
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2334 Session of
2020

INTRODUCED BY A. DAVIS, READSHAW, HILL-EVANS, KORTZ, YOUNGBLOOD
AND DEASY, MARCH 10, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 10, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to home
3 rule and optional plan government, further providing for
4 limitation on municipal powers.

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

7 Section 1. Section 2962(a)(1) of Title 53 of the
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 2962. Limitation on municipal powers.

10 (a) Powers granted by statute.--With respect to the
11 following subjects, the home rule charter shall not give any
12 power or authority to the municipality contrary to or in
13 limitation or enlargement of powers granted by statutes which
14 are applicable to a class or classes of municipalities:

15 (1) [The] Except as provided in this paragraph, the
16 filing and collection of municipal tax claims or liens and
17 the sale of real or personal property in satisfaction of
18 them. A city of the third class that has adopted a home rule
19 charter and is located in a county of the second class may,

1 by ordinance, provide alternative procedures for the
2 collection of a municipal tax claim or lien and the sale of
3 real property in satisfaction of the claim or lien in any
4 manner consistent with the Constitution of Pennsylvania and
5 not prohibited by the home rule charter of the city of the
6 third class. No ordinance adopted under this paragraph shall
7 be effective until approved by resolution of all taxing
8 districts, as defined in section 8802 (relating to
9 definitions), levying property taxes within the city of the
10 third class other than the city of the third class that
11 enacted the ordinance. Upon the effective date of the
12 ordinance, the city of the third class shall not be subject
13 to any duties under those laws applicable to a city of the
14 third class for the filing and collection of a municipal tax
15 claim or lien and the sale of real property in satisfaction
16 of the claim or lien.

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