
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 667 Session of
1995

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, CORMAN, ROBBINS, STOUT AND STEWART,
MARCH 6, 1995

REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 6, 1995

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of February 1, 1966 (1965 P.L.1656, No.581),
2 entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending
3 and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," providing
4 for compensation of council and the mayor.

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

7 Section 1. Sections 1001 and 1025 of the act of February 1,
8 1966 (1965 P.L.1656, No.581), known as The Borough Code, amended
9 October 31, 1985 (P.L.292, No.67), are amended to read:

10 Section 1001. Organization of Council; Quorum; Compensation;
11 Eligibility.--The borough council shall organize on the first
12 Monday of January of each even-numbered year, by electing one of
13 their number as president and one of their number as vice-
14 president, who shall hold such offices at the pleasure of the
15 council. If the first Monday is a legal holiday, the meeting and
16 organization shall take place the first day following. Any
17 action taken by any borough council at any time between 12:01
18 o'clock ante meridian on January 1 of an even-numbered year and

1 the organization of council in that year shall be subject to
2 reconsideration by the new council at any time within ten days
3 after such organization. The council may at the organization
4 meeting elect such other officers as may be provided for by law
5 or ordinance, or as may be deemed necessary for the conduct of
6 affairs of the borough and may transact such other business as
7 may come before the meeting. The president, and during his
8 absence or incapacity the vice-president, shall preside over the
9 meetings of council and perform such other duties as are
10 prescribed by this act or by ordinance. A majority of the
11 membership of council then in office shall constitute a quorum.
12 Councilmen may receive compensation to be fixed by ordinance at
13 any time and from time to time as follows: In boroughs with a
14 population of less than five thousand, a maximum of [fifteen
15 hundred dollars (\$1500)] eighteen hundred seventy-five dollars
16 (\$1875) a year; in boroughs with a population of five thousand
17 or more but less than ten thousand, a maximum of [two thousand
18 dollars (\$2000)] two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500) a
19 year; in boroughs with a population of ten thousand or more but
20 less than fifteen thousand, a maximum of [twenty-six hundred
21 dollars (\$2600)] three thousand two hundred fifty dollars
22 (\$3250) a year; in boroughs with a population of fifteen
23 thousand or more but less than twenty-five thousand, a maximum
24 of [thirty-three hundred dollars (\$3300)] four thousand one
25 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$4125) a year; in boroughs with a
26 population of twenty-five thousand or more but less than thirty-
27 five thousand, a maximum of [thirty-five hundred dollars
28 (\$3500)] four thousand three hundred seventy-five dollars
29 (\$4375) a year; and in boroughs with a population of thirty-five
30 thousand or more, a maximum of [four thousand dollars (\$4000)]

1 five thousand dollars (\$5000) a year. Such salaries shall be
2 payable monthly or quarterly for the duties imposed by the
3 provisions of this act.

4 The population shall be determined by the latest available
5 official census figures. In no case shall the compensation for
6 any councilman exceed that of the mayor in any given borough:
7 Provided, however, That wherever the mayor's compensation
8 exceeds that authorized by this section for councilmen, the
9 president of council may receive compensation not to exceed that
10 of the office of mayor.

11 Section 1025. Salary of Mayor Limited.--The salary of the
12 mayor shall be established by ordinance and shall not exceed, in
13 boroughs with a population of less than five thousand, a maximum
14 of [two thousand dollars (\$2000)] two thousand five hundred
15 dollars (\$2500) a year; in boroughs with a population of five
16 thousand or more but less than ten thousand, a maximum of [four
17 thousand dollars (\$4000)] five thousand dollars (\$5000) a year;
18 in boroughs with a population of ten thousand or more but less
19 than fifteen thousand, a maximum of [six thousand dollars
20 (\$6000)] seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7500) a year. In
21 any borough with a population in excess of fifteen thousand, the
22 salary of the mayor shall not exceed [four hundred dollars
23 (\$400)] five hundred dollars (\$500) per annum per thousand
24 population or fraction thereof, the population to be determined
25 by the latest official census figures. Such salaries shall be
26 payable monthly or quarterly for the duties imposed by the
27 provisions of this act.

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