## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1739 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY RADER AND FLOOD, OCTOBER 3, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 3, 2023

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), entitled
  "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending,
  revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating
  thereto," in finance and taxation, further providing for tax
  levies.

  The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
  hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 1709(a) of the act of June 24, 1931
- 9 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, is
- 10 amended by adding a clause to read:
- 11 Section 1709. Tax Levies. -- (a) The board of commissioners
- 12 may levy taxes by resolution for taxes levied at the same rate
- 13 as or a rate lower than the previous fiscal year, and by
- 14 ordinance if the tax rate increases from the previous fiscal
- 15 year, upon all property and upon all occupations within the
- 16 township made taxable for township purposes and subject to
- 17 valuation and assessment by the county assessment office, for
- 18 the following purposes and at the following rates:
- 19 \* \* \*
- 20 (10) An annual tax, not to exceed three mills, for the

- 1 support of the township's police department, only following a
- 2 <u>favorable referendum on the matter held in accordance with the</u>
- 3 <u>election laws of this Commonwealth.</u>
- 4 \* \* \*
- 5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.