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AN ACT

Amending Titles 58 (Oil and Gas), 74 (Transportation) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in 2 Title 58, repealing expiration; in Title 74, providing for 3 organization; further providing for minority and women-owned 4 business participation; in sustainable mobility options, 5 further providing for definitions; further providing for the 6 7 Public Transportation Trust Fund, for application and approval process, for report to Governor and General 8 Assembly, for coordination and consolidation; for asset 9 improvement program, for programs of Statewide significance 10 11 and for capital improvements program; establishing the Alternative Energy Capital Investment Program; providing for 12 multimodal transportation funding and for airport operation 13 and zoning, providing for first class city consolidated car 14 rental facility; providing for traffic signals, for the 15 bridge bundling program; in Title 75, in financial 16 responsibility, further providing for required financial 17 responsibility; in fees, further providing for collection and disposition of fees and moneys, for driver's license and 18 19 learner's permit, for certificate of title, for security 20 21 interest, for information concerning drivers and vehicles, for certified copies of records and for certificate of 22 inspection; in general provisions, further providing for 23 24 obedience to traffic-control devices; in Pennsylvania 25 Turnpike, further providing for definitions; repealing deposit and distribution of funds; in liquid fuels and fuels 26 tax, further providing for definitions; in State highway 27 maintenance, further providing for dirt and gravel road maintenance; in supplemental funding for municipal highway 28 29 maintenance, further providing for supplemental funding for 30 31 municipal highway maintenance; and in taxes for highway 32 maintenance and construction, providing for imposition of tax and for allocation of proceeds. 33

The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

- 1 (1) It is the purpose of this act to ensure that a safe 2 and reliable system of transportation is available to the 3 residents of this Commonwealth.
 - (2) The Commonwealth's transportation system includes nearly 40,000 miles of roads and 25,000 bridges owned by the Commonwealth, nearly 77,000 miles of roads and 12,000 bridges owned by counties and municipal governments, 36 fixed-route public transportation agencies, 67 railroads, 133 public use airports, the Ports of Erie, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and numerous bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
 - (3) The Commonwealth's transportation system provides for access to employment, educational services, medical care and other life-sustaining services for all residents of this Commonwealth, including senior citizens and people with disabilities.
 - (4) The Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth has indicated that 9,000 miles of roads owned by the Commonwealth are in poor condition and that 4,400 bridges owned by the Commonwealth are rated structurally deficient. The State Transportation Advisory Committee has indicated that 2,189 bridges exceeding 20 feet in length owned by counties and municipalities are rated structurally deficient.
 - (5) There is urgent public need to reduce congestion, increase capacity, improve safety and promote economic efficiency of transportation facilities throughout this Commonwealth.
- 27 (6) The Commonwealth has limited resources to fund the 28 maintenance and expansion of its transportation facilities.
- 29 (7) The State Transportation Advisory Committee reported 30 in 2010 that the Commonwealth's transportation system is

- underfunded by \$3,500,000,000 and projected that amount will grow to \$6,700,000,000 by 2020 without additional financial investment by the Commonwealth.
 - (8) To ensure the needs of the public are adequately addressed, funding mechanisms must be enhanced to sustain the Commonwealth's transportation system in the future.
 - (9) The utilization of user fees establishes a funding source for transportation needs that spreads the costs across those who benefit from the Commonwealth's transportation system.
 - (10) Pursuant to section 11 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, all highway and bridge user fees must be used solely for construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of and safety on public highways and bridges and costs and expenses incident thereto.
 - (11) In order to ensure a safe and reliable system of public transportation, aviation, ports, rail and bicycle and pedestrian facilities, other transportation-related user fees must be deposited in the Public Transportation Trust Fund and the Multimodal Transportation Fund.
 - (12) In furtherance of the Commonwealth's energy policy, which includes becoming independent from overreliance on foreign energy sources, programs must be established to promote reliance on or conversion to alternative energy sources, including the vast natural gas supply of this Commonwealth.
- 27 (13) Recognition and furtherance of all these elements 28 is essential to promoting the health, safety and welfare of 29 the citizens of this Commonwealth.
- 30 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

- 1 hereby enacts as follows:
- 2 Section 1. Section 2318 of Title 58 of the Pennsylvania
- 3 Consolidated Statutes is repealed:
- 4 [§ 2318. Expiration.
- 5 (a) Notice. -- The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall, upon
- 6 the imposition of a severance tax on unconventional gas wells in
- 7 this Commonwealth, submit for publication in the Pennsylvania
- 8 Bulletin notice of the imposition.
- 9 (b) Date.--This chapter shall expire on the date of the
- 10 publication of the notice under subsection (a).]
- 11 Section 2. Title 74 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 12 Statutes is amended by adding a chapter to read:
- 13 <u>CHAPTER 2</u>
- 14 ORGANIZATION
- 15 Sec.
- 16 201. Definitions.
- 17 <u>202. Deputy secretaries.</u>
- 18 <u>§ 201. Definitions.</u>
- 19 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 20 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 21 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 22 "Department." The Department of Transportation of the
- 23 Commonwealth.
- 24 "Secretary." The Secretary of Transportation of the
- 25 Commonwealth.
- 26 § 202. Deputy secretaries.
- 27 (a) Appointment. -- The secretary shall appoint the following
- 28 <u>deputy secretaries:</u>
- 29 <u>(1) Deputy Secretary for Administration.</u>
- 30 (2) Deputy Secretary for Driver and Vehicle Services.

- 1 (3) Deputy Secretary for Highway Administration.
- 2 (4) Deputy Secretary for Multimodal Transportation.
- 3 (5) Deputy Secretary for Planning.
- 4 (b) Administration. -- The Deputy Secretary for Administration
- 5 has the powers and duties of the department under law relating
- 6 to all of the following:
- 7 <u>(1) Fiscal affairs.</u>
- 8 <u>(2) Operations analysis and improvement.</u>
- 9 <u>(3) Information services.</u>
- 10 (4) Office services.
- 11 <u>(5) Human resources.</u>
- 12 <u>(6) Equal opportunity.</u>
- 13 (c) Driver and vehicle services. -- The Deputy Secretary for
- 14 <u>Driver and Vehicle Services has the powers and duties of the</u>
- 15 <u>department under law relating to all of the following:</u>
- 16 <u>(1) Drivers.</u>
- 17 (2) Vehicles.
- 18 (3) Vehicle and driver safety.
- 19 (4) Services for other modes of transportation.
- 20 (d) Highway administration. -- The Deputy Secretary for
- 21 Highway Administration has the powers and duties of the
- 22 department under law relating to all of the following:
- 23 (1) Design of highways and bridges.
- 24 (2) Land acquisition for highways and bridges.
- 25 (3) Construction and reconstruction of highways and
- 26 bridges.
- 27 (4) Maintenance and operation of highways and bridges.
- 28 (5) Highway and bridge safety.
- 29 <u>(e) Multimodal transportation.--The Deputy Secretary for</u>
- 30 Multimodal Transportation has the powers and duties of the

