THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW.
- 21 SECTION 6. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING AN ARTICLE TO READ:
- 22 ARTICLE XV.2
- 23 COUNTY OFFICER AND
- 24 EMPLOYEE FISCAL SECURITY
- 25 <u>(A) PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS</u>
- 26 SECTION 1560. SCOPE OF ARTICLE.
- 27 (A) SCOPE OF ARTICLE.--THIS ARTICLE APPLIES TO SECURITY
- 28 COVERAGE AND ADDITIONAL COVERAGE IN THE FORM OF BONDS, BLANKET
- 29 BONDS OR INSURANCE, PROTECTING AGAINST EVENTS OF LOSS OF MONEY
- 30 OR PROPERTY AS A RESULT OF MISCONDUCT BY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

- 1 <u>IN COUNTIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, SECOND CLASS A, THIRD CLASS,</u>
- 2 FOURTH CLASS, FIFTH CLASS, SIXTH CLASS, SEVENTH CLASS OR EIGHTH
- 3 CLASS, INCLUDING COUNTIES OF THESE CLASSES WHICH HAVE ADOPTED A
- 4 HOME RULE CHARTER OR AN OPTIONAL PLAN.
- 5 (B) INAPPLICABILITY.--THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT APPLY TO BONDS
- 6 OF COUNTY TREASURERS ACTING AS TAX COLLECTORS AS PROVIDED IN
- 7 SECTION 4 OF THE ACT OF MAY 25, 1945 (P.L.1050, NO.394), KNOWN
- 8 AS THE LOCAL TAX COLLECTION LAW.
- 9 <u>SECTION 1561.</u> <u>DEFINITIONS.</u>
- 10 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS ARTICLE
- 11 SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE
- 12 CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:
- 13 "ADDITIONAL COVERAGE." INSURANCE THAT COVERS EACH COUNTY
- 14 OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE, ACCOUNT FOR OR
- 15 HOLD ANY MONEY OR PROPERTY BY VIRTUE OF HIS OR HER OFFICE OR
- 16 EMPLOYMENT AND WHICH, AT A MINIMUM, INDEMNIFIES THE COUNTY
- 17 AGAINST THE LOSS OF MONEY AND PROPERTY THROUGH ROBBERY, BURGLARY
- 18 AND LARCENY.
- 19 "BLANKET BOND." SECURITY COVERAGE IN THE FORM OF A BOND FOR
- 20 COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AS FOLLOWS:
- 21 (1) FOR COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AS A COMPREHENSIVE
- 22 GROUP;
- 23 (2) FOR A GROUP OF NAMED COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES;
- 24 OR
- 25 (3) FOR COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN SCHEDULED
- 26 POSITIONS.
- 27 "BOND." SECURITY COVERAGE UNDER WHICH A SURETY GUARANTEES
- 28 THE PERFORMANCE OF A DUTY BY A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE IN
- 29 <u>COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.</u>
- 30 "COUNTY." A COUNTY OF THE SECOND CLASS, SECOND CLASS A,

- 1 THIRD CLASS, FOURTH CLASS, FIFTH CLASS, SIXTH CLASS, SEVENTH
- 2 CLASS OR EIGHTH CLASS, INCLUDING COUNTIES OF THESE CLASSES WHICH
- 3 HAVE ADOPTED OR MAY ADOPT A HOME RULE CHARTER OR AN OPTIONAL
- 4 PLAN.
- 5 <u>"COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES." ELECTED AND APPOINTED</u>
- 6 COUNTY OFFICIALS, THE DEPUTIES AND OTHER APPOINTEES OF COUNTY
- 7 ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WHETHER
- 8 ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OR AS AGENTS OF A COMMONWEALTH
- 9 AGENCY OR A GOVERNING AUTHORITY, WHO ARE REQUIRED TO RECEIVE,
- 10 ACCOUNT FOR OR HOLD ANY MONEY OR PROPERTY BY VIRTUE OF THEIR
- 11 OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT.
- 12 "CRIME-FIDELITY INSURANCE." INSURANCE THAT IS ENDORSED WITH
- 13 <u>FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY COVERAGE AND WHICH INSURES, AT A</u>
- 14 MINIMUM, AGAINST EVENTS OF LOSS OF MONEY OR OTHER PROPERTY,
- 15 RESULTING FROM ONE OR MORE FRAUDULENT OR DISHONEST ACTS,
- 16 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EMBEZZLEMENT, THEFT, FORGERY,
- 17 SIMILAR ACTS OF DISHONESTY OR FRAUD BY A COUNTY OFFICER OR
- 18 EMPLOYEE ACTING ALONE OR IN COLLUSION WITH OTHERS, OR FROM A
- 19 BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY OR A FAILURE OF A COUNTY OFFICER OR
- 20 EMPLOYEE TO PERFORM FAITHFULLY THE OFFICER'S OR EMPLOYEE'S
- 21 DUTIES OR TO ACCOUNT PROPERLY FOR ALL MONEY AND PROPERTY
- 22 RECEIVED, HELD OR REQUIRED TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR, BY VIRTUE OF THE
- 23 OFFICER'S OR EMPLOYEE'S OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT.
- 24 "GOVERNING AUTHORITY." INCLUDES:
- 25 <u>(1) THE SUPREME COURT.</u>
- 26 (2) ANY AGENCY OR UNIT OF THE UNIFIED JUDICIAL SYSTEM
- 27 <u>EXERCISING A POWER OR PERFORMING A DUTY UNDER 42 PA.C.S.</u>
- 28 1721 (RELATING TO DELEGATION OF POWERS).
- 29 "GOVERNING BODY." THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OR THE
- 30 BODY VESTED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY IN

