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House Bill 1749, Printer's No. 2238

**Sponsor: Representative Staback** 

## **Bill Summary**

House Bill 1749, Printer's No. 2238, amends the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code by further providing for authorization 7% (vs. 4%) Hotel Tax in relation to a third class county having a second class A city located therein (**Lackawanna County**). Increases the percentage to the Tourist Promotion Agency (TPA) (from 25% to 40%) and decreases the percentage to county (from 80% to 60%) and expands upon the allowed use for county-owned tourist and recreational facilities, sports facilities or visitors centers or other tourism-related activities to also include for other expenditures, debts or liabilities related to tourism or recreational facilities incurred by municipal authorities.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

## **Existing Legislation**

Act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code.

Act of July 4, 2008 (P.L.621, No.50), known as the "Tourism Promotion Act."

## **Other Legislation**

This legislation is one of several bills introduced in relation to the local Hotel Tax provisions contained in The County Code. Specifically, Senate Bill 1085 (Blake) was introduced in the Senate as companion legislation.