
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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LONGIETTI AND LEE, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 19, 1995 (P.L.33, No.3), entitled "An
2 act limiting environmental liability for economic development
3 agencies, financiers and fiduciaries," further providing for
4 definitions.

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

7 Section 1. The definition of "economic development agencies"
8 in section 3 of the act of May 19, 1995 (P.L.33, No.3), known as
9 the Economic Development Agency, Fiduciary and Lender
10 Environmental Liability Protection Act, is amended to read:

11 Section 3. Definitions.

12 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
13 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
14 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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16 "Economic development [agencies] agency." The term includes:

17 (1) Any redevelopment authority created under the act of
18 May 24, 1945 (P.L.991, No.385), known as the Urban
19 Redevelopment Law, and any nonprofit corporation created and

1 controlled by a redevelopment authority to carry out its
2 statutory purpose.

3 (2) Any industrial development agency as that term is
4 defined in the act of May 17, 1956 (1955 P.L.1609, No.537),
5 known as the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority
6 Act.

7 (3) Any industrial and commercial development authority
8 created under the act of August 23, 1967 (P.L.251, No.102),
9 known as the Economic Development Financing Law.

10 (4) Any area loan organization as that term is defined
11 in the act of July 2, 1984 (P.L.545, No.109), known as the
12 Capital Loan Fund Act.

13 (5) Any other Commonwealth or municipal authority which
14 acquires title or an interest in property.

15 (6) [Municipalities] Any municipality or municipal
16 industrial development or community development [departments]
17 department organized by ordinance under a home rule charter
18 which [buy] buys and [sell] sells land for community
19 development purposes.

20 (7) [Tourist] Any tourist promotion [agencies] agency or
21 [their] its local community-based nonprofit sponsor which
22 [engage] engages in the acquisition of former industrial
23 sites as part of an "Industrial Heritage" or similar program.

24 (8) [Conservancies] Any conservancy engaged in the
25 renewal or reclamation of an industrial site.

26 (9) Any land bank established under 68 Pa.C.S. Ch. 21
27 (relating to land banks).

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