

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - April 27, 2015

Mayor John Dorin, Legislative Chairman
Association of Mayors of the Boroughs of PA

On behalf of the Association of Mayors of the Boroughs of PA, I have submitted five resolutions to the R & P Steering Committee for consideration.

On Friday, March 13, the Resolution and Policy Steering Committee met to review and offer advisory opinions on resolutions submitted by the membership. They were reviewed and they were all recommended for adoption.

Our Association had these resolutions approved and we ask that all members encourage their legislators to support these measures.

1. Resolution 2015-4

BE IT RESOLVED, that PSAB seek legislation providing for an annual revenue sharing program for municipalities relating to tax exempt real property and establishing the Tax exempt property municipal assistance Fund through DCED and funded by revenue generated by the 18% Johnstown Flood Tax.

2. Resolution 2015-9

BE IT RESOLVED, that PSSAB support legislation supporting pension reform for the State's two pension systems, The State Employees and Public School Employees which have a combined debt of \$50 billion. It is recommended that PSAB support a 401K type defined contribution plan, as opposed to the State's defined benefit plan which guarantees a set sum for retirees.

3. Resolution 2015-10

BE IT RESOLVED, that PSAB urge the General Assembly to address serious reforms to Act 111 leveling the playing field in negotiations.

4. Resolution 2015-12

BE IT RESOLVED, that PSAB support legislation requiring municipalities with a population of 4000 or greater to pay for State Police coverage, form their own police departments, or contract for police services.

5. Resolution 2015-18

BE IT RESOLVED, that PSAB support the Association of Mayors of the Boroughs of PA (AMBP) in its effort to establish the use of Municipal Police Radar and other electronic technologies for the purpose of safe vehicular traffic in all our commonwealth's municipalities.