- 1 <u>department under law relating to modes of transportation other</u>
- 2 than highways, except recreational boating and ferry licensing,
- 3 including all of the following:
- 4 <u>(1) Local and public transportation.</u>
- 5 (2) Rail freight.
- 6 <u>(3) Ports and waterways.</u>
- 7 <u>(4) Aviation and airports.</u>
- 8 (f) Planning. -- The Deputy Secretary of Planning has the
- 9 powers and duties of the department under law relating to all of
- 10 the following:
- 11 (1) Planning and research.
- 12 (2) Program development and management.
- 13 <u>(3) Services to municipalities.</u>
- 14 Section 3. Section 303 of Title 74 of the Pennsylvania
- 15 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 16 § 303. [Minority and women-owned] <u>Diverse</u> business
- 17 participation.
- 18 (a) General rule. -- In [administering] bidding and awarding
- 19 contracts for transportation projects funded pursuant to the
- 20 provisions of this title or Title 75 (relating to vehicles), the
- 21 [department and any local transportation organization]
- 22 <u>contracting entities</u> shall:
- 23 (1) Be responsible for ensuring that all competitive
- contract opportunities issued by the [department or local
- transportation organization] contracting entities seek to
- 26 maximize participation by [minority-owned and women-owned
- businesses and other disadvantaged] <u>diverse</u> businesses.
- 28 (1.1) Include in information and bid documents released
- for bidding or solicitation on all competitive contracting
- 30 opportunities notice to the bidder that:

1 (i) The prime contractor shall document and submit to the applicable contracting entity all good faith 2 efforts to solicit subcontractors from diverse businesses 3 during the prebid and bidding process. 4 5 (ii) The prime contractor shall include in the bid the name and business address of each subcontractor 6 7 certified as a diverse business that has been solicited by the prime contractor in accordance with subparagraph 8 9 (i) and that may or will perform work or render services

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10 to the prime contractor in connection with the

performance of the contract. Nothing under this

subparagraph shall be construed to preclude a prime

contractor from including in the bid the name and

business address of a contractor or subcontractor

registered with the Federal government's System of Award

Management as a diverse business.

- (iii) The prime contractor may use a joint venture
 with a diverse business or may subcontract work or
 services, including professional services, to a diverse
 business in order to comply with this section.
- (2) [Give] Include in the information and bid documents released for bidding or solicitation under paragraph (1.1), language encouraging contractors to utilize and give consideration[, when possible and cost effective,] to contractors offering to utilize [minority-owned and women-owned businesses and disadvantaged] diverse businesses in the selection and award of contracts.
- (3) Ensure that the [department's and local transportation organizations'] contracting entities' commitment to [the minority-owned and women-owned business

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- program] participation by diverse businesses is clearly
 understood and appropriately implemented and enforced by all
 [department and local transportation organization employees]
 applicable contracting entities.
 - (4) Designate a responsible official to supervise the [department and local transportation organization minority-owned and women-owned] contracting entities' diverse business program and ensure compliance within the [department or local transportation organization] contracting entities.
 - (5) [Furnish the Department of General Services, upon request, all requested information or assistance.]

 (Reserved).
 - (6) [Recommend sanctions to the Secretary of General Services,] Impose sanctions as may be appropriate under 62

 Pa.C.S. § 531 (relating to debarment or suspension), against businesses that fail to comply with this section or the policies of the Commonwealth [minority-owned and women-owned] diverse business [program] programs. This paragraph shall not apply to a local transportation organization.
- 20 (7) Ensure that each contract entered into with a prime
 21 contractor and any other entity engaged in business with a
 22 contracting entity pursuant to a contract awarded under this
 23 section includes provisions prohibiting discrimination in
 24 accordance with 62 Pa.C.S. § 3701 (relating to contract
 25 provisions prohibiting discrimination).
- 26 <u>(a.1) Additional duties of department.--The department, with</u>
- 27 the assistance of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
- 28 Supportive Services Center, shall have the following duties:
- 29 <u>(1) Conduct the necessary and appropriate outreach,</u>
 30 including using the database available on the Internet

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2	Government's System of Award Management database, for
3	purposes of identifying diverse businesses in general
4	construction, professional services and procurement capable
5	of performing contracts subject to this section.
6	(2) By October 1, 2014, and each October 1 thereafter,
7	submit a report to the chairman and minority chairman of the
8	Transportation Committee of the Senate and the chairman and
9	minority chairman of the Transportation Committee of the
10	House of Representatives summarizing the participation level
11	of diverse businesses in all competitive contract
12	opportunities issued by the contracting entities. The
13	commission or local transportation organization shall
14	cooperate with the department to complete the report. The
15	report shall include:
16	(i) The percentage of participation by diverse
17	businesses.
18	(ii) The total value of all contracts or
19	subcontracts or other procurement contracts executed by
20	diverse businesses pursuant to this section in the prior
21	year.
22	(iii) The number of businesses penalized for
23	violating this section.
24	(3) Transmit the report under paragraph (2) to the
25	Minority Business Development Authority, established under
26	the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.598, No.206), known as the
27	Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority Act. The
28	authority shall review the report to assess the effectiveness
29	in advancing this section and to make any recommendations for
30	changes in this section deemed necessary or desirable to the

- 1 secretary and the chairman and minority chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Senate and the chairman and 2 minority chairman of the Transportation Committee of the 3 House of Representatives. 4 5 (a.2) Replacement of diverse business.--6 (1) If, at any time during the evaluation of a bid or 7 proposal, the construction of a project or the performance of a service pursuant to a bid or proposal being evaluated or a 8 9 contract awarded under this section, it becomes necessary to replace a diverse business, the bidder, prime contractor or 10 contractor, as appropriate, shall comply with all of the 11 12 following: 13 (i) Immediately notify the applicable contracting 14 entity of the reason for replacement of the diverse 15 business. (ii) Receive approval from the contracting entity to 16 replace the diverse business. A request by a bidder, 17 18 prime contractor or contractor to replace a diverse 19 business shall be approved by the contracting entity 20 within seven days of receipt of the request. 21 (iii) Upon receipt of the contracting entity's 22 approval, replace the diverse business with another 23 diverse business. 24 (2) The notifications and approvals required under this 25 subsection may be forwarded in writing by mail or by 26 electronic mail, read receipt. (a.3) Applicability. -- The following shall apply to contractors and contracts subject to subsection (a):
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- (1) The provisions of 62 Pa.C.S. § 2108 (relating to 29
- compliance with Federal requirements). 30