- 1 COUNTIES WHICH HAVE ADOPTED A HOME RULE CHARTER OR AN OPTIONAL
- 2 PLAN.
- 3 "HOME RULE CHARTER." A CHARTER ADOPTED UNDER 53 PA.C.S. PT.
- 4 <u>III SUBPT. E (RELATING TO HOME RULE AND OPTIONAL PLAN</u>
- 5 GOVERNMENT) OR ITS PREDECESSOR, THE FORMER ACT OF APRIL 13, 1972
- 6 (P.L.184, NO.62), KNOWN AS THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND OPTIONAL
- 7 PLANS LAW, OR ARTICLE XXXI-C OF THE ACT OF JULY 28, 1953
- 8 (P.L.723, NO.230), KNOWN AS THE SECOND CLASS COUNTY CODE.
- 9 "MONEY." COIN OR CURRENCY OF THE UNITED STATES OR OF ANY
- 10 OTHER COUNTRY, TRAVELERS CHECKS, PERSONAL CHECKS, BANK CHECKS
- 11 AND BANK NOTES IN CURRENT USE AND HAVING A FACE VALUE, MONEY
- 12 ORDERS AND SECURITIES.
- "OFFICIAL SECURITY." SECURITY ON BEHALF OF A COUNTY OFFICER
- 14 TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FROM EVENTS OF LOSS OR MISCONDUCT WHEN THE
- 15 OFFICER FAILS TO FAITHFULLY PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE.
- 16 "OPTIONAL PLAN." AN OPTIONAL PLAN ADOPTED UNDER 53 PA.C.S.
- 17 PT. III SUBPT. E (RELATING TO HOME RULE AND OPTIONAL PLAN
- 18 GOVERNMENT) OR ITS PREDECESSOR, THE FORMER ACT OF APRIL 13, 1972
- 19 (P.L.184, NO.62), KNOWN AS THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND OPTIONAL
- 20 PLANS LAW.
- 21 "REQUIRED SECURITY." SECURITY COVERAGE AND ADDITIONAL
- 22 COVERAGE PROVIDED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.
- 23 "SECURITIES." ALL NEGOTIABLE AND NONNEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS
- 24 OR CONTRACTS REPRESENTING EITHER MONEY OR OTHER PROPERTY,
- 25 INCLUDING REVENUE AND OTHER STAMPS IN CURRENT USE, TOKENS AND
- 26 TICKETS AND EVIDENCES OF DEBT ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH CREDIT
- 27 OR CHARGE CARDS, WHICH CARDS ARE NOT ISSUED BY THE COUNTY.
- 28 "SECURITY COVERAGE." A BOND, A BLANKET BOND OR A CRIME-
- 29 FIDELITY INSURANCE POLICY, WHICH IS ENDORSED WITH FAITHFUL
- 30 PERFORMANCE OF DUTY COVERAGE, PROVIDED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS

- 1 ARTICLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING AGAINST THE LOSS OF MONEY
- 2 AND OTHER PROPERTY SUSTAINED AS A RESULT OF ONE OR MORE
- 3 FRAUDULENT OR DISHONEST ACTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,
- 4 EMBEZZLEMENT, THEFT, FORGERY, SIMILAR ACTS OF DISHONESTY OR
- 5 FRAUD BY A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE ACTING ALONE OR IN
- 6 <u>COLLUSION WITH OTHERS OR FROM A BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY OR A</u>
- 7 FAILURE OF A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE TO PERFORM FAITHFULLY
- 8 THE OFFICER'S OR EMPLOYEE'S DUTIES OR TO ACCOUNT PROPERLY FOR
- 9 ALL MONEY AND PROPERTY RECEIVED BY VIRTUE OF THE OFFICER'S OR
- 10 EMPLOYEE'S POSITION OR EMPLOYMENT.
- 11 (B) SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED MATTERS
- 12 SECTION 1570. REQUIRED SECURITY.
- 13 (A) IN GENERAL.--A COUNTY SHALL OBTAIN SECURITY COVERAGE AND
- 14 ADDITIONAL COVERAGE FOR COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN
- 15 <u>ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.</u>
- 16 (B) SECURITY COVERAGE. -- SECURITY COVERAGE SHALL BE PROVIDED
- 17 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING:
- 18 (1) SECTION 1571.
- 19 (2) SECTION 1572.
- 20 <u>(3)</u> SECTION 1573.
- 21 (C) ADDITIONAL COVERAGE. -- SUPPLEMENTAL TO OR AS PART OF THE
- 22 SECURITY COVERAGE TO BE PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS
- 23 ARTICLE, ADDITIONAL COVERAGE IN THE FORM OF ADEQUATE INSURANCE
- 24 INDEMNIFYING AGAINST THE LOSS OF MONEY AND PROPERTY THROUGH
- 25 ROBBERY, BURGLARY AND LARCENY, SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR EACH COUNTY
- 26 OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE, ACCOUNT FOR OR
- 27 HOLD ANY MONEY AND OTHER PROPERTY BY VIRTUE OF THE OFFICER'S OR
- 28 EMPLOYEE'S OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT.
- 29 (D) PRIMARY LIABILITY.--
- 30 (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2), THE COUNTY

