No. 19

AN ACT

SB 135

Amending the act of May 21, 1943 (P. L. 340), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering municipality authorities, cities of the third class, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships, adjoining each other, and counties other than counties of the first and second class, to co-operate with each other and with adjoining local governmental units in other states through joint agreements in the exercise of their governmental powers, duties and functions," extending the act to non-adjoining counties, cities, municipal authorities, boroughs, towns and townships and to local government units in other states.

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

Section 1. The title and section 2, act of May 21, 1943 (P. L. 340), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering municipality authorities, cities of the third class, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships, adjoining each other, and counties other than counties of the first and second class, to co-operate with each other and with adjoining local governmental units in other states through joint agreements in the exercise of their governmental powers, duties and functions," reenacted and amended September 14, 1961 (P. L. 1297), are amended to read:

AN ACT

Empowering municipality authorities, cities of the third class, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships, [adjoining each other,] and counties other than counties of the first and second class, to co-operate with each other and with [adjoining] local governmental units in other states through joint agreements in the exercise of their governmental powers, duties and functions.

Section 2. Two or more [adjoining] municipalities in this Commonwealth or any such municipality and the county in which it is located may jointly co-operate, or any such municipality or [adjoining] municipalities may jointly co-operate with any [adjoining] municipality or municipalities located in any other state, in the exercise and in the performance of their respective governmental powers, duties and functions and in carrying into effect provisions of law relating to subjects which are common to all such joining municipalities, and which each may, under existing law, separately exercise and perform. Municipal services and functions which may be separately exercised and performed under such existing provisions of law may be supplied or exchanged by municipalities under the joint agreements. For the purpose of carrying the provisions of this act into effect the municipalities joining shall enter

into such joint agreements as may be deemed appropriate for such purposes.

Section 2. Section 2.2 of the act, added September 14, 1961 (P. L. 1297), is amended to read:

- Section 2.2. (a) The taxing body of any municipality in this Commonwealth, by resolution, upon its own volition or upon invitation of any other municipality expressed by resolution of its taxing body, may appoint a committee of from one to three members to meet with similar committees of other municipalities and discuss the possibility of jointly cooperating in the exercise of certain specified powers or in the performance of certain specified activities or functions. Each such committee shall have power to enter into joint agreements on behalf of its municipality with any one or more [adjoining] municipalities in this Commonwealth or any other state. Such agreements shall have no validity unless later adopted, by ordinance or resolution, as hereinafter provided.
- (b) The procedure outlined in this section for instituting proceedings for possible cooperative agreements is not exclusive and shall not in any manner restrict municipalities or persons from employing other methods in attempting to secure joint cooperative agreements under this act.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED-The 27th day of April, A. D. 1965.

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No. 20

AN ACT

SB 268

Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103), entitled "An act concerning townships of the second class; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further regulating the compensation of township secretaries and treasurers.

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

Section 1. Section 540, act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103), known as "The Second Class Township Code," reenacted and amended July 10, 1947 (P. L. 1481) and amended June 6, 1963 (P. L. 69), is amended to read:

Section 540. Duties and Compensation.—The secretary in each township shall be clerk to the board of supervisors. He shall keep a record of