- 1 (2) Prompt payment policies between a contractor and
- 2 <u>subcontractor adopted by the Department of General Services</u>
- 3 pursuant to 62 Pa.C.S. Pt. II (relating to general
- 4 <u>procurement provisions</u>).
- 5 (b) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
- 6 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 7 subsection:
- 8 "Certified." A diverse business that has been validated by a
- 9 third party certifying organization to ensure that the business
- 10 is actually owned, controlled and operated by a diverse
- 11 <u>applicant</u>.
- 12 "Commission." As defined in section 8102 (relating to
- 13 <u>definitions</u>).
- 14 "Contract." As defined in 62 Pa.C.S. § 103 (relating to
- 15 definitions).
- 16 <u>"Contracting entities."</u> The following:
- 17 <u>(1) The Department of Transportation.</u>
- 18 (2) The commission.
- 19 (3) A local transportation organization.
- "Disadvantaged business." A business that is owned or
- 21 controlled by a majority of persons, not limited to members of
- 22 minority groups, who are subject to racial or ethnic prejudice
- 23 or cultural bias.
- 24 "Diverse business." A disadvantaged business, minority-owned
- 25 or women-owned business or service-disabled veteran-owned small
- 26 business or veteran-owned small business. The term includes a
- 27 diverse business certified under the Pennsylvania Unified
- 28 Certification Program.
- "Local transportation organization." Any of the following:
- 30 (1) A political subdivision or a public transportation

- authority, port authority or redevelopment authority
- 2 organized under the laws of this Commonwealth or pursuant to
- an interstate compact or otherwise empowered to render,
- 4 contract for the rendering of or assist in the rendering of
- 5 transportation service in a limited area in this
- 6 Commonwealth, even though it may also render or assist in
- 7 rendering transportation service in adjacent states.
- 8 (2) A nonprofit association that directly or indirectly
- 9 provides public transportation service.
- 10 (3) A nonprofit association of public transportation
- 11 providers operating within this Commonwealth.
- "Minority-owned business." A business owned and controlled
- 13 by a majority of individuals who are African Americans, Hispanic
- 14 Americans, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Alaskans or
- 15 Pacific Islanders.
- 16 "Professional services." An industry of infrequent,
- 17 technical or unique functions performed by independent
- 18 contractors or consultants whose occupation is the rendering of
- 19 such services. The term includes:
- 20 (1) Design professional services as defined in 62
- 21 Pa.C.S. § 901 (relating to definitions).
- 22 (2) Legal services.
- 23 (3) Advertising or public relations services.
- 24 (4) Accounting, auditing or actuarial services.
- 25 <u>(5) Security consultant services.</u>
- 26 (6) Computer and information technology services.
- 27 <u>(7) Insurance underwriting services.</u>
- 28 "Service-disabled veteran-owned small business." As defined
- 29 in 51 Pa.C.S. § 9601 (relating to definitions).
- 30 "Third party certifying organization." An organization that

- 1 <u>certifies a small business, minority-owned business, women-owned</u>
- 2 business or veteran-owned small business as a diverse business.
- 3 The term includes:
- 4 (1) The National Minority Supplier Development Council.
- 5 (2) The Women's Business Enterprise National Council.
- 6 (3) The Small Business Administration.
- 7 (4) The Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 8 <u>"Veteran-owned small business." As defined in 51 Pa.C.S. §</u>
- 9 9601 (relating to definitions).
- 10 "Women-owned business." A business owned and controlled by a
- 11 majority of individuals who are women.
- 12 Section 4. The definitions of "base operating allocation"
- 13 and "capital expenditures" in section 1503 of Title 74 are
- 14 amended to read:
- 15 § 1503. Definitions.
- 16 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 17 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 18 context clearly indicates otherwise:
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- "Base operating allocation." The total amount of State
- 21 operating assistance, reimbursement in lieu of fares for senior
- 22 passengers and other assistance which was used for operating
- 23 assistance as determined by the department in [fiscal year 2005-
- 24 2006] the last full fiscal year that the qualifying local
- 25 <u>transportation organization received the assistance, including</u>
- 26 the funds received under section 1517.1 (relating to Alternative
- 27 <u>Energy Capital Investment Program</u>).
- 28 "Capital expenditures." All costs of capital projects,
- 29 including, but not limited to, the costs of acquisition,
- 30 construction, installation, start-up of operations, improvements

- 1 and all work and materials incident thereto. At the discretion
- 2 of the department, preventive maintenance expenses, as defined
- 3 by the Federal Transit Administration, may be deemed eligible as
- 4 <u>a capital expenditure based on written approval by the</u>
- 5 <u>department.</u>
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- 7 Section 5. Section 1506(b)(1), (c) and (e) of Title 74 are
- 8 amended to read:
- 9 § 1506. Fund.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (b) Deposits to fund by department.--
- 12 (1) The following apply:
- 13 (i) Except as provided under subparagraph (ii), upon 14 receipt, the department shall deposit into the fund the
- revenues received by the department under 75 Pa.C.S. Ch.
- 16 89 (relating to Pennsylvania Turnpike) and the lease
- 17 agreement executed between the department and the
- Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission under 75 Pa.C.S. §
- 19 8915.3 (relating to lease of Interstate 80; related
- 20 agreements) as follows:
- 21 (A) For fiscal year 2007-2008, \$250,000,000.
- 22 (B) For fiscal year 2008-2009, \$250,000,000.
- 23 (C) For fiscal year 2009-2010, \$250,000,000.
- 24 (D) For fiscal year 2010-2011 and each fiscal
- year thereafter, the amount calculated for the
- 26 previous fiscal year, increased by 2.5%.
- 27 (ii) The deposits made to the fund under this
- subsection shall equal [\$250,000,000 annually for each
- fiscal year commencing after the expiration of the
- 30 conversion period if the conversion notice is not

1	received by the secretary prior to expiration of the
2	conversion period as set forth under 75 Pa.C.S. §
3	8915.3(3).] \$450,000,000 for fiscal years 2013-2014
4	through 2020-2021. No additional payments shall be due
5	following fiscal year 2020-2021.
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7	(c) Other deposits The following shall be deposited into
8	the fund annually:
9	(1) 4.4% of the amount collected under Article II of the
_0	Tax Reform Code. Revenues under this paragraph shall be
1	deposited into the fund by the 20th day of each month for the
2	preceding month. The amount deposited under this paragraph is
13	estimated to be equivalent to the money available to the
4	department from the following sources:
.5	(i) The Supplemental Public Transportation Account
. 6	established under former section 1310.1 (relating to
_7	supplemental public transportation assistance funding).
8_	(ii) The amount appropriated annually by the
_9	Commonwealth from the General Fund for mass transit
20	programs pursuant to a General Appropriations Act.
21	(2) An amount of proceeds of Commonwealth capital bonds
22	as determined annually by the Secretary of the Budget.
23	(3) Revenue in the Public Transportation Assistance Fund
24	established under Article XXIII of the Tax Reform Code not
25	otherwise dedicated pursuant to law.
26	(3.1) If, by July 1, 2021, legislation is not enacted to
27	replace the revenue deposited in the fund under subsection
28	(b)(1), in fiscal year 2021-2022 and in each fiscal year
29	thereafter, the following shall apply:
30	(i) An amount equal to that revenue shall be