- 1 SHALL BE PRIMARILY LIABLE FOR A CLAIM FOR THE LOSS OF MONEY
- 2 AND PROPERTY WHICH A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED
- 3 TO RECEIVE, ACCOUNT FOR OR HOLD BY VIRTUE OF THE OFFICER'S OR
- 4 EMPLOYEE'S OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE LOSS
- 5 IS OR COULD HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF REQUIRED SECURITY UNDER
- 6 THIS ARTICLE.
- 7 (2) THE COUNTY SHALL NOT BE PRIMARILY LIABLE FOR A CLAIM
- FOR THE LOSS OF MONEY AND PROPERTY UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) TO THE
- 9 <u>EXTENT THAT RECOVERY OF THE LOSS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM OTHER</u>
- 10 INSURANCE OR BOND PROTECTION PROVIDED BY THE COMMONWEALTH
- 11 AGENCY OR ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY ASSERTING A CLAIM.
- 12 (3) WITH REGARD TO THE LOSS OF MONEY OR PROPERTY,
- 13 <u>NOTHING IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE DEEMED TO RESTRICT OR</u>
- 14 DIMINISH A COUNTY'S RIGHT TO REIMBURSEMENT OR SUBROGATION OR
- 15 <u>TO LIMIT ANY RIGHT THE COUNTY MAY HAVE TO BE INDEMNIFIED OR</u>
- 16 RECEIVE RESTITUTION FOR THE LOSS.
- 17 SECTION 1571. OFFICIAL SECURITY AND OFFICERS.
- 18 (A) OFFICIAL SECURITY.--EACH COUNTY SHALL OBTAIN OFFICIAL
- 19 SECURITY IN THE FORM OF BONDS, A BLANKET BOND OR A CRIME-
- 20 FIDELITY INSURANCE POLICY, WHICH IS ENDORSED WITH FAITHFUL
- 21 PERFORMANCE OF DUTY COVERAGE, ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICERS SET
- 22 FORTH IN SUBSECTION (B) OR THE EQUIVALENT OFFICERS IN HOME RULE
- 23 OR OPTIONAL PLANS COUNTIES, WHETHER ELECTED, APPOINTED OR
- 24 APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY, BEFORE THOSE OFFICERS BEGIN THEIR
- 25 OFFICIAL DUTIES.
- 26 (B) OFFICERS.--THE FOLLOWING ARE THE OFFICERS OR EQUIVALENT
- 27 OFFICERS IN HOME RULE OR OPTIONAL PLANS COUNTIES UPON WHOSE
- 28 BEHALF OFFICIAL SECURITY SHALL BE OBTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 29 <u>SUBSECTION (A):</u>
- 30 (1) EACH COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

- 1 (2) THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.
- 2 <u>(3)</u> THE CONTROLLER.
- 3 (4) THE COUNTY TREASURER.
- 4 (5) THE PROTHONOTARY OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.
- 5 (6) THE SHERIFF.
- 6 (7) THE CORONER.
- 7 (8) THE CLERK OF THE COURTS OF THE COURT OF COMMON
- 8 PLEAS.
- 9 <u>(9) THE CLERK OF THE ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION OF THE</u>
- 10 COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.
- 11 (10) THE RECORDER OF DEEDS.
- 12 (11) THE REGISTER OF WILLS.
- 13 (12) PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS, IF REQUIRED BY ORDER
- OF COURT TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL SECURITY.
- 15 (13) THE FIRE MARSHAL AND DEPUTY FIRE MARSHALS, IF
- 16 REQUIRED BY LAW TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL SECURITY.
- 17 (14) THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE HEALTH
- 18 OFFICER IN A COUNTY IN WHICH THE SECRETARY IS REQUIRED BY LAW
- 19 TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL SECURITY.
- 20 SECTION 1572. OTHER COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.
- 21 A COUNTY SHALL OBTAIN SECURITY COVERAGE WITH FAITHFUL
- 22 PERFORMANCE OF DUTY COVERAGE FOR ALL COUNTY OFFICERS AND
- 23 EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 1571, INCLUDING
- 24 DEPUTIES AND OTHER APPOINTEES IN EACH COUNTY OFFICE, WHO ARE
- 25 REOUIRED TO RECEIVE, ACCOUNT FOR OR HOLD ANY MONEY AND OTHER
- 26 PROPERTY BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT.
- 27 <u>SECTION 1573. COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ACTING AS AGENTS.</u>
- 28 EACH COUNTY SHALL OBTAIN SECURITY COVERAGE FOR COUNTY
- 29 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ACTING AS AGENTS OF A COMMONWEALTH AGENCY
- 30 OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE OR ANY

