



Pennsylvania Municipal League
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MEMO

To: Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives
From: Amy Sturges, Director of Governmental Affairs, PML and PSATC
Re: Amendment 01009 Filed on House Bill 141 (PN 107)
Date: May 24, 2021

On behalf of the membership of the Pennsylvania Municipal League (PML) and the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners (PSATC), I am writing to express our strong support for Representative Freeman's amendment, A01009, filed on House Bill 141 (PN 107).

House Bill 141, as presently drafted, would exempt nonbuilding lots completely from the subdivision regulatory process. As a result, certain subdivisions of land would not be required to be recorded and assigned a parcel ID for tracking and property assessment purposes. Additionally, there would be no authority to survey the land, and therefore, there is no basis for determining if property lines and other requirements are satisfied.

Amendment 01009 would remedy these issues by removing the language that exempts a nonbuilding lot from regulation under a subdivision and land development plan. This would preserve a municipality's authority to assure all properties conform to applicable subdivision and land use requirements, while also ensuring proper recording. Ultimately, this protects all parties, including the municipality.

We respectfully request an affirmative vote for Amendment 01009 filed on House Bill 141 when the bill comes to the House Floor for second consideration.

Thank you for your consideration.