

## AN ACT

1 Amending Titles 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) and 11  
2 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in  
3 taxation and finance, further providing for tax levy; and, in  
4 taxation, further providing for tax levies.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 1302(a) of Title 8 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:  
9 § 1302. Tax levy.

10 (a) Authority.--The council of the borough shall have power,  
11 by resolution for taxes levied at the same rate as or a rate  
12 lower than the previous fiscal year, and by ordinance if the tax  
13 rate increases from the previous fiscal year, to levy and  
14 collect annually a tax not exceeding 30 mills for general  
15 borough purposes, unless the council by majority action, upon  
16 due cause shown by resolution, petitions the court of common  
17 pleas, in which case the court may order a rate of not more than  
18 five mills additional to be levied and in addition any of the

1 following taxes:

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3 (11) For the purpose of supporting a local police  
4 department, not to exceed three mills, only following a  
5 favorable referendum on the matter held in accordance with  
6 the election laws of this Commonwealth.

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8 Section 2. Section 12531(a) of Title 11 is amended by adding  
9 a paragraph to read:

10 § 12531. Tax levies.

11 (a) Property tax.--Council may, by resolution for taxes  
12 levied at the same rate as or a rate lower than the previous  
13 fiscal year, and by ordinance if the tax rate increases from the  
14 previous fiscal year, levy and, in accordance with this part,  
15 provide for the collection of taxes on all property within the  
16 city that is made taxable for city purposes and subject to  
17 valuation and assessment by the county assessment office or the  
18 city, as provided in Subchapter A (relating to assessments of  
19 property for taxation), as follows:

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21 (6) An annual tax, not to exceed three mills, for the  
22 support of the city police department, only following a  
23 favorable referendum on the matter held in accordance with  
24 the election laws of this Commonwealth.

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