- 1 OTHER LAW, REGULATION OR RULE REQUIRING THE POSTING OF SECURITY
- 2 IN THE FORM OF A BOND OR OTHERWISE.
- 3 <u>SECTION 1574.</u> BONDS OR BLANKET BOND AS SECURITY COVERAGE.
- 4 (A) IN GENERAL.--A COUNTY MAY COMPLY WITH SECTION 1570(B) BY
- 5 PROVIDING BONDS OR A BLANKET BOND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
- 6 FOLLOWING:
- 7 (1) THE BOND OR BLANKET BOND SHALL BE JOINT AND SEVERAL,
- 8 WITH ONE OR MORE SURETY COMPANIES AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS
- 9 <u>IN THIS COMMONWEALTH AND LICENSED BY THE INSURANCE</u>
- 10 COMMISSIONER.
- 11 (2) THE BOND OR BLANKET BOND SHALL BE CONDITIONED UPON
- 12 <u>EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:</u>
- 13 (I) THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF ALL DUTIES REQUIRED
- 14 OF THE PERSON HOLDING THE OFFICE OR POSITION.
- 15 <u>(II) THE JUST AND FAITHFUL USE, ACCOUNTING OR</u>
- 16 PAYMENT OVER, ACCORDING TO LAW, OF ALL MONEYS AND
- 17 BALANCES AND OTHER PROPERTY, WHICH IS REQUIRED TO BE
- 18 RECEIVED, ACCOUNTED FOR OR HELD BY THE OFFICER OR
- 19 EMPLOYEE BY VIRTUE OF THE OFFICER'S OR EMPLOYEE'S OFFICE
- OR EMPLOYMENT WHETHER ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, THE
- 21 COMMONWEALTH, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR ANY OTHER
- PERSON.
- 23 (III) THE DELIVERY TO THE SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE OF ALL
- BOOKS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS OR OTHER OFFICIAL THINGS, WHOLE,
- 25 <u>SAFE AND UNDEFACED, HELD IN RIGHT OF THE OFFICE.</u>
- 26 (3) A BOND OR BLANKET BOND SHALL BE TAKEN IN THE NAME OF
- THE COUNTY AND, IN CASE OF A BREACH OF ANY OF THE CONDITIONS
- THEREOF BY THE ACTS OR NEGLECT OF A PRINCIPAL ON THE BOND,
- 29 SHALL BE FOR THE USE OF THE COUNTY, THE COMMONWEALTH, A
- 30 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR ANY OTHER PERSON AS THAT PERSON'S

- 1 INTEREST SHALL OTHERWISE APPEAR.
- 2 <u>(4) THE COUNTY, THE COMMONWEALTH, A POLITICAL</u>
- 3 SUBDIVISION OR OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS MAY SUE UPON THE BOND
- 4 IN ITS NAME OR FOR ITS OWN USE. ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
- 5 PERTAINING TO ACTIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF ACTIONS UPON
- 6 OFFICIAL BONDS GIVEN TO THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL APPLY TO THE
- 7 BONDS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ARTICLE JUST AS IF THEY WERE GIVEN
- 8 TO THE COMMONWEALTH, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY
- 9 PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE.
- 10 (B) COMBINED OFFICES. -- IN COUNTIES IN WHICH ONE OR MORE OF
- 11 THE COUNTY OFFICES SET FORTH IN SECTION 1571(B) ARE COMBINED, IF
- 12 OFFICERS ARE COVERED BY INDIVIDUAL BONDS, A SINGLE BOND COVERING
- 13 THE COMBINED OFFICES SHALL SUFFICE FOR THE OFFICER HOLDING THE
- 14 <u>COMBINED OFFICES.</u>
- 15 SECTION 1575. INSURANCE AS SECURITY COVERAGE.
- 16 A COUNTY MAY COMPLY WITH SECTION 1570 BY PROVIDING CRIME-
- 17 FIDELITY INSURANCE FOR COUNTY OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES IN
- 18 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.
- 19 SECTION 1576. FORM OF REQUIRED SECURITY.
- THE FORM AND CONTENTS OF A BOND, A BLANKET BOND OR INSURANCE
- 21 OBTAINED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE APPROVED BY
- 22 THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY, AFTER REVIEW BY THE COUNTY
- 23 SOLICITOR AND CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNTY RISK MANAGER, IF ANY.
- 24 IN CASES IN WHICH REQUIRED SECURITY IS BEING PROVIDED FOR A
- 25 COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS ACTING AS AN AGENT FOR A
- 26 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY, THE COMMONWEALTH
- 27 AGENCY OR THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY MAY REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE
- 28 FORM OF THE REQUIRED SECURITY. THE GOVERNING BODY MAY REFER TO
- 29 SAMPLE FORMS THAT MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 30 STATE IN THE APPROVAL PROCESS.

