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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY TRUITT, MILLARD, BLOOM, MURT, DRISCOLL, MCGINNIS,  
READSHAW AND WARD, JUNE 29, 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, JUNE 29, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Providing for temporary emergency budget funds.

2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
3 hereby enacts as follows:

4 Section 1. Short title.

5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Temporary  
6 Emergency Budget Fund Act.

7 Section 2. Temporary Emergency Budget Fund.

8 (a) Establishment.--The Temporary Emergency Budget Fund is  
9 established as a separate fund in the State Treasury. The money  
10 in the fund is appropriated on a continuing basis to carry out  
11 the provisions of this section.

12 (b) Transfers.--If legislation providing for appropriations  
13 from the General Fund for the ordinary programs of the  
14 Commonwealth is not enacted by July 1, 2015, the State Treasurer  
15 shall periodically transfer unappropriated, unrestricted General  
16 Fund money, to the extent that the funds are available, to the  
17 Temporary Emergency Budget Fund. The transfers shall be at the

1 times as necessary to meet the required payments of the  
2 Commonwealth, but shall not exceed the total amount appropriated  
3 under the General Appropriations Act of the previous fiscal  
4 year.

5 (c) Certification of transfers.--If the Governor fails to  
6 certify revenue estimates under section 618 of the act of April  
7 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of  
8 1929, for the current fiscal year the Secretary of Revenue shall  
9 certify to the State Treasurer each time a transfer is needed  
10 under subsection (a) that there is adequate unappropriated,  
11 unrestricted General Fund money to make the transfer.

12 Section 3. Payments from the fund.

13 The Secretary of the Budget shall draw a warrant on the State  
14 Treasurer for amounts to be paid from the fund, which shall not  
15 exceed the total amount as provided in the General  
16 Appropriations Act of the previous fiscal year.

17 Section 4. Limitation.

18 Transfers and payments under this act shall only be in effect  
19 during the time in which no General Appropriations Act has been  
20 enacted.

21 Section 5. Applicability.

22 This act shall apply to fiscal years beginning after June 30,  
23 2015.

24 Section 6. Effective date.

25 This act shall take effect immediately.