
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1956 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY HARPER AND FREEMAN, APRIL 6, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 6, 2016

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in public improvements, utilities and
3 services, providing for public notice and public meeting
4 requirements.

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

7 Section 1. Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a chapter to read:

9 CHAPTER 52

10 GENERAL PROVISIONS

11 Subchapter

12 A. Reserved

13 B. Public Notices and Public Meetings

14 SUBCHAPTER A

15 (RESERVED)

16 SUBCHAPTER B

17 PUBLIC NOTICES AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

18 Sec.

19 § 5211. Definitions.

1 § 5212. Sale or lease of water or sewer system.

2 § 5211. Definitions.

3 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter
4 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
5 context clearly indicates otherwise:

6 "Municipal corporation." A city, county, borough, township,
7 incorporated town or municipal authority.

8 "Public notice." Notice published once each week for two
9 successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation.

10 § 5212. Sale or lease of water or sewer system.

11 In addition to the provisions of 65 Pa.C.S. Ch. 7 (relating
12 to open meetings), prior to entering into an agreement to sell
13 or lease a water or sewer system owned or operated by a
14 municipal corporation, the municipal corporation shall hold at
15 least one advertised public meeting and shall provide public
16 notice of the meeting in all municipalities served by the water
17 or sewer system.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.