

No. 1978-307

## AN ACT

HB 2124

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class and second class A; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further providing for the filling of vacancies on the police force.

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

Section 1. The act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the "Second Class County Code," is amended by adding a section to read:

**Section 1515.2. Limited Filling of Fifteen Vacancies on the Police Force.—In counties of the second class for a period of one year from the effective date of this section, county commissioners may fill fifteen vacancies in the police force as prescribed in this section. The county commissioners may nominate persons to the commission for a noncompetitive examination. It shall then become the duty of the commission to submit such persons to an examination to determine their merit and fitness to discharge the duties of police officers. Such persons who qualify shall be so certified by the commission and may then be appointed by the county commissioners. In order to qualify for such appointment, such persons must be at least eighteen years of age or older. Such persons need not be residents of the county. Persons appointed under this section shall thereafter be subject to the provisions of this article relating to members of the police force.**

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of November, A. D. 1978.

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