1	deposited in the fund.
2	(ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
3	source of the revenue deposited in the fund under this
4	paragraph shall be the receipts from the tax collected
5	under section 238 of the Tax Reform Code on motor
6	vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers.
7	(3.2) The revenue deposited in the fund in accordance
8	with 75 Pa.C.S. § 3111(a.1)(2)(ii) (relating to obedience to
9	traffic control devices).
10	(3.3) The revenue deposited in the fund under Chapter 16
11	(relating to fair share funding for transportation).
12	(3.4) The revenue deposited in the fund under 75 Pa.C.S.
13	§ 1786 (relating to required financial responsibility).
14	(4) Other appropriations, deposits or transfers to the
15	fund.
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17	(e) Program funding amounts Subject to available funds,
18	the programs established under this chapter shall be funded
19	annually as follows:
20	(1) For the program established under section 1513
21	(relating to operating program), the following amounts shall
22	be allocated from the fund:
23	(i) All revenues deposited in the fund under
24	subsection (b)(1), after allocation of \$20,000,000 to the
25	Multimodal Transportation Fund under section 2102(1)
26	(relating to deposits to fund).
27	(ii) All revenues deposited in the fund under
28	subsection (b)(2).
29	(iii) $[69.99\%]$ 86.76% of the revenues deposited in
30	the fund under subsection (c)(1).

1	(iv) All revenues deposited into the fund under
2	subsection (c)(3).
3	(v) All the revenues deposited in the fund in
4	accordance with 75 Pa.C.S. § 1904 (relating to collection
5	and disposition of fees and moneys) after the allocation
6	of 23% to the Multimodal Transportation Fund under
7	<u>section 2102(2).</u>
8	(vi) All revenues deposited in the fund under
9	<u>subsection (c)(3.1) and (3.4).</u>
10	(vii) Fifty percent of the revenues deposited in the
11	fund under subsection (c) (3.3).
12	(2) (i) [Except as provided under subparagraph (ii),
13	for] \underline{For} the program established under section 1514 (relating
14	to asset improvement program):
15	(A) By the proceeds of Commonwealth capital
16	bonds deposited into the fund under subsection (c)
17	(2).
18	[(A.1) For fiscal year 2007-2008, \$50,000,000
19	from the revenues received by the department under 75
20	Pa.C.S. Ch. 89 and the lease agreement executed
21	between the department and the Pennsylvania Turnpike
22	Commission under 75 Pa.C.S. § 8915.3. The amount
23	received by the department under this section shall
24	be deposited into the fund prior to distribution and
25	shall be in addition to the amounts received under
26	subsection (b)(1).
27	(B) For fiscal year 2008-2009, \$100,000,000 from
28	the revenues received by the department under 75
29	Pa.C.S. Ch. 89 and the lease agreement executed
30	between the department and the Pennsylvania Turnpike

Commission under 75 Pa.C.S. § 8915.3. The amount received by the department under this section shall be deposited into the fund prior to distribution and shall be in addition to the amounts received under subsection (b) (1).

- (C) For fiscal year 2009-2010, \$150,000,000 from the revenues received by the department under 75 Pa.C.S. Ch. 89 and the lease agreement executed between the department and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission under 75 Pa.C.S. § 8915.3. The amount received by the department under this section shall be deposited into the fund prior to distribution and shall be in addition to the amounts received under subsection (b) (1).
- year thereafter, the amount calculated for the prior fiscal year increased by 2.5% from the revenues received by the department under 75 Pa.C.S. Ch. 89 and the lease agreement executed between the department and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission under 75 Pa.C.S. § 8915.3. The amount received by the department under this section shall be deposited into the fund prior to distribution and shall be in addition to the amounts received under subsection (b) (1).]
- (E) Fifty percent of the revenue deposited in the fund under subsection (c) (3.3).
- (F) The revenue deposited in the fund under subsection (c) (3.2).
- [(ii) If the conversion notice is not received by

- 1 the secretary prior to the end of the conversion period
- as set forth in 75 Pa.C.S. § 8915.3(3), no additional
- 3 allocation shall be made under subparagraph (i).]
- 4 (3) For the program established under section 1516
- 5 (relating to programs of Statewide significance), 13.24% of
- 6 the revenues deposited in the fund under subsection (c)(1)
- 7 shall be allocated from the fund.
- 8 [(4) For the program established under section 1517
- 9 (relating to capital improvements program), 16.77% of the
- 10 revenues deposited in the fund under subsection (c)(1).
- 11 Additional funds for this program may be provided from the
- 12 funds allocated but not distributed based on the limitation
- set forth under section 1513(c)(3).]
- 14 (5) For the program established under section 1517.1
- 15 (relating to Alternative Energy Capital Investments Program),
- no more than \$60,000,000 of the revenues deposited in the
- fund under subsection (c) may be allocated from the fund.
- 18 Section 6. Section 1507(a)(6) and (c) of Title 74 are
- 19 amended and subsection (a) is amended by adding a paragraph to
- 20 read:
- 21 § 1507. Application and approval process.
- 22 (a) Application. -- An eligible applicant that wishes to
- 23 receive financial assistance under this chapter shall submit a
- 24 written application to the department on a form developed by the
- 25 department, which shall include the following:
- 26 * * *
- 27 (6) Evidence satisfactory to the department of the
- 28 commitment for matching funds required under this chapter
- 29 sufficient to match the projected financial assistance
- 30 payments [at the same times that the financial assistance

- payments are to be provided.], provided no later than June 30
- of the applicable fiscal year. If the evidence required under
- 3 this paragraph is not provided to the satisfaction of the
- 4 <u>department</u>, subsequent funding under section 1513 (relating
- 5 to operating program) shall be withheld until the applicant
- 6 <u>meets the requirements of this paragraph.</u>
- 7 (6.1) A statement of policy outlining the basic
- 8 principles for the adjustment of fare growth to meet the rate
- 9 <u>of inflation.</u>
- 10 * * *
- 11 (c) Restriction on use of funds.--[Financial] <u>Unless the</u>
- 12 department grants the award recipient a waiver allowing the
- 13 funds to be used for a different purpose, financial assistance
- 14 under this chapter shall be used only for activities set forth
- 15 under the financial assistance agreement [unless the department
- 16 grants the award recipient a waiver allowing the funds to be
- 17 used for a different purpose]. The department's regulations
- 18 shall describe circumstances under which it will consider waiver
- 19 requests and shall set forth all information to be included in a
- 20 waiver request. The maximum duration of a waiver shall be one
- 21 year, and a waiver request shall include a plan of corrective
- 22 action to demonstrate that the award recipient does not have an
- 23 ongoing need to use financial assistance funds for activities
- 24 other than those for which funds were originally awarded. The
- 25 <u>duration of the waiver may not exceed the duration of the plan</u>
- 26 of corrective action. The department shall monitor
- 27 <u>implementation of the plan of corrective action. If the plan of</u>
- 28 corrective action is not implemented by the local transportation
- 29 organization, the department shall rescind the waiver approval.
- 30 Section 7. Sections 1511 and 1512 of Title 74 are amended to

