PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

HOUSE BILL 2585

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2010

ALLEGHENY COUNTY SHERIFF WILLIAM MULLEN

TESTIMONY OUTLINE

- I. Introduction and remarks regarding career history in law enforcement as a former Deputy Chief and 37-year veteran of the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police.
- II. Comments regarding membership in the Fraternal Order of Police in the 1990s, during the time the organization contested granting the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office Municipal Police Officer status.
- III. Examples of situations in which Deputy Sheriffs have provided assistance to fellow law enforcement agencies due to having Municipal Police Officer powers.
 - A. Deputy Sheriffs requested to answer all 911 calls in Pittsburgh Police Zone 2 due to a manpower shortage.
 - B. Deputy Sheriff's requested to answer all 911 calls in Pittsburgh Police Zone 5 on April 4, 2009, when City Police Officers Sciullo, Mayhle and Kelly were ambushed and killed in the line of duty.
 - C. Deputy Sheriffs requested to answer all 911 calls in Penn Hills during the funeral mass of fallen Penn Hills Officer Michael Crawshaw, who was murdered in the line of duty in December 2009.
 - D. Deputy Sheriffs requested to serve on numerous Federal Task Forces to initiate a range of investigations into such crime agents as gangs, drugs and firearms.