
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 486 Session of
2019

INTRODUCED BY LAUGHLIN, COSTA, DiSANTO AND BLAKE, MARCH 28, 2019

REFERRED TO LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MARCH 28, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), entitled
2 "An act establishing a uniform construction code; imposing
3 powers and duties on municipalities and the Department of
4 Labor and Industry; providing for enforcement; imposing
5 penalties; and making repeals," in adoption and enforcement
6 by municipalities, further providing for administration and
7 enforcement.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. Section 501(b) of the act of November 10, 1999
11 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code
12 Act, is amended to read:

13 Section 501. Administration and enforcement.

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15 (b) Municipal administration and enforcement.--This act may
16 be administered and enforced by municipalities in any of the
17 following ways:

18 (1) By the designation of an employee to serve as the
19 municipal code official to act on behalf of the municipality
20 for administration and enforcement of this act.

21 (2) By the retention of [one] three or more construction

1 code officials or third-party agencies to act on behalf of
2 the municipality for administration and enforcement of this
3 act.

4 (3) Two or more municipalities may provide for the joint
5 administration and enforcement of this act through an
6 intermunicipal agreement under 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 23 Subch. A
7 (relating to intergovernmental cooperation).

8 (4) By entering into a contract with the proper
9 authorities of another municipality for the administration
10 and enforcement of this act. When such a contract has been
11 entered into, the municipal code official shall have all the
12 powers and authority conferred by law in the municipality
13 which has contracted to secure such services.

14 (5) By entering into an agreement with the department
15 for plan reviews, inspections and enforcement of structures
16 other than one-family or two-family dwelling units and
17 utility and miscellaneous use structures.

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19 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2020.