- 1 SECTION 1577. AMOUNT OF COVERAGE.
- 2 (A) GOVERNING BODY. -- THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL ESTABLISH A
- 3 PROCEDURE PURSUANT TO WHICH THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL ANNUALLY
- 4 DETERMINE THE FORM AND AMOUNT OF REQUIRED SECURITY THAT WILL BE
- 5 REASONABLY SUFFICIENT TO PROTECT AGAINST THE RISKS OF LOSS IN
- 6 COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.
- 7 (B) RISK MANAGER.--THE GOVERNING BODY MAY APPOINT A RISK
- 8 MANAGER WHO, AT THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNING BODY, SHALL COMPILE
- 9 AND SUBMIT INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THE DETERMINATION OF AN
- 10 AMOUNT OF REQUIRED SECURITY UNDER SUBSECTION (A).
- 11 (C) CONSULTATION. -- TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF SECURITY FOR A
- 12 COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS ACTING AS AN AGENT FOR A
- 13 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY, THE GOVERNING BODY
- 14 MAY, OR THE RISK MANAGER SHALL, IF DIRECTED BY THE GOVERNING
- 15 BODY, PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE SECRETARY OR HEAD OF THE
- 16 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY. THE COMMONWEALTH
- 17 AGENCY OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY MAY PROVIDE INPUT CONCERNING THE
- 18 AMOUNT OF SECURITY IT BELIEVES IS REASONABLY SUFFICIENT TO
- 19 PROTECT AGAINST THE RISKS OF LOSS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THIS
- 20 ARTICLE. NOTHING IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL IMPAIR THE RIGHT OF A
- 21 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY FROM APPROVING THE
- 22 AMOUNT OF REQUIRED SECURITY, IF IT IS EXPLICITLY AUTHORIZED BY
- 23 LAW TO APPROVE THE AMOUNT OF A BOND OR OTHER SECURITY OF A
- 24 COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE ACTING AS ITS AGENT.
- 25 SECTION 1578. CUSTODY AND FILING OF REOUIRED SECURITY
- DOCUMENTS.
- 27 (A) CUSTODY.--THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL DIRECT THE CHIEF
- 28 CLERK OR EQUIVALENT OFFICER IN A HOME RULE OR OPTIONAL PLAN
- 29 COUNTY TO PRESENT THE DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING REQUIRED SECURITY
- 30 OBTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE TO THE RECORDER OF

- 1 DEEDS OR EQUIVALENT OFFICER IN A HOME RULE OR OPTIONAL PLAN
- 2 COUNTY FOR RECORDING. NO TAX, FEE OR OTHER CHARGE SHALL BE
- 3 IMPOSED FOR THE RECORDING OF DOCUMENTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS
- 4 <u>SECTION. FOLLOWING THE RECORDING, THE DOCUMENTS SHALL BE</u>
- 5 RETURNED TO THE CHIEF CLERK OR EQUIVALENT OFFICER IN A HOME RULE
- 6 OR OPTIONAL PLAN COUNTY, WHO SHALL MAINTAIN THE CUSTODY OF THESE
- 7 DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY.
- 8 (B) DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILING.--
- 9 (1) IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 809 OF THE ACT OF APRIL
- 9, 1929 (P.L.177, NO.175), KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
- 11 OF 1929, IT SHALL BE SUFFICIENT FOR A COPY OF THE RECORDED
- 12 <u>DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING THE REQUIRED SECURITY FOR COUNTY</u>
- OFFICERS TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN
- 14 ACCORDANCE WITH DEADLINES ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 15 (2) NO OTHER FILING OR APPROVALS, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN
- 16 <u>SECTION 1580(C)(2) OF DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING THE REQUIRED</u>
- 17 SECURITY FOR COUNTY OFFICERS, EXCEPT THAT REQUIRED IN
- 18 ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (1), SHALL BE REQUIRED AS A
- 19 CONDITION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF COMMISSIONS TO ELECTED COUNTY
- 20 OFFICIALS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.
- 21 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF ANY OTHER LAW, NO
- 22 TAX, FEE OR OTHER CHARGE SHALL BE IMPOSED AS A RESULT OF THE
- 23 ISSUANCE OF COMMISSIONS TO ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS, AND NO
- 24 FEE MAY BE IMPOSED FOR THE RECORDING OF REQUIRED SECURITY
- 25 DOCUMENTS OR COMMISSIONS.
- 26 (C) COPIES.--IF REQUESTED BY THE COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR
- 27 GOVERNING AUTHORITY ON WHOSE BEHALF A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE
- 28 IS ACTING AS AN AGENT, A COPY OF RECORDED DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING
- 29 THE REQUIRED SECURITY SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE CHIEF CLERK OR
- 30 THE EQUIVALENT OFFICER IN A HOME RULE OR OPTIONAL PLANS COUNTY

