
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. **185** Session of
1961

INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. STEVENSON, LANE, MALLERY,
HAYS AND HALUSKA, FEBRUARY 8, 1961.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
FEBRUARY 8, 1961.

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 4 1927 (P L 519) entitled "An act concerning boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs" providing for a vice-president of council and specifying certain duties of the president and vice-president of council

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

EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter ~~stricken through~~ is to be omitted from bill. Underscoring indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1 Section 1 Section 1001 act of May 4 1927 (P L 519) known as
2 "The Borough Code" reenacted and amended July 10 1947 (P L 1621)
3 amended March 26 1957 (P L 24) and June 20 1957 (P L 351) is
4 amended to read

5 Section 1001 Organization of Council Quorum Compensation Eligi-
6 bility The borough council shall organize at eight o'clock post meridian
7 on the first Monday of January of each even-numbered year by electing
8 [a] one of their number as president [which shall constitute the or-
9 ganization of council] and one of their number as vice-president who
10 as long as they continue to be councilmen shall hold office until their
11 successors are elected and qualified If the first Monday is a legal holi-
12 day the meeting and organization shall take place the first day following
13 at the hour herein prescribed The council may at the organization
14 meeting elect such other officers as may be provided for by law or
15 ordinance or as may be deemed necessary for the conduct of affairs
16 of the borough The president and during his absence or incapacity the
17 vice-president shall preside over the meetings of council and [when
18 absent his place shall be filled by a president pro tempore] perform
19 such other duties as are prescribed by this act or by ordinance A
20 majority of the entire membership of council shall constitute a quorum

1 The councilmen may receive compensation to be fixed by ordinance at
2 any time and from time to time as follows In boroughs whose popula-
3 tion is seven hundred fifty (750) or less a maximum of five dollars (\$5)
4 a month in boroughs whose population is more than seven hundred
5 fifty (750) and not more than fifteen hundred (1500) a maximum of
6 ten dollars (\$10) a month in boroughs whose population is more than
7 fifteen hundred (1500) and not more than twenty-five hundred (2500)
8 a maximum of fifteen dollars (\$15) a month in boroughs whose popula-
9 tion is more than twenty-five hundred (2500) and not more than
10 five thousand (5000) a maximum of twenty dollars (\$20) a month in
11 boroughs whose population is more than five thousand (5000) and not
12 more than ten thousand (10,000) a maximum of fifty dollars (\$50) a
13 month and in boroughs whose population is more than ten thousand
14 (10,000) a maximum of one hundred dollars (\$100) a month

15 The population shall be determined by the latest United States de-
16 cennial census or by two and one-half ($2\frac{1}{2}$) times the number of regis-
17 tered voters in the borough No compensation shall be paid in any
18 month to a councilman who has failed to attend at least one regular
19 meeting of council during the month A school director shall not be
20 eligible to the office of member of council

1 Section 2 Section 1030 of the act amended July 19 1951 (P L 1026)

2 is amended to read

3 Section 1030 When President or Vice-President of Council to Act

4 as Burgess Whenever the burgess is absent or incapacitated the duties

5 of his office shall be discharged by the president of council or in the

6 absence or incapacity of the president of council by the vice-president

7 of council While discharging the duties of the burgess the president

8 or vice-president of council shall be entitled to the same salary or fees

9 as the burgess would receive and during the time such salary is paid to

10 the president or vice-president of council as acting burgess the burgess

11 shall not be paid compensation The president or vice-president of council

12 when acting as burgess shall have no power to veto any proposed ordi-

13 nance or to break a tie but shall have power to vote as councilman

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