

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY WHITE, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, MURT AND SWANGER,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 12, 2010

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further
3 providing for governing body.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5610(d) and (e) of Title 53 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:
8 § 5610. Governing body.

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10 (d) Successor.--Members shall hold office until their
11 successors have been appointed and may succeed themselves and,
12 except members of the boards of authorities organized or created
13 by a school district, shall receive such [salaries] monthly
14 stipends and reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses
15 incurred in the performance of their official duties as may be
16 determined by the governing body of the municipality, but no
17 [salaries] stipend shall be increased or diminished by a
18 governing body during the term for which the member shall have

1 been appointed. Members of the board of any authority organized
2 or created by a school district shall receive no compensation
3 for their services. A member may be removed for cause by the
4 court of common pleas of the county in which the authority is
5 located after having been provided with a copy of the charges
6 against him for at least ten days and after having been provided
7 a full hearing by the court. If a vacancy shall occur by reason
8 of the death, disqualification, resignation or removal of a
9 member, the municipal authorities shall appoint a successor to
10 fill his unexpired term. In joint authorities such vacancies
11 shall be filled by the municipal authorities of the municipality
12 in the representation of which the vacancy occurs. If any
13 municipality withdraws from a joint authority, the term of any
14 member appointed from the municipality shall immediately
15 terminate.

16 (e) Quorum.--A majority of the members shall constitute a
17 quorum of the board for the purpose of organizing and conducting
18 the business of the authority and for all other purposes, and
19 all action may be taken by vote of a majority of the members
20 present unless the bylaws shall require a larger number. The
21 board shall have full authority to manage the properties and
22 business of the authority and to prescribe, amend and repeal
23 bylaws, rules and regulations governing the manner in which the
24 business of the authority may be conducted and the powers
25 granted to it may be exercised and embodied. The board shall fix
26 and determine the number of officers, agents and employees of
27 the authority and their respective powers, duties and
28 compensation and may appoint to such office or offices any
29 member of the board with such powers, duties and compensation as
30 the board may deem proper. No member of the board who is

1 appointed by the board to any office shall be entitled to
2 receive any compensation or other remuneration for the
3 performance of the duties of that office, except for the stipend
4 and reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses authorized under
5 subsection (d). The treasurer of the board of any authority
6 organized or created by a school district shall give bond in
7 such sums as may be fixed by the bylaws, which bond shall be
8 subject to the approval of the board and the premiums for which
9 shall be paid by the authority.

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