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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 894 Session of  
2011

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INTRODUCED BY ROBBINS, BROWNE, ERICKSON, TARTAGLIONE, WARD,  
WOZNIAK AND YAW, MARCH 25, 2011

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REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 25, 2011

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), entitled, as  
2 reenacted and amended, "An act concerning townships of the  
3 second class; and amending, revising, consolidating and  
4 changing the law relating thereto," further providing for  
5 compensation of supervisors.

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

8 Section 1. Section 606(c) of the act of May 1, 1933  
9 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code,  
10 reenacted and amended November 9, 1995 (P.L.350, No.60), is  
11 amended to read:

12 Section 606. Compensation of Supervisors.--\* \* \*

13 (c) In addition to the compensation authorized under this  
14 section, supervisors while in office or while in the employ of  
15 the township may be eligible for inclusion in township-paid  
16 insurance plans, as follows:

17 (1) Supervisors, whether or not they are employed by the  
18 township, and their dependents are eligible for inclusion in  
19 group life, health, hospitalization, medical service and

1 accident insurance plans paid in whole or in part by the  
2 township. Supervisors and their dependents who are over sixty-  
3 five years of age are eligible for inclusion in supplemental  
4 Medicare insurance coverage paid in whole or in part by the  
5 township. Their inclusion in those plans does not require  
6 auditor approval, but does require submission of a letter  
7 requesting participation at a regularly scheduled meeting of the  
8 board of supervisors before commencing participation. The  
9 insurance shall be uniformly applicable to those covered and  
10 shall not give eligibility preference to or improperly  
11 discriminate in favor of supervisors. No policy of group life  
12 insurance shall contain any provision for a cash surrender  
13 value, loan value or any other benefit beyond the face amount of  
14 insurance. The policy may contain a provision that when the  
15 insurance ceases because of termination of employment or term of  
16 office, the person is entitled to have issued to him by the  
17 insurer, without evidence of insurability, an individual policy  
18 of insurance on any form customarily issued by the insurer at  
19 the age and for the amount applied for if the amount is not in  
20 excess of the amount of life insurance which ceases because of  
21 the termination and the application for the individual policy is  
22 made and first premium is paid to the insurer within thirty-one  
23 days after termination.

24 (2) Any life, health, hospitalization, medical service or  
25 accident insurance coverage contract made by a township between  
26 January 1, 1959, and March 31, 1985, that includes or provides  
27 coverage for supervisors not employed by the township is not  
28 void or unlawful because inclusion of those supervisors was  
29 subsequently found to be without lawful authority. No penalty,  
30 assessment, surcharge, forfeiture or disciplinary action may

1 occur as a result of participation by those supervisors.  
2 Insurance benefits paid or payable to insureds or their  
3 beneficiaries arising out of or on account of deaths, injuries,  
4 accidents or illnesses occurring before March 30, 1988, are the  
5 property of the insureds or their beneficiaries.

6 (3) All payments made by a township on any group life,  
7 health, hospitalization, medical service or accident insurance  
8 coverage contracts on behalf of supervisors who were not  
9 employes between January 1, 1959, and March 31, 1985, which  
10 would have been proper but for the absence of auditor approval  
11 are hereby approved. Any benefits payable to any supervisor or  
12 his beneficiaries on account of those payments during that time  
13 shall continue.

14 (4) The township may deduct from any compensation payable to  
15 a supervisor such part of any insurance premium or charge which  
16 is payable by the supervisor within the terms of the particular  
17 township's insurance plan.

18 (5) The township may pay the cost, in whole or in part, of  
19 supplemental Medicare insurance coverage for supervisors and  
20 employes who are over sixty-five years of age.

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