- 1 read:
- 2 § 1511. Report to Governor and General Assembly.
- 3 [The following shall apply:
- 4 (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the] <u>The</u>
- 5 department shall submit a public passenger transportation
- 6 performance report to the Governor and the General Assembly
- 7 by April 30 of each year, covering the prior fiscal year.
- 8 [(2) The report covering the 2005-2006 fiscal year shall
- 9 be submitted by July 31, 2007.]
- 10 § 1512. Coordination and consolidation.
- 11 (a) Coordination. -- Coordination is required in regions where
- 12 two or more award recipients have services or activities for
- 13 which financial assistance is being provided under this chapter
- 14 to assure that the services or activities are provided
- 15 efficiently and effectively.
- 16 (b) Consolidation and mutual cooperation. --
- 17 (1) The department shall study the feasibility of
- 18 consolidation and mutual cooperation of local transportation
- 19 <u>organizations as a means of reducing annual expense without</u>
- loss of service to the communities. The study shall examine
- the creation of service regions or mutual cooperation pacts
- 22 to determine whether either method would reduce annual
- 23 expenses. The feasibility analysis is to include a cost-
- benefit analysis and operational analysis.
- 25 (2) If the results of the feasibility analysis begun
- after the effective date of this subsection under paragraph
- 27 (1) estimate a net annual savings of at least \$2,000,000,
- including all costs associated with any merger, or 25% of the
- 29 <u>local match contribution under section 1513 (relating to</u>
- operating program) at the time of completion of the study,

- 1 the transportation organization and local government may
- 2 <u>implement the recommended action.</u>
- 3 (3) The department shall waive the match increase under
- 4 <u>section 1513 for five fiscal years for the transportation</u>
- 5 organization's participation in the recommended action under
- 6 paragraph (2).
- 7 (c) Funding for merger and consolidation incentives and
- 8 <u>mutual cooperation pacts.--A capital project that is needed to</u>
- 9 support a local transportation organization that has agreed to
- 10 merge and consolidate operations and administration or share
- 11 <u>facilities or staff through a mutual cooperation pact to achieve</u>
- 12 cost and service efficiencies shall be eligible for financial
- 13 assistance under this chapter. The application for financial
- 14 assistance must:
- 15 (1) identify the efficiencies in a merger and
- 16 consolidation plan or mutual cooperation pact; and
- 17 (2) include the expected net dollar savings that will
- result from the merger, consolidation or pact.
- 19 Section 8. Section 1514 of Title 74 is amended by adding a
- 20 subsection to read:
- 21 § 1514. Asset improvement program.
- 22 * * *
- 23 (e.1) Distribution. -- The department shall allocate financial
- 24 assistance under this section on a percentage basis of available
- 25 funds each fiscal year as follows:
- 26 (1) The local transportation organization organized and
- 27 existing under Chapter 17 (relating to metropolitan
- transportation authorities) as the primary provider of public
- 29 <u>passenger transportation for the counties of Philadelphia</u>,
- 30 Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Montgomery shall receive 69.4%

- 1 of the funds available for distribution under this section.
- 2 (2) The local transportation organization organized and
- 3 existing under the act of April 6, 1956 (1955 P.L.1414,
- 4 No.465), known as the Second Class County Port Authority Act,
- 5 <u>as the primary provider of public transportation for the</u>
- 6 county of Allegheny, shall receive 22.6% of the funds
- 7 available for distribution under this section.
- 8 (3) Other local transportation organizations organized
- 9 and existing as the primary providers of public passenger
- transportation for the counties of this Commonwealth not
- identified under paragraph (1) or (2) shall receive 8% of the
- 12 <u>funds available for distribution under this section. The</u>
- department shall allocate the funds under this paragraph
- 14 <u>among the local transportation organizations.</u>
- 15 (4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) and
- before distributing the funds under paragraph (1), (2) or
- 17 (3), the department shall set aside 5% of the funds available
- for distribution under this section for discretionary use and
- 19 distribution by the secretary.
- 20 * * *
- 21 Section 8.1. Section 1516(b) and (e) of Title 74 are amended
- 22 and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 23 § 1516. Programs of Statewide significance.
- 24 * * *
- 25 (b) Persons with disabilities. -- The department shall
- 26 establish and administer a program providing reduced fares to
- 27 persons with disabilities on community transportation services
- 28 and to provide financial assistance for start-up, administrative
- 29 and capital expenses related to reduced fares for persons with
- 30 disabilities. All of the following shall apply:

- 1 (1) A community transportation system operating in the
 2 Commonwealth other than in [counties of the first and second
 3 class] a county of the first class may apply for financial
 4 assistance under this subsection.
 - this subsection for program start-up and for continuing capital expenses to offset administrative and capital expenses. For community transportation trips made by eligible persons with disabilities, financial assistance may be awarded to an eligible community transportation system to reimburse the system for up to 85% of the fare established for the general public for each trip which is outside of fixed-route and paratransit service areas and not eligible for funding from any other program or funding source. The person making the trip or an approved third-party sponsor shall contribute the greater of 15% of the fare established for the general public or the Americans with Disabilities Act complementary paratransit fare.

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- 20 (e) Technical assistance [and], demonstration and
 21 emergency. -- The department is authorized to provide financial
 22 assistance under this section for technical assistance, research
 23 and short-term demonstration or emergency projects. All of the
- 24 following shall apply:
- 25 (1) A local transportation organization or an agency or 26 instrumentality of the Commonwealth may apply to the 27 department for financial assistance under this subsection.
- (2) Financial assistance provided under this subsection may be used for reimbursement for any approved operating or capital costs related to technical assistance and

demonstration program projects. Financial assistance for

2 short-term demonstration projects may be provided at the

department's discretion on an annual basis based on the level

of financial commitment provided by the award recipient to

5 provide ongoing future funding for the project as soon as the

project meets the criteria established by the department and

the award recipient. Financial assistance for this purpose

8 shall not be provided for more than three fiscal years.

9 Financial assistance may be provided to meet any short-term

emergency need that requires immediate attention and cannot

be funded through other sources.

(3) Financial assistance under this subsection provided to a local transportation organization shall be matched by local or private cash funding in an amount not less than 3.33% of the amount of the financial assistance being provided. The sources of funds for the local match shall be subject to the requirements of section 1513(d)(3) (relating to operating program).

