THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 16, 2022

AN ACT

- Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in employees, providing for temporary police assistance in cities.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Chapter 21 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subchapter to read:
- 8 SUBCHAPTER F
- 9 TEMPORARY POLICE ASSISTANCE IN CITIES
- 10 Sec.
- 11 2191. Definitions.
- 12 2192. Retired police officer program.
- 13 <u>§ 2191. Definitions.</u>
- 14 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter
- 15 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 16 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 17 "City." A city of the first class.
- 18 "Police department." A public agency of a city having

- 1 general police powers and charged with making arrests in
- 2 connection with the enforcement of the criminal or traffic laws.
- 3 <u>"Police officer." A full-time or part-time employee assigned</u>
- 4 to criminal or traffic law enforcement duties of a police
- 5 <u>department of a city.</u>
- 6 <u>"Program." A retired police officer program established by a</u>
- 7 police department of a city under section 2192(a) (relating to
- 8 <u>retired police officer program).</u>
- 9 § 2192. Retired police officer program.
- 10 (a) Establishment.--A police department may establish a
- 11 program for retired police officers to return to work for the
- 12 police department for a period of not more than one year.
- 13 (b) Standards. -- For a retired police officer to return to
- 14 work for a police department under a program, the retired police
- 15 <u>officer:</u>
- 16 (1) May not have any record of unacceptable behavior or
- 17 disciplinary action as an active police officer.
- 18 (2) Shall complete the training established under
- 19 <u>subsection (c).</u>
- 20 (c) Training. -- Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
- 21 the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission
- 22 shall establish an eight-week training program for retired
- 23 police officers returning to work for a police department under
- 24 <u>a program.</u>
- 25 (d) Benefit implications. -- Notwithstanding any other
- 26 provision of law, a retired police officer's participation in a
- 27 program shall not affect any benefits received from a municipal
- 28 <u>retirement system.</u>
- 29 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.