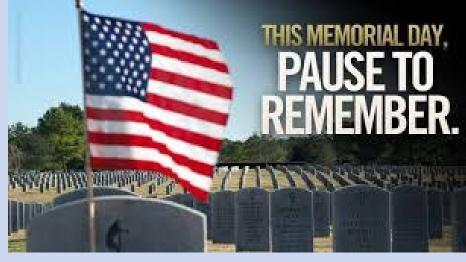


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### **MEMORIAL DAY**

Memorial Day is an occasion to honor and remember the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. It's a day to reflect on their sacrifices and appreciate their service to the country. Originally called Decoration Day, Memorial Day was formalized in 1868 to commemorate the fallen of the Civil War.

# **BCATO NEWSLETTER-MAY 2025**

# **PSATS Adopted Resolutions**

With the PSATS annual conference behind us, below is the link to the 2025 adopted resolutions. These will remain on the Association's books for five years. BCATO remains committed to bringing these resolutions and issues to the attention of its members. Click HERE



# 2025 Member Directory Click <u>HERE</u>

## **INTERNSHIP APPLICATION**

The Bucks County Association of Township Officials (BCATO) supports two \$2,500 grants annually. A municipality must commit to covering about 50% of the cost of compensating an intern. The municipality must agree to follow the internship standards set by BCATO and to compensate the intern at least \$2,500. Click <u>HERE</u> for the application

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES (currently in the committee)

List of bills that have been introduced in the Legislature and a brief description:

SB 512 would repeal Act 12. Click Here

<u>SB 338</u> would require a selling authority to conduct a ratepayer referendum on whether or not they want their water or sewer to be acquired by a for profit entity. It would allow public input. It would require the for profit company to publish an annual report regarding what they charge and what the previous entity charged. Click <u>Here</u>

<u>HB946</u> would require ratepayer approval prior to the sale of a publicly managed water or sewer utility valued at more than 1 million. Click <u>Here</u>

<u>HB 945</u> would repeal Act 12 and add a requirement for a ratepayer referendum prior to the sale of a municipally owned water or sewer system. Click <u>Here</u>

<u>HB946</u> would change the fees for the valuation of the system that the PUC can approve by capping them at 5% of the value. Require the valuation fees to be disclosed to rate payers in a special mailing or notification. Click <u>Here</u>

<u>HB 943</u> would require a municipality, prior to selling a water or sewer system, to request and received from the Independent Fiscal Office, an analysis of the costs associated with: the municipality keeping the system, applying for grants, borrowing money and raising rates to fix the system; selling the system, including rate increases; and doing nothing. The analysis would be a matter of public record. Click <u>Here</u>

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> \*SAVE THE DATE\* September 30th BCATO Fall Event Location TBD



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