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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1369** Session of  
2008

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INTRODUCED BY ROBBINS, ERICKSON, REGOLA, STOUT AND WOZNIAK,  
APRIL 11, 2008

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REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 11, 2008

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 14, 1963 (P.L.839, No.407), entitled,  
2 as amended, "An act creating a county records committee;  
3 imposing powers and duties upon it; authorizing the  
4 Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to assist and  
5 cooperate with it; defining county records; and authorizing  
6 the disposition of certain county records by county officers  
7 in counties of the second to eighth class," increasing the  
8 membership of the committee.

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

11 Section 1. Section 1 of the act of August 14, 1963 (P.L.839,  
12 No.407), entitled, as amended, "An act creating a county records  
13 committee; imposing powers and duties upon it; authorizing the  
14 Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to assist and  
15 cooperate with it; defining county records; and authorizing the  
16 disposition of certain county records by county officers in  
17 counties of the second to eighth class," amended February 18,  
18 1998 (P.L.181, No.29), is amended to read:

19 Section 1. There is hereby created a county records  
20 committee which shall consist of [fifteen] sixteen members who

1 shall be appointed by the Governor for a term of four years. One  
2 member of the committee shall be the Chief Justice of the  
3 Pennsylvania Supreme Court, or his judicial representative, one  
4 a representative of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum  
5 Commission, one an attorney, one a prothonotary, one a clerk of  
6 courts, one a county commissioner, one a county controller or  
7 auditor, one a district attorney, one a county treasurer, one a  
8 sheriff, one a register of wills, one a recorder of deeds, one a  
9 clerk of orphans' court, one a jury commissioner, one a coroner,  
10 and the other a member of the general public. The committee  
11 shall select one of its members to serve as chairman. Within the  
12 means at its command, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum  
13 Commission shall assist and cooperate with the county records  
14 committee by providing for its necessary expenses, by providing  
15 for examining and inventorying county records for the  
16 preparation of schedules, and by enforcing such schedules and  
17 procedures as the county records committee may make or revise  
18 under the provisions of this act.

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