

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 167 Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY SATHER, TIGUE, STERN, HESS, GEIST, ARGALL, BAKER, BASTIAN, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, CAPPELLI, COY, FAIRCHILD, FICHTER, FLICK, FORCIER, GEORGE, GOODMAN, HALUSKA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HORSEY, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KELLER, LAUGHLIN, LEVDANSKY, MACKERETH, MARSICO, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MELIO, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, NAILOR, NICKOL, O'NEILL, PETRARCA, PETRONE, READSHAW, ROBERTS, SAINATO, SCAVELLO, SHANER, SOLOBAY, TANGRETTI, THOMAS, TRAVAGLIO, WANSACZ, WASHINGTON, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD AND YUDICHAK, FEBRUARY 10, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FEBRUARY 10, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 18, 1984 (P.L.1005, No.205),  
 2 entitled "An act mandating actuarial funding standards for  
 3 all municipal pension systems; establishing a recovery  
 4 program for municipal pension systems determined to be  
 5 financially distressed; providing for the distribution of the  
 6 tax on the premiums of foreign fire insurance companies; and  
 7 making repeals," further providing for the distribution  
 8 formula of the foreign fire insurance tax.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
 10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Section 704 of the act of December 18, 1984  
 12 (P.L.1005, No.205), known as the Municipal Pension Plan Funding  
 13 Standard and Recovery Act, is amended to read:

14 Section 704. Distribution formula.

15 (a) General rule.--Except as provided in subsection (b) and  
 16 section 705, the amount to be paid to each municipality shall be  
 17 determined as follows:

1           (1) fifty percent of the fund shall be distributed based  
2           on the population of each municipality in proportion to the  
3           population of the entire Commonwealth, based upon the latest  
4           national population census as reported by the United States  
5           Bureau of Census; and

6           (2) fifty percent of the fund shall be distributed based  
7           on the market value of real estate of each municipality in  
8           proportion to the market value of real estate for the entire  
9           Commonwealth, based upon the most recent statistics from the  
10          State Tax Equalization Board.

11          (b) Minimum distribution.-Each municipality shall receive  
12          the minimum sum of \$5,000.

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