THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1042 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY STEFANO, FOLMER, WARD, RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ AND HAYWOOD, OCTOBER 23, 2015

REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 23, 2015

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, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, 3 revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating 4 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 7 providing for regional renaissance initiatives," in contracts, providing for voting by a county commissioner. 9 10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 11 hereby enacts as follows: 12 Section 1. The act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, is amended by adding a section to 13 14 read: 15 Section 1808. County Board or Authorities. -- (a) A county 16 commissioner may not vote on the appointment of a member of a board, authority or similar body established to improve the 17 18 economic development of the county if a member of the immediate family of the county commissioner is an executive level employee 19 20 of the board, authority or similar body or is employed by an entity that receives a grant, loan or contract from the board, 21

- 1 <u>authority or similar body.</u>
- 2 (b) A county commissioner under subsection (a) must refrain
- 3 from voting in accordance with 65 Pa.C.S. § 1103(j) (relating to
- 4 <u>restricted activities</u>).
- 5 (c) For purposes of this section, the following terms shall
- 6 have the meanings given to them in this subsection:
- 7 "Executive-level employee" shall be any employee of a board,
- 8 <u>authority or similar body established by the county</u>
- 9 commissioners with discretionary powers which may affect the
- 10 outcome of a decision in relation to a private corporation or
- 11 <u>business or any employee who by virtue of the employee's job</u>
- 12 function could influence the outcome of a decision.
- "Immediate family" shall include a parent, spouse, child,
- 14 brother or sister.
- 15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.