

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 912

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 17, 1981

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955, No.265), entitled, as
2 amended, "An act to promote public health, safety, morals,
3 and welfare by declaring the necessity of creating public
4 bodies, corporate and politic, to be known as housing
5 authorities to engage in slum clearance, and to undertake
6 projects, to provide dwelling accommodations for persons of
7 low income; providing for the organization of such housing
8 authorities; defining their powers and duties; providing for
9 the exercise of such powers, including the acquisition of
10 property by purchase, gift or eminent domain, the renting and
11 selling of property, and including borrowing money, issuing
12 bonds, and other obligations, and giving security therefor;
13 prescribing the remedies of obligees of housing authorities;
14 authorizing housing authorities to enter into agreements,
15 including agreements with the United States, the
16 Commonwealth, and political subdivisions and municipalities
17 thereof; defining the application of zoning, sanitary, and
18 building laws and regulations to projects built or maintained
19 by such housing authorities; exempting the property and
20 securities of such housing authorities from taxation; and
21 imposing duties and conferring powers upon the State Planning
22 Board, and certain other State officers and departments,"
23 providing certain additional powers to certain housing
24 authorities to contract for police services.

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

27 Section 1. Section 10, act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955,
28 No.265), known as the "Housing Authorities Law," is amended by

1 adding a clause to read:

2 Section 10. 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 purpose and provisions of this act,
7 including the following powers, in addition to others herein
8 granted:

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10 (gg) Except in cities of the first class, to contract for
11 the services of private police officers who shall have the same
12 rights, powers and duties as other peace officers in the
13 Commonwealth with respect to the property and enforcing order on
14 and adjacent to the grounds and buildings of the Authority:
15 Provided, That said police officers complete the same course of
16 instruction as is required for municipal police officers by the
17 act of June 18, 1974 (P.L.359, No.120), referred to as the
18 Municipal Police Education and Training Law.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.