(4) As follows:

- (i) For short-term demonstration projects awarded financial assistance under this subsection, the department shall determine if the demonstration project was successful based upon the performance criteria established prior to the commencement of the demonstration project and approved by the department.
- (ii) If the department determines that the

 demonstration project was successful, the local

 transportation organization or agency or instrumentality

 of the Commonwealth that conducted the demonstration

 project shall be eligible to apply for and receive funds

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Т	under section 1313 to sustain and transition the			
2	demonstration project into regular public passenger			
3	transportation service.			
4	(iii) During the first year in which the			
5	demonstration project is eligible for and applies for			
6	financial assistance under section 1513, the local			
7	transportation organization or agency or instrumentality			
8	of the Commonwealth that conducted the demonstration			
9	project and transitioned it to regular public passenger			
10	transportation service shall be eligible to receive			
11	financial assistance up to 65% of the transportation			
12	service's prior fiscal year operating costs or expenses			
13	for the service as an initial base operating allocation.			
14	(iv) The initial base operating allocation shall be			
15	taken from the growth under section 1513 over the prior			
16	year before distributing the remainder of the formula			
17	described in section 1513.			
18	(f) Shared Ride Community Transportation Service Delivery			
19	9 <u>Pilot Program</u>			
20	(1) The department may develop and implement a pilot			
21	program to test and evaluate new models of paying for and			
22	delivering shared ride and community transportation. The			
23	goals of the program are as follows:			
24	(i) Develop a community transportation delivery			
25	model that can be managed to stay within budget.			
26	(ii) Develop community transportation service			
27	standards with need based priorities.			
28	(iii) Develop a business model and fare structure			
29	that work across funding programs.			
30	(iv) Maximize efficiency and effectiveness of the			

1	services.					
2	(2) The department shall establish a pilot advisory					
3	committee to provide guidance and input for pilot planning,					
4	start up, operations, data collection and post pilot					
5	evaluation. The committee shall be comprised of the					
6	<pre>following:</pre>					
7	(i) A member appointed by Majority Chair of the					
8	Transportation Committee of the Senate.					
9	(ii) A member appointed by Minority Chair of the					
10	Transportation Committee of the Senate.					
11	(iii) A member appointed by Majority Chair of					
12	the Transportation Committee of the House of					
13	Representatives.					
14	(iv) A member appointed by Minority Chair of the					
15	Transportation Committee of the House of					
16	Representatives.					
17	(v) Two members from the Pennsylvania Public					
18	Transit Association appointed by the secretary.					
19	(vi) A member appointed by the secretary to					
20	represent people with disabilities .					
21	(vii) A member appointed by the Secretary of					
22	Aging to represent senior citizens.					
23	(viii) A member appointed by the Secretary of					
24	Public Welfare to represent people using medical					
25	assistance transportation.					
26	(ix) A member of the County Commissioners					
27	Association appointed by the secretary.					
28	(x) The secretary or a designee.					
29	(xi) The Secretary of Aging or a designee.					
30	(xii) The Secretary of the Office of the Budget					

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2 <u>(xiii) The Secretary of Public Welfare or a</u>
3 designee.

- 4 (3) The department shall work with the committee to
 5 define potential pilot models within 12 months of the
 6 effective date of this subsection.
- 7 (4) The department shall publish the notice of

 8 availability of the program models and framework in the

 9 Pennsylvania Bulletin and receive applications from counties

 10 and shared-ride community transportation systems interested

 11 in participating in the program within three months of the

 12 defining potential pilot models.
 - redefine the basis for payment using lottery and other State funding sources currently used to support community transportation programs for selected pilot counties and shared-ride community transportation systems to test new methods of service delivery and payment. Each project must have a business plan with management controls, service standards and budget controls. The business plan shall be reviewed by the committee prior to being implemented.
- 22 Section 9. Section 1517 of Title 74 is amended to read:
- 23 § 1517. Capital improvements program.
- 24 (a) Eligibility.--A local transportation organization may
- 25 apply for financial assistance under this section.
- 26 (b) Applications. -- The department shall establish the
- 27 contents of the application for the program established under
- 28 this section. The information shall be in addition to
- 29 information required under section 1507 (relating to application
- 30 and approval process).

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- 1 (c) Distribution formula. -- The department shall award
- 2 financial assistance under this section based on the number of
- 3 passengers. The actual amount awarded to a local transportation
- 4 organization under this subsection shall be calculated as
- 5 follows:
- 6 (1) Multiply the local transportation organization's
- 7 passengers by the total amount of funding available under
- 8 this section.
- 9 (2) Divide the product under paragraph (1) by the sum of
- 10 the passengers for all qualifying local transportation
- 11 organizations.
- 12 (d) Payments. -- Financial assistance under this section shall
- 13 be paid to local transportation organizations at least
- 14 quarterly.
- 15 (e) Reduction in financial assistance. -- Financial assistance
- 16 provided to a local transportation organization under this
- 17 section shall be reduced by any financial assistance received
- 18 previously under this section which has not been spent or
- 19 committed in a contract within three years of its receipt.
- 20 (f) Certification ends funding. -- Financial assistance under
- 21 this section shall cease when the secretary certifies that funds
- 22 are no longer available for the program established under this
- 23 section.
- Section 10. Title 74 is amended by adding a section to read:
- 25 § 1517.1. Alternative Energy Capital Investment Program.
- 26 (a) Establishment.--The department is authorized to
- 27 <u>establish a competitive grant program to implement capital</u>
- 28 improvements deemed necessary to support conversion of a local
- 29 transportation organization's fleet to an alternative energy
- 30 source, including compressed natural gas.

- 1 (b) Criteria. -- The department shall establish criteria for
- 2 <u>awarding grants under this section. Criteria shall, at a</u>
- 3 minimum, include feasibility, cost/benefit analysis and project
- 4 readiness.
- 5 (c) Additional authorization. -- Notwithstanding any other
- 6 provisions of this section or other law, the department may use
- 7 <u>funds designated for the program established under subsection</u>
- 8 (a) to supplement a local transit organization's base operating
- 9 allocation under section 1513 (relating to operating program) if
- 10 necessary to stabilize an operating budget and ensure that
- 11 efficient services may be sustained to support economic
- 12 development and job creation and retention.
- 13 Section 11. Title 74 is amended by adding chapters to read:
- 14 <u>CHAPTER 16</u>
- 15 <u>FAIR SHARE FUNDING</u>
- 16 <u>FOR TRANSPORTATION</u>
- 17 Sec.
- 18 1601. Scope of chapter.
- 19 1602. Definitions.
- 20 1603. Imposition of tax.
- 21 1604. Registration.
- 22 <u>1605</u>. Meters.
- 23 1606. Assessments.
- 24 1607. Time for assessment.
- 25 1608. Extension of assessment period.
- 26 <u>1609</u>. <u>Reassessments</u>.
- 27 <u>1610. Interest.</u>
- 28 <u>1611. Penalties.</u>
- 29 1612. Criminal acts.
- 30 <u>1613</u>. Abatement of additions or penalties.

