

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO LAW AND JUSTICE, MARCH 6, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
 2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
 3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
 4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
 5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
 6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
 7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
 8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
 10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
 11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
 12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
 13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
 14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
 15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
 16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
 17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
 18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
 19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
 20 commissions shall be determined," in powers and duties of the
 21 Governor and other constitutional officers, of the Executive
 22 Board and of the Pennsylvania State Police, providing for
 23 contracting for State trooper services.

24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 25 hereby enacts as follows:

26 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
 27 as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding a
 28 section to read:

1 Section 714. State Trooper Services Contractual Program.--

2 (a) A municipality or adjacent municipalities that, on the
3 effective date of this section, do not have an organized police
4 force may enter into an agreement with the Pennsylvania State
5 Police for State trooper service. The municipality or
6 municipalities must agree to pay for the State trooper service.

7 (b) In order to implement this section the Commissioner of
8 Pennsylvania State Police may enter into agreements with
9 boroughs and townships for the furnishing of police protection
10 by one or more State troopers on a contractual basis at agreed
11 upon hours and locations. The contract price for the services
12 shall include only the labor and benefit costs of providing
13 police protection, however at not less than \$65 per hour per
14 trooper. Money paid for the police services shall be credited to
15 a restricted account and used for the express purpose of
16 financing the services for which the contract price was paid.
17 For every 2,000 hours annually contracted one full-time trooper
18 would not be counted in determining the total number of officers
19 and enlisted members in the Pennsylvania State Police.

20 (c) The Pennsylvania State Police shall promulgate rules and
21 regulations as may be necessary to implement this program and
22 the contractual agreements authorized by this section. The rules
23 and regulations shall:

24 (1) Require that as a prerequisite to contracting for the
25 services of a State trooper, a municipality or municipalities
26 shall adopt a resolution or ordinance authorizing the
27 contractual arrangement with the Pennsylvania State Police for
28 the payment by the municipality or municipalities of the costs
29 set pursuant to this section incurred in connection with the
30 provision of these services.

1 (2) Require State troopers to remain under the direct
2 control of the Pennsylvania State Police with supervision to be
3 provided by the commanding officer of the field installation
4 having jurisdiction over the municipality or municipalities
5 contracting for the State trooper services.

6 (3) Require that all organizational orders, regulations and
7 directives by the Pennsylvania State Police apply with full
8 force to the assigned State troopers.

9 (4) Require that the commander of the field installation
10 shall not remove a State trooper assigned pursuant to this
11 contractual program from his area of jurisdiction during
12 assigned hours except in cases of emergency, in which case the
13 governing body of the contracting municipality or municipalities
14 shall be notified.

15 (5) Require State troopers to enforce 75 Pa.C.S. (relating
16 to vehicles), criminal laws of this Commonwealth and local
17 ordinances relating to public safety pursuant to the agreement
18 with the municipality or municipalities.

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