THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), entitled, 1 2 as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class 3 and second class A; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further providing for 5 employees eligible for retirement allowances. 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 7 hereby enacts as follows: 8 Section 1. Section 1710(b) of the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, amended June 18, 1998 (P.L.693, No.89), is amended to read: 10 11 Section 1710. Employes Eligible for Retirement Allowances .--12 (b) Every present or future county employe, other than a 13 14 member of the police force or the fire department or a fire 15 inspector or a sheriff or deputy sheriff, who has reached the 16 age of sixty years or upwards and who has to his or her credit a 17 period of service of twenty years or more, and every county 18 employe who is a member of the police force or the fire

department or a fire inspector, and who shall have been a county

- 1 employe during a period of twenty or more years and has reached
- 2 the age of fifty years or upwards shall, upon application to the
- 3 board, be eligible for retirement from service, and shall
- 4 thereafter receive, during life, except as hereinafter provided,
- 5 a retirement allowance plus a service increment if any, in
- 6 accordance with the provisions of section 1712. Every county
- 7 officer or employe who is a sheriff, deputy sheriff, prison
- 8 guard, corrections officer at a county juvenile detention
- 9 <u>facility</u> or probation officer who shall have been a county
- 10 officer or employe during a period of twenty or more years and
- 11 has reached the age of fifty-five years or upward, shall, upon
- 12 application to the board, be eligible for retirement from
- 13 service and shall thereafter receive, during life, except as
- 14 hereafter provided, a retirement allowance in accordance with
- 15 section 1712. The time spent in the employ of the county or
- 16 county institution district need not necessarily have been
- 17 continuous: Provided, That when any county employe has twenty or
- 18 more years service, not necessarily continuous, and has not
- 19 reached the age of sixty years or upwards, and shall be
- 20 separated from the service of the county or county institution
- 21 district by reason of no cause or act of his or her own, upon
- 22 application to the board he or she shall thereafter receive,
- 23 during life, except as hereinafter provided, a retirement
- 24 allowance plus a service increment if any, in accordance with
- 25 the provisions of section 1713. The aforesaid retirement
- 26 allowance plus a service increment if any, shall be subject to a
- 27 suspension thereof in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 subsection (h) of this section 1710 and subsection (c) of
- 29 section 1712.
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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.