- 1 1614. Bulk and auction sales.
- 2 1615. Collection upon failure to request reassessment, review
- 3 <u>or appeal.</u>
- 4 <u>1616. Tax liens.</u>
- 5 1617. Tax suit reciprocity.
- 6 1618. Service.
- 7 1619. Refunds.
- 8 <u>1620. Refund petition.</u>
- 9 <u>1621. Rules and regulations.</u>
- 10 <u>1622</u>. <u>Recordkeeping</u>.
- 11 <u>1623</u>. Examinations.
- 12 <u>1624. Unauthorized disclosure.</u>
- 13 <u>1625. Cooperation with other governments.</u>
- 14 1626. Bonds.
- 15 <u>1627</u>. Appropriation.
- 16 <u>1628. Deposit of proceeds.</u>
- 17 § 1601. Scope of chapter.
- 18 This chapter relates to additional funding for
- 19 transportation.
- 20 § 1602. Definitions.
- 21 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 22 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 23 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 24 "Department." The Department of Revenue of the Commonwealth.
- 25 "Natural gas." As defined in 58 Pa.C.S. § 2301 (relating to
- 26 <u>definitions</u>).
- 27 "Person." A natural person or a corporation, fiduciary,
- 28 association or other entity, including the Commonwealth, its
- 29 political subdivisions, instrumentalities and authorities. When
- 30 the term is used to prescribe and impose a penalty or imposing a

- 1 fine or imprisonment, or both, the term includes the members, as
- 2 applied to an association, and the officers, as applied to a
- 3 corporation.
- 4 <u>"Producer." As defined in 58 Pa.C.S. § 2301 (relating to</u>
- 5 definitions).
- 6 "Reporting period." A calendar month in which natural gas is
- 7 severed.
- 8 "Sever." Extract or otherwise remove natural gas from the
- 9 <u>soil or water of this Commonwealth.</u>
- 10 "Taxpayer." A person subject to the tax imposed by this
- 11 <u>chapter.</u>
- "Unconventional gas well." As defined in 58 Pa.C.S. § 2301
- 13 <u>(relating to definitions). The term shall not include a</u>
- 14 <u>vertical gas well.</u>
- 15 "Unit." A thousand cubic feet of natural gas measured at the
- 16 <u>wellhead at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and an</u>
- 17 absolute pressure of 14.73 pounds per square inch in accordance
- 18 with American Gas Association Standards and according to Boyle's
- 19 Law for the measurement of gas under varying pressures with
- 20 deviations as follows:
- 21 (1) The average absolute atmospheric pressure shall be
- assumed to be 14.4 pounds to the square inch, regardless of
- 23 <u>elevation or location of point of delivery above sea level or</u>
- 24 variations in atmospheric pressure from time to time.
- 25 (2) The temperature of the gas passing the meters shall
- be determined by the continuous use of a recording
- thermometer installed to properly record the temperature of
- 28 gas flowing through the meters. The arithmetic average of the
- 29 <u>temperature recorded each 24-hour day shall be used in</u>
- 30 computing gas volumes. If a recording thermometer is not

- installed, or is installed and not operating properly, an
- 2 average flowing temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit shall be
- 3 <u>used in computing gas volume.</u>
- 4 (3) The specific gravity of the gas shall be determined
- 5 <u>annually by tests made by the use of an Edwards or Acme</u>
- 6 gravity balance, or at intervals as found necessary in
- 7 practice. Specific gravity determinations shall be used in
- 8 <u>computing gas volumes.</u>
- 9 <u>(4) The deviation of the natural gas from Boyle's Law</u>
- shall be determined by annual tests or at other shorter
- intervals as found necessary in practice. The apparatus and
- 12 <u>method used in making the test shall be in accordance with</u>
- 13 <u>recommendations of the National Bureau of Standards or Report</u>
- No. 3 of the Gas Measurement Committee of the American Gas
- 15 Association, or amendments thereto. The results of the tests
- shall be used in computing the volume of gas delivered under
- 17 this chapter.
- "Vertical gas well." As defined in 58 Pa.C.S. § 2301
- 19 (relating to definitions).
- 20 "Wellhead meter." A meter that measures the volume of
- 21 <u>natural gas severed from an unconventional gas well.</u>
- 22 § 1603. Imposition of tax.
- 23 (a) Establishment.--Beginning September 1, 2013, there shall
- 24 be levied a natural gas severance tax payable on every
- 25 unconventional gas well that is required to pay the fee payable
- 26 under 58 Pa.C.S. Ch. 23 (relating to unconventional gas well
- 27 <u>fee).</u>
- 28 (b) Rate. -- The tax imposed in subsection (a) shall be 5% of
- 29 the gross value of units severed at the wellhead during a
- 30 reporting period, plus 4¢ per unit severed.

- 1 (c) Return and payment. -- Every producer subject to the
- 2 provisions of this chapter shall file a return with the
- 3 department, on a form prescribed by the department, which shall
- 4 <u>include the following:</u>
- 5 (1) The number of natural gas units severed by the
- 6 producer for the reporting period and the gross value
- 7 thereof.
- 8 (2) The amount of tax due under subsection (b).
- 9 (3) Other information reasonably required by the
- 10 <u>department</u>.
- 11 (d) Filing. -- The return required by subsection (c) must be
- 12 <u>filed with the department within 15 days following the end of a</u>
- 13 reporting period. The tax is due on the day the return is
- 14 required to be filed under this subsection and becomes
- 15 <u>delinquent if not remitted to the department by the required</u>
- 16 <u>date.</u>
- 17 § 1604. Registration.
- 18 (a) Application. -- Before a producer severs natural gas or
- 19 continues to sever natural gas in this Commonwealth after August
- 20 31, 2013, the producer shall apply to the department for a
- 21 registration certificate. The department may charge an
- 22 application fee to cover the administrative costs associated
- 23 with the application and registration process.
- 24 (b) Issuance. -- Except as provided in subsection (c), after
- 25 the receipt of an application and the required application fee,
- 26 the department shall issue a registration certificate to the
- 27 producer. The registration certificate is nonassignable. A
- 28 registrant is required to renew the registration certificate on
- 29 <u>a staggered renewal system established by the department. After</u>
- 30 the initial staggered renewal period, a registration certificate

