

House Local Government Committee

04/09/2025, 10:00 a.m., Room 205, Ryan Office Building

Pennsylvania Legislative Services

The committee met to consider bills.

Chairman Robert Freeman (D-Northampton) opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by outlining the meeting's agenda. He also acknowledged public policy students visiting from Arcadia College as special guests.

HB 50 – (PN 40) Amends the Water Services Act, in municipal authority approval of actions, further providing for the definitions of “authority” and “city.” Effective in 60 days. The bill was **passed over**.

HB 509 – (PN 491) Amends the Municipalities Financial Recovery Act, in receivership in municipalities, further providing for powers, duties and prohibited actions. Asserts that distressed municipalities and receivers must gain approval, in the form of an adopted resolution to be transmitted to the distressed municipality within 48 hours of the affirmative vote, from 75% of the governing body of municipalities who have service agreements with or whose residents previously used water and/or sewer services from the distressed municipality prior to the sale, lease, assignment or other use of distressed municipalities' assets. Effective in 60 days. The bill was **passed over**.

Chairman Freeman stated both HB 50 and HB 509 would be considered at a later date.

Chairman Freeman mentioned a potential meeting on April 24 to discuss a tax incentive bill and possibly other items, indicating it would be brief. He then adjourned the meeting.