

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 860 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY D. WILLIAMS, BRENNAN, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, CIRESI, DELLOSO, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, MADDEN, PROBST, SANCHEZ, SHUSTERMAN AND TAKAC, APRIL 10, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 10, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), entitled
 2 "An act relating to counties of the first, second class A,
 3 third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes;
 4 amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws
 5 relating thereto; relating to imposition of excise taxes by
 6 counties, including authorizing imposition of an excise tax
 7 on the rental of motor vehicles by counties of the first
 8 class; and providing for regional renaissance initiatives,"
 9 in county commissioners and chief clerks, further providing
 10 for meetings, regular and special, conduct of meetings and
 11 notices and for quorum and execution of official instruments.

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

14 Section 1. Section 503 heading of the act of August 9, 1955
 15 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, is amended and the
 16 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

17 Section 503. Meetings, Regular and Special; Conduct of
 18 Meetings; Notices; Participation by Telecommunications Device.--

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20 (c) The commissioners may provide for participation in
 21 public meetings by commissioners and the public by means of
 22 telecommunications devices such as telephones or computer

1 terminals that permit, at a minimum, audio communication between
2 locations.

3 Section 2. Section 504(a) of the act is amended to read:

4 Section 504. Quorum; Execution of Official Instruments.--(a)

5 The commissioners shall constitute a board, two members of which
6 shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, and, when
7 convened after notice, shall be competent to perform all the
8 duties appertaining to the office of county commissioners.

9 Commissioners participating in a meeting by means of

10 telecommunications devices authorized under section 503(c) shall
11 be counted in establishing a quorum.

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13 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.