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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

No. **429** Session of  
1961

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. STEVENSON, LANE, HAYS AND  
MALLERY, MARCH 20, 1961.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT,  
MARCH 20, 1961.

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**AN ACT**

Amending the act of June 4 1943 (P L 886) entitled as amended "An act creating a Municipal Employees' Retirement System for the payment of retirement allowances to officers and employes of political subdivisions and municipal authorities and of institutions supported and maintained by political subdivisions and providing for the administration of the same by a board composed of certain state officers and others appointed by the Governor imposing certain duties on the State Employees Retirement Board

Explanations—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter striking through is to be omitted from bill.  
Underlining indicates new matter added to existing law. (Brackets) indicate matter omitted from existing law.

and the actuary thereof providing the procedure whereby political subdivisions and municipal authorities may join such system and imposing certain liabilities and obligations on such political subdivisions and municipal authorities in connection therewith and as to certain existing retirement and pension systems and upon officers and employes of such political subdivisions institutions supported and maintained by political subdivisions and upon municipal authorities providing certain exemptions from taxation execution attachment levy and sale and making an appropriation" reducing the number of employes necessary for the Municipal Employees' Retirement Board to be constituted

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

hereby enacts as follows

1 Section 1 Section 8 act of June 4 1943 (P L 880) known as the  
2 'Municipal Employees' Retirement Law' amended June 5 1947 (P L  
3 434) is amended to read

4 Section 8 Procedure to Setup of Municipal Employees' Retirement  
5 System Municipalities Joining Thereafter Right to Withdraw Denied  
6 When municipalities having an aggregate of [at least two hundred and  
7 fifty] one hundred and fifty or more eligible municipal employes have

1 by ordinance or resolution elected to join the Municipal Employees' Re-  
2 tirement System the State Employees' Retirement Board shall so notify  
3 the Governor and the Municipal Employees' Retirement Board created  
4 by this act shall be forthwith constituted

5 The board shall fix a time when the Municipal Employees' Retire-  
6 ment System shall become effective and shall advise the joining munici-  
7 palities of the manner and times in which the payments by the munici-  
8 palities on their respective accounts and on account of member's pay-  
9 roll deductions shall be made and other details of the system shall be  
10 carried out It shall also work out all details in respect to the transfer  
11 of existing local retirement and pension funds in accordance with this  
12 act

13 The date so fixed for the retirement system to become effective shall  
14 be deemed to be the date when the municipalities have joined the system

15 After the system has been established any other municipality may  
16 at any time elect to join the system in the manner provided by this act  
17 and in such cases the board shall fix a time when the system shall be-  
18 come effective as to such municipality which shall be deemed the date  
19 when it joined the system

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1 No municipality after it has joined the retirement system shall be  
2 permitted to withdraw therefrom and in case of failure to make pay-  
3 ments as required by this act the board may recover any sums due to  
4 the fund by suit at law or other appropriate remedy

5 Section 2 This act shall take effect immediately

We certify that this bill has passed the Senate and the House of  
Representatives.

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Chief Clerk, Senate

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President pro tempore, Senate

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Speaker, House of Representatives

Approved The ..... day of ..... A. D. 1961.

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Governor