- 1 TO THE COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY. NO CHARGE OR
- 2 FEE SHALL BE IMPOSED FOR ANY COPY PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 3 THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4 (D) FILING BY GOVERNING BODY. -- THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL HAVE
- 5 THE DUTY TO FILE DOCUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION.
- 6 (E) RETENTION OF DOCUMENTS.--DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING REQUIRED
- 7 SECURITY SHALL BE HELD BY THE CUSTODIAN THEREOF FOR THE LONGER
- 8 OF THE FOLLOWING PERIODS:
- 9 (1) FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR AFTER THE OFFICER'S TERM OF
- OFFICE OR EMPLOYEE'S PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT AND, IN THE CASE OF
- A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS ACTING AS AN AGENT FOR A
- 12 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY, FOR AT LEAST ONE
- 13 YEAR AFTER THE SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS WITH THE COMMONWEALTH
- 14 <u>AGENCY OR THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY.</u>
- 15 (2) FOR THE PERIOD OF TIME REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF AUGUST
- 16 14, 1963 (P.L.839, NO.407), ENTITLED "AN ACT CREATING A
- 17 COUNTY RECORDS COMMITTEE; IMPOSING POWERS AND DUTIES UPON IT;
- 18 AUTHORIZING THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
- 19 TO ASSIST AND COOPERATE WITH IT; DEFINING COUNTY RECORDS; AND
- 20 AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN COUNTY RECORDS BY
- 21 COUNTY OFFICERS IN COUNTIES OF THE SECOND TO EIGHTH CLASS,"
- 22 OR THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED PURSUANT THERETO.
- 23 (F) EVIDENCE. -- A COPY OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING
- 24 REQUIRED SECURITY, CERTIFIED AS TRUE AND CORRECT BY THE
- 25 CUSTODIAN THEREOF, OR A COPY OF THE RECORDED DOCUMENTS
- 26 EVIDENCING REQUIRED SECURITY, CERTIFIED AS TRUE AND CORRECT BY
- 27 THE RECORDER OF DEEDS, SHALL BE COMPETENT EVIDENCE THEREOF IN
- 28 ANY JUDICIAL PROCEEDING, IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE ORIGINAL
- 29 WOULD BE IF PRODUCED AND OFFERED IN EVIDENCE.
- 30 (G) SUFFICIENCY OF FILING AND RECORDING. -- NOTWITHSTANDING

- 1 ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, IT SHALL BE SUFFICIENT TO FILE AND
- 2 RECORD DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING REQUIRED SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 3 THIS ARTICLE WITHOUT FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGMENT, FILING OR RECORDING
- 4 OF THESE DOCUMENTS WITH ANY OTHER COUNTY OFFICER OR WITH ANY
- 5 OTHER COMMONWEALTH AGENCY, EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE.
- 6 <u>SECTION 1579. PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS AND COMMISSIONS ON</u>
- 7 COLLECTIONS.
- 8 (A) PREMIUMS AND COSTS.--THE PREMIUMS AND COSTS FOR ALL
- 9 FORMS OF REQUIRED SECURITY FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES
- 10 SHALL BE PAID BY THE COUNTY. THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS ARTICLE
- 11 THAT A COUNTY ACQUIRE AND PAY THE PREMIUMS AND COSTS FOR
- 12 REQUIRED SECURITY SHALL NOT RELIEVE A COMMONWEALTH AGENCY ON
- 13 WHOSE BEHALF A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE IS ACTING AS AN AGENT
- 14 FROM AN OBLIGATION, IMPOSED BY LAW, TO PROCURE INSURANCE OR
- 15 BONDING PROTECTION.
- 16 (B) COMMISSIONS ON COLLECTIONS. -- NOTHING IN THIS ARTICLE
- 17 SHALL AFFECT THE RIGHT, PROVIDED FOR IN ANY OTHER LAW, OF A
- 18 COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE TO RETAIN A COMMISSION, FOR USE OF
- 19 THE COUNTY, ON AMOUNTS COLLECTED OR TRANSMITTED AS AGENT FOR A
- 20 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY. NOTWITHSTANDING THE RIGHT TO RETAIN
- 21 COMMISSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH, NO COUNTY OFFICER
- 22 OR EMPLOYEE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RETAIN ANY ADDITIONAL SUMS FROM
- 23 AMOUNTS COLLECTED FOR OR TO BE TRANSMITTED TO THE COMMONWEALTH
- 24 AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING PREMIUMS OR COSTS RELATED TO
- 25 THE ACOUISITION OF REQUIRED SECURITY.
- 26 SECTION 1580. OTHER REQUIREMENTS, REFERENCES AND APPROVALS.
- 27 (A) COMPLIANCE. -- A REQUIREMENT IN ANOTHER LAW, REGULATION OR
- 28 RULE THAT A BOND BE PROVIDED BY A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE TO
- 29 SECURE THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY OR TO ACT AS THE AGENT
- 30 OF A COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR GOVERNING AUTHORITY MAY BE SATISFIED

- 1 BY INCLUDING THIS OBLIGATION WITHIN THE COVERAGE OF REQUIRED
- 2 SECURITY SUPPLIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE.
- 3 (B) REFERENCE TO BONDS. -- REFERENCE TO BONDS OF COUNTY
- 4 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN ANY OTHER LAW SHALL BE CONSTRUED AND
- 5 READ TOGETHER WITH THIS ARTICLE, AND IF A CONFLICT EXISTS
- 6 BETWEEN THIS ARTICLE AND THE REFERENCE TO BONDS OF COUNTY
- 7 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN ANY OTHER LAW, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 8 ARTICLE SHALL PREVAIL.
- 9 (C) OTHER APPROVALS. -- NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF
- 10 LAW, THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY TO REQUIRED SECURITY IN THE FORM
- 11 OF A BOND, A BLANKET BOND OR INSURANCE:
- 12 (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2), WHEN REQUIRED
- 13 SECURITY IS OBTAINED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE, IT
- 14 SHALL NOT REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF ANY COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR
- 15 THE GOVERNOR AS TO FORM, CONTENT OR AMOUNT.
- 16 (2) IF ANY OTHER LAW EXPLICITLY AUTHORIZES A
- 17 COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR THE GOVERNOR TO APPROVE THE AMOUNT OF
- A BOND OR OTHER SECURITY OF A COUNTY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE, THE
- 19 AMOUNT OF REQUIRED SECURITY UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE
- 20 SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE COMMONWEALTH AGENCY OR THE
- 21 GOVERNOR, WHICH APPROVAL SHALL NOT BE UNREASONABLY WITHHELD.
- 22 SECTION 7. SECTION 2399.61 OF THE ACT, ADDED OCTOBER 18,
- 23 2000 (P.L.541, NO.73), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 24 Section 2399.61. Governing Board.--(a) The power of the
- 25 authority shall be exercised by a governing board composed of
- 26 [nine] <u>eleven</u> members <u>appointed as follows</u>:
- 27 (1) The mayor or, if there is no mayor, the [elected chief
- 28 executive officer, of the county seat] governing body of the
- 29 municipality in which the convention center facilities are
- 30 located shall appoint[, with the advice and consent of the city

