



**Pennsylvania Municipal League**  
President – Derek Slaughter, Mayor, City of Williamsport



**Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners**  
President – Dennis R. Arthur, Commissioner, Tinicum Township

TO: Members of the House Judiciary Committee  
FROM: Amy Sturges, Deputy Executive Director for Advocacy, The League and PSATC  
RE: Opposition to House Bill 1629  
DATE: June 30, 2025

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On behalf of the members of the Pennsylvania Municipal League (The League) and the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners (PSATC), I write in opposition to House Bill 1629 and respectfully request a “no” vote when the bill is brought up in Committee today.

While workplace violence prevention and employee safety are important to every employer, House Bill 1629 is an unfunded mandate and a significant government overreach.

The requirements for employers to develop policies, hold training sessions, assess threats, place employees on leave following incidents and report data will be cumbersome and expensive for all municipalities and impossible for many small municipalities to attain.

A far better approach, in our opinion, would be for the Department of Labor and Industry to provide guidance, training, and model policies for any employer to access if their employees are experiencing harassment or violence by the general public. We do not believe that this is a widespread problem that would warrant mandating every public employer to take the measures in this bill.

For the above reasons, we ask for a “no” vote today.

Thank you.