

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 2235** Session of  
1984

INTRODUCED BY CLARK, SALOOM, DUFFY, DAWIDA, VAN HORNE AND OLASZ,  
JUNE 4, 1984

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, JUNE 4, 1984

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 12, 1972 (P.L.781, No.185), entitled,  
2 as amended, "An act providing debt limits for local  
3 government units, including municipalities and school  
4 districts; providing the methods of incurring, evidencing,  
5 securing and collecting debt; defining the powers and duties  
6 of the Department of Community Affairs and certain other  
7 public officers and agencies with respect thereto; exercising  
8 the inherent legislative authority of the General Assembly by  
9 providing additional over-all limitations on the incurring of  
10 lease rental and other obligations for the acquisition of  
11 capital assets to be repaid from the general tax revenues of  
12 such local government units; imposing penalties for filing  
13 false or untrue statements or refusing to give information  
14 with respect to proceedings for the incurring of debt; and  
15 conferring jurisdiction on the Commonwealth Court with  
16 respect to certain proceedings relating to the incurring of  
17 debt," requiring county district attorneys to act as bond  
18 counsel for general obligation debts of counties of the  
19 second class.

20 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
21 hereby enacts as follows:

22 Section 1. The act of July 12, 1972 (P.L.781, No.185), known  
23 as the Local Government Unit Debt Act, is amended by adding a  
24 section to read:

25 Section 611. Legal Services.--In counties of the second  
26 class, the district attorney shall perform legal services

1 involved in the issuance of general obligation bonds and notes  
2 of the county. The district attorney may contract with outside  
3 bond counsel for certain services when the services are  
4 necessary to protect the public interest.

5       Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.