

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILLNo. **667** Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY STEFANO, MCGARRIGLE, ARGALL, GORDNER, KILLION,
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SENATOR MCGARRIGLE, URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, AS AMENDED,
MAY 24, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991, No.385), entitled "An
2 act to promote elimination of blighted areas and supply
3 sanitary housing in areas throughout the Commonwealth; by
4 declaring acquisition, sound replanning and redevelopment of
5 such areas to be for the promotion of health, safety,
6 convenience and welfare; creating public bodies corporate and
7 politic to be known as Redevelopment Authorities; authorizing
8 them to engage in the elimination of blighted areas and to
9 plan and contract with private, corporate or governmental
10 redevelopers for their redevelopment; providing for the
11 organization of such authorities; defining and providing for
12 the exercise of their powers and duties, including the
13 acquisition of property by purchase, gift or eminent domain;
14 the leasing and selling of property, including borrowing
15 money, issuing bonds and other obligations, and giving
16 security therefor; restricting the interest of members and
17 employes of authorities; providing for notice and hearing;
18 supplying certain mandatory provisions to be inserted in
19 contracts with redevelopers; prescribing the remedies of
20 obligees of redevelopment authorities; conferring certain
21 duties upon local planning commissions, the governing bodies
22 of cities and counties, and on certain State officers, boards
23 and departments," further providing for powers of an
24 authority.

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 Section 1. Section 9 of the act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991,
28 No.385), known as the Urban Redevelopment Law, is amended by

1 adding subsections to read:

2 Section 9. Powers of an Authority.--An Authority shall
3 constitute a public body, corporate and politic, exercising
4 public powers of the Commonwealth as an agency thereof, which
5 powers shall include all powers necessary or appropriate to
6 carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this
7 act, including the following powers in addition to those herein
8 otherwise granted:

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10 (cc) To accept the transfer of real property of the county
11 held by the tax claim bureau, as trustee for the county, in a
12 repository for unsold property under section 626 of the act of
13 July 7, 1947 (P.L.1368, No.542), known as the Real Estate Tax
14 Sale Law.

15 (DD) TO ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY OF A <--
16 MUNICIPALITY PURCHASED BY THE MUNICIPALITY UNDER SECTION 29 OF
17 THE ACT OF MAY 16, 1923 (P.L.207, NO.153), REFERRED TO AS THE
18 MUNICIPAL CLAIM AND TAX LIEN LAW.

19 (EE) TO ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY HELD BY A CITY
20 OF THE SECOND CLASS AS AGENT FOR TAXING BODIES HAVING CLAIMS
21 AGAINST THE PROPERTY UNDER SECTION 401 OF THE ACT OF OCTOBER 11,
22 1984 (P.L.876, NO.171), KNOWN AS THE SECOND CLASS CITY
23 TREASURER'S SALE AND COLLECTION ACT.

24 ~~(dd)~~ (FF) To accept donations of real property and <--
25 extinguish delinquent claims for taxes as to the real property
26 as specified under section 5.1 of the act of May 16, 1923
27 (P.L.207, No.153), referred to as the Municipal Claim and Tax
28 Lien Law, and section 303 of the Real Estate Tax Sale Law. For
29 the purposes of this subsection, an authority shall have all
30 rights and obligations of a municipality under section 5.1 of

1 the Municipal Claim and Tax Lien Law and a local taxing district
2 under section 303 of the Real Estate Tax Sale Law.

3 ~~(ee)~~ (GG) To accept the remittance or dedication of a <--
4 portion of real property taxes collected in accordance with the
5 laws of this Commonwealth on real property conveyed by an
6 authority if the remittance or dedication is authorized by the
7 taxing jurisdiction. An authority shall allocate tax revenues
8 collected under this subsection beginning in the first taxable
9 year after the date of conveyance and for five taxable years
10 thereafter. The tax revenue allocated under this subsection may
11 not exceed a maximum of 50% of the aggregate property tax
12 revenues generated by the real property. The remittance or
13 dedication of real property taxes shall include the real
14 property taxes of a school district if the school district
15 enters into an agreement with the authority for the remittance
16 or dedication.

17 Section 2. All acts or parts of acts are repealed insofar as
18 they are inconsistent with the addition of section 9(cc), (dd)
19 and ~~(ee)~~, (EE), (FF) AND (GG) of the act. <--

20 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.