- 1 council or equivalent body, three] two members. The term of
- 2 office of these members shall be four years. The terms of the
- 3 first [three] two members appointed shall be allocated [among]
- 4 <u>between</u> them for a two-year[, three-year] and four-year term,
- 5 respectively. In all cases, the beginning of the term shall be
- 6 deemed January 1 of the year of appointment, subject to
- 7 subsection (b).
- 8 (2) The county [executive or other elected chief executive
- 9 officer of the county] <u>council</u> or, if there is no county
- 10 [executive or elected chief executive officer of the county]
- 11 council, the governing body of the county in which the
- 12 convention center facilities are located shall appoint [four]
- 13 <u>seven</u> members. [Appointments by a county executive or other
- 14 elected chief executive officer shall be with the advice and
- 15 consent of the county council or equivalent body.] The term of
- 16 office of these members shall be four years. The terms of the
- 17 first [four] <u>seven</u> members appointed shall be allocated among
- 18 them [for a] as follows: one one-year term, two two-year terms,
- 19 <u>two</u> three-year <u>terms</u> and <u>two</u> four-year [term, respectively]
- 20 <u>terms</u>. In all cases, the beginning of the term shall be deemed
- 21 January 1 of the year of appointment, subject to subsection (b).
- 22 (3) Two members shall be appointed by the Governor with the
- 23 advice and consent of a majority of the members of the Senate.
- 24 [(4) If the authority created pursuant to section 2399.54 is
- 25 created by the county acting alone, seven members shall be
- 26 appointed under clause (2). The term of office of these members
- 27 shall be four years. The terms of the first members appointed
- 28 shall be allocated among them as follows: a one-year term, two
- 29 two-year terms, two three-year terms and two four-year terms.]
- 30 (b) Except as otherwise provided, members shall serve a

- 1 four-year term from the date of their appointment and until
- 2 their successors have been appointed and qualified. If a vacancy
- 3 shall occur by means of the death, disqualification, resignation
- 4 or removal of a member, subject to the provisions of subsection
- 5 (a), the appointing authority shall appoint a successor to fill
- 6 the unexpired term.
- 7 (c) The members of the board shall not be compensated for
- 8 their service on the board or for any other position in which
- 9 they may serve the authority. The authority may reimburse
- 10 members for reasonable and necessary out-of-pocket expenses
- 11 incurred by members in carrying out the business of the
- 12 authority.
- 13 (d) (1) The members of the board shall select from among
- 14 themselves a chairman and such other officers as the board may
- 15 determine. Except as otherwise provided, all actions of the
- 16 board shall be taken by a vote of at least [five] six members of
- 17 the board, which shall constitute a majority of the board,
- 18 unless the bylaws of the authority shall provide for a majority
- 19 vote by a present quorum of not less than [five] six members in
- 20 the absence of a full board. The board shall have full authority
- 21 to manage the properties and business of the authority and to
- 22 prescribe, amend and repeal bylaws, rules and regulations
- 23 governing the manner in which the business of the authority may
- 24 be conducted and the powers granted to it may be exercised and
- 25 embodied. Notwithstanding any other law, court decision,
- 26 precedent or practice to the contrary, no actions by or on
- 27 behalf of the board shall be taken by an officer of the board or
- 28 the authority except upon the approval or prior authorization of
- 29 the board. As used in this subsection, the term "actions by or
- 30 on behalf of the board" means any action whatsoever of the

- 1 board, including, but not limited to, the hiring, appointment,
- 2 removal, transfer, promotion or demotion of any officers and
- 3 employes, the retention, use or remuneration of advisors,
- 4 counsel, auditors, architects, engineers or consultants, the
- 5 initiation of legal action, the making of contracts, leases,
- 6 agreements, bonds, notes or covenants, the approval of
- 7 requisitions, purchase orders, investments and reinvestments,
- 8 and the adoption, amendment, revision or rescission of rules and
- 9 regulations, orders or other directives.
- 10 (2) The board shall appoint an executive director, who shall
- 11 act as the chief executive officer of the authority. The
- 12 executive director shall not be a member of the board.
- 13 Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (1), the board may, by
- 14 bylaw or by resolution, delegate to the executive director the
- 15 authority and power to carry out the day-to-day operations of
- 16 the authority and to exercise those powers which are normal,
- 17 customary and necessary to perform the duties of a chief
- 18 executive officer.
- 19 (3) The board may appoint such assistant and other officers,
- 20 including assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers, as the
- 21 board determines to be appropriate to carry out the business of
- 22 the authority. Assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers
- 23 may be members of the board.
- 24 (4) The board may appoint one or more deputy executive
- 25 directors who, to the extent authorized by the board, may
- 26 exercise the duties and powers of the executive director in the
- 27 executive director's absence or incapacity or in the event of a
- 28 vacancy in the office of executive director.
- 29 (e) Members of the board shall not be liable personally on
- 30 the bonds or other obligations of the authority, and the rights

