

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 647 Session of
1989

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ANGSTADT, DeLUCA, GEIST, CIVERA, MERRY AND KUKOVICH,
MARCH 6, 1989

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 6, 1989

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 24, 1937 (P.L.2017, No.396), entitled
2 "An act creating in each county (except of the first class)
3 as a separate corporation, and in each city of the first and
4 second class as a part of the city government, an institution
5 district for the care and maintenance of certain indigent
6 persons and children; prescribing the powers and duties of
7 county commissioners, county treasurers, city departments of
8 public welfare, the State Department of Welfare and the State
9 Department of Public Assistance in respect thereto;
10 abolishing certain poor districts and terminating the terms
11 of directors, overseers, guardians and managers of the poor
12 and poor district auditors, and providing for the temporary
13 employment of certain of them; providing for the transfer,
14 vesting, sale and disposition of the property of poor
15 districts and the payment of their obligations; imposing
16 certain existing obligations on institution districts and on
17 the Commonwealth; regulating the affairs of poor districts
18 until abolished; revising, amending, changing and
19 consolidating the law relating to the care of the poor; and
20 repealing existing laws," increasing the allowable costs for
21 burial of certain persons.

22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
23 hereby enacts as follows:

24 Section 1. Section 403 of the act of June 24, 1937
25 (P.L.2017, No.396), known as the County Institution District

1 Law, amended December 22, 1965 (P.L.1162, No.455), is amended to
2 read:

3 Section 403. Provision for Burial of Dependents and Other
4 Persons.--Except as otherwise provided by law, the local
5 authorities of any institution district shall provide for the
6 burial of any person who dies in the county or city, unless his
7 body is claimed by a relative by blood or marriage, or by a
8 friend, or by his fraternal or veterans' organization, or by a
9 charitable organization or by the Anatomical Board of the State
10 of Pennsylvania, and is buried at the expense of such relative,
11 friend or organization. No such burial shall cost more than
12 [three hundred dollars] nine hundred dollars.

13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.