- 1 of creditors shall be solely against the authority. The
- 2 authority, itself or by contract, shall defend board members,
- 3 and the authority shall indemnify and hold harmless board
- 4 members, whether or not currently serving as a member of the
- 5 authority, against and from any and all personal liabilities,
- 6 actions, causes of action and claims made against them for
- 7 whatever actions they perform within the scope of their duties
- 8 as board members.
- 9 SECTION 8. REPEALS ARE AS FOLLOWS:
- 10 (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT THE REPEALS UNDER
- 11 PARAGRAPH (2) ARE NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE AMENDMENT OR
- 12 ADDITION OF ARTICLE XV.2 OF THE ACT.
- 13 (2) THE FOLLOWING ACTS AND PARTS OF ACTS ARE REPEALED:
- 14 (I) SECTIONS 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427,
- 15 428, 429, 430, 431, 802, 803, 804, 1261 AND 1262 OF THE
- 16 ACT OF JULY 28, 1953 (P.L.723, NO.230), KNOWN AS THE
- 17 SECOND CLASS COUNTY CODE.
- 18 (II) AS MUCH OF SECTION 3103 OF THE SECOND CLASS
- 19 COUNTY CODE, AS READS AS FOLLOWS: "THE BOND OF THE FIRE
- 20 MARSHAL SHALL BE IN THE SUM OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS
- 21 (\$10,000) AND THE BONDS OF THE DEPUTY FIRE MARSHALS SHALL
- 22 BE IN THE SUM OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5000)."
- 23 (3) ALL ACTS AND PARTS OF ACTS RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL
- 24 SECURITY OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ARE REPEALED
- 25 INSOFAR AS THEY ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE ADDITION OF ARTICLE
- 26 XV.2 OF THE ACT.
- 27 Section  $\geq$  9. The amendment of section 2399.61(a)(1) of the
- 28 act shall apply as follows to a city which, on the effective
- 29 date of this section, has established a Third Class County
- 30 Convention Center under Article XXIII(o) of the act:

- 1 (1) The amendment shall not affect the term of a member 2 serving on the effective date of this section.
- 3 (2) The reduction of appointments from three to two shall apply as follows:
  - (i) Except as set otherwise set forth in this paragraph, to an office which is vacant on the effective date of this section.
    - (ii) If there is no vacancy under subparagraph (i), to an office of a member who, on the effective date of this section, is serving past the expiration date of the member's term until a successor is appointed.
- (iii) If there is no vacancy under subparagraph (i)

  and there is no office subject to subparagraph (ii), to

  the office of the first member whose term expires after

  the effective date of this section.
- Section 3 10. The amendment of section 2399.61(a)(2) of the act shall apply as follows to a county which, on the effective date of this section, has established a Third Class County

  Convention Center under Article XXIII(o) of the act:
- 20 (1) The amendment shall not affect the term of a member 21 serving on the effective date of this section.
- 22 (2) A member serving on the effective date of this 23 section shall complete the term to which the member is 24 appointed as follows:
- 25 (i) One term shall expire December 31, 2010.
- 26 (ii) One term shall expire December 31, 2012.
- 27 (iii) Two terms shall expire December 31, 2013.
- 28 (3) If a member serving on the effective date of this 29 section is unable to complete the term to which the member is 30 appointed in accordance with paragraph (2):

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1	(i) a replacement shall be appointed by the
2	appointing authority that made the original appointment;
3	and
4	(ii) the replacement appointed under subparagraph
5	(i) shall complete that term.
6	(4) The seven appointments made by the county council
7	under the amendment shall be as follows:
8	(i) Three initial appointments shall be made upon
9	the effective date of this section for the following
10	terms:
11	(A) One term shall expire December 31, 2010.
12	(B) Two terms shall expire December 31, 2011.
13	(ii) The remaining four initial appointments shall
14	be made to fill the vacancies resulting from the
15	expiration of the terms under paragraph (2).
16	(iii) Subsequent appointments shall be made under
17	section 2399.61(a)(2) of the act.
18	SECTION 11. A COUNTY MAY, AT ANY TIME AFTER THE EFFECTIVE $lacktriangle$
19	DATE OF THIS SECTION, OBTAIN REQUIRED SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE
20	WITH ARTICLE XV.2 OF THE ACT. A COUNTY SHALL HAVE IN PLACE
21	REQUIRED SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XV.2 OF THE ACT
22	PRIOR TO THE TIME THAT ANY ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIAL TAKES OFFICE
23	AFTER THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION NEXT FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE
24	OF THIS SECTION. BONDS AND INSURANCE, WHICH, ON THE EFFECTIVE
25	DATE OF THIS SECTION, COVER COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, SHALL
26	REMAIN IN FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL REQUIRED SECURITY IS PURCHASED.
27	Section $4$ 12. This act shall take effect immediately. $\leftarrow$