- 1 <u>is valid for a period of five years.</u>
- 2 (c) Refusal, suspension or revocation. -- The department may
- 3 refuse to issue, suspend or revoke a registration certificate if
- 4 the applicant or registrant has not filed required State tax
- 5 reports and paid State taxes not subject to a timely perfected
- 6 <u>administrative or judicial appeal or subject to a duly</u>
- 7 <u>authorized deferred payment plan. The department shall notify</u>
- 8 the applicant or registrant of any refusal, suspension or
- 9 revocation. The notice shall contain a statement that the
- 10 refusal, suspension or revocation may be made public. The notice
- 11 <u>shall be made by first class mail. An applicant or registrant</u>
- 12 aggrieved by the determination of the department may file an
- 13 <u>appeal under the provisions for administrative appeals in the</u>
- 14 act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code
- 15 of 1971. In the case of a suspension or revocation which is
- 16 appealed, the registration certificate shall remain valid
- 17 pending a final outcome of the appeals process. Notwithstanding
- 18 sections 274, 353(f), 408(b), 603, 702, 802, 904 and 1102 of the
- 19 Tax Reform Code of 1971 or any other provision of law, if no
- 20 appeal is taken or if an appeal is taken and denied at the
- 21 conclusion of the appeal process the department may disclose, by
- 22 <u>publication or otherwise</u>, the identity of a producer and the
- 23 <u>fact that the producer's registration certificate has been</u>
- 24 refused, suspended or revoked under this subsection. Disclosure
- 25 may include the basis for refusal, suspension or revocation.
- 26 (d) Violation.--A person severing natural gas in this
- 27 Commonwealth in violation of subsection (a) shall be guilty of a
- 28 summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay
- 29 a fine of not less than \$300 nor more than \$1,500. In the event
- 30 the person convicted defaults in the payment of the fine, he

- 1 shall be sentenced to imprisonment for not less than five days
- 2 nor more than 30 days. The penalties imposed by this subsection
- 3 shall be in addition to any other penalties imposed by this
- 4 chapter. For purposes of this subsection, the severing of
- 5 <u>natural gas during any calendar day shall constitute a separate</u>
- 6 <u>violation</u>. The secretary may designate employees of the
- 7 <u>department to enforce the provisions of this subsection. The</u>
- 8 employees shall exhibit proof of and be within the scope of the
- 9 <u>designation when instituting proceedings as provided by the</u>
- 10 Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure.
- 11 (e) Failure to obtain registration certificate. -- Failure to
- 12 obtain or hold a valid registration certificate does not relieve
- 13 <u>a person from liability for the tax imposed by this chapter.</u>
- 14 § 1605. Meters.
- 15 A producer shall provide for and maintain a discrete wellhead
- 16 meter where natural gas is severed. A producer shall ensure that
- 17 the meters are maintained according to industry standards. Any
- 18 wellhead meter installed after the effective date of this
- 19 section shall be a digital meter.
- 20 <u>§ 1606</u>. Assessments.
- 21 (a) Authorization and requirement. -- The department is
- 22 authorized and shall make the inquiries, determinations and
- 23 <u>assessments of the tax imposed under this chapter</u>, including
- 24 interest, additions and penalties imposed under this chapter.
- 25 (b) Notice.--The notice of assessment and demand for payment
- 26 shall be mailed to the taxpayer. The notice shall set forth the
- 27 <u>basis of the assessment. The department shall send the notice of</u>
- 28 assessment to the taxpayer at its registered address via
- 29 certified mail if the assessment increases the taxpayer's tax
- 30 liability by \$300. Otherwise, the notice of assessment may be

- 1 <u>sent via regular mail.</u>
- 2 § 1607. Time for assessment.
- 3 (a) Requirement. -- An assessment as provided under section
- 4 1606 (relating to assessments) shall be made within three years
- 5 after the date when the return provided for by section 1603(c)
- 6 (relating to return and payment) is filed or the end of the year
- 7 <u>in which the tax liability arises, whichever shall occur last.</u>
- 8 For the purposes of this subsection and subsection (b), a return
- 9 <u>filed before the last day prescribed for the filing period shall</u>
- 10 be considered as filed on the last day.
- 11 (b) Exception. -- If the taxpayer underpays the correct amount
- 12 of the tax due by 25% or more, the tax may be assessed within
- 13 six years after the date the return was filed.
- 14 (c) Intent to evade. -- Where no return is filed or where the
- 15 taxpayer files a false or fraudulent return with intent to evade
- 16 the tax imposed by this chapter, the assessment may be made at
- 17 any time.
- 18 (d) Erroneous credit or refund. -- Within three years of the
- 19 granting of a refund or credit or within the period in which an
- 20 assessment or reassessment may have been issued by the
- 21 department for the taxable period for which the refund was
- 22 granted, whichever period shall last occur, the department may
- 23 issue an assessment to recover a refund or credit made or
- 24 allowed erroneously.
- 25 § 1608. Extension of assessment period.
- Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the
- 27 assessment period may be extended in the event a taxpayer has
- 28 provided written consent before the expiration of the period
- 29 provided in section 1607 (relating to time for assessment) for a
- 30 tax assessment. The amount of tax due may be assessed at any

- 1 time within the extended period. The period may be extended
- 2 further by subsequent written consents made before the
- 3 expiration of the extended period.
- 4 § 1609. Reassessments.
- 5 <u>A taxpayer against whom an assessment is made may petition</u>
- 6 the department for a reassessment under Article XXVII of the act
- 7 of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of
- 8 1971.
- 9 <u>§ 1610. Interest.</u>
- 10 The department shall assess interest on any delinquent tax at
- 11 the rate prescribed under section 806 of the act of April 9,
- 12 <u>1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code.</u>
- 13 <u>§ 1611. Penalties.</u>
- 14 The department shall enforce the following penalties:
- 15 (1) A penalty against a producer without a registration
- 16 <u>certificate required under section 1604 (relating to</u>
- 17 registration). The penalty shall be \$1 for every unit severed
- 18 without a valid registration certificate. The department may
- 19 assess this penalty separately from or in conjunction with
- 20 any assessment of the natural gas severance tax.
- 21 (2) A penalty against a producer for failure to timely
- file a return as required under section 1603(c) (relating to
- 23 <u>return and payment). The penalty shall be 5% of the tax</u>
- liability to be reported on the return for each day beyond
- 25 the due date that the return is not filed.
- 26 (3) In addition to the penalty under paragraph (2), a
- 27 <u>penalty against the producer for a willful failure to timely</u>
- file a return. The penalty shall be 200% of the tax liability
- required to be reported on the return.
- 30 (4) A penalty against a producer for failure to timely

- 1 pay the tax as required by section 1603(d). The penalty shall
- 2 be 5% of the amount of tax due for each day beyond the
- 3 payment date that the tax is not paid.
- 4 § 1612. Criminal acts.
- 5 (a) Fraudulent return. -- Any person with intent to defraud
- 6 the Commonwealth, who willfully makes or causes to be made a
- 7 return required by this chapter which is false, is quilty of a
- 8 <u>misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a</u>
- 9 <u>fine of not more than \$2,000 or to imprisonment for not more</u>
- 10 than three years, or both.
- 11 (b) Other crimes.--
- 12 (1) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (a), a
- person is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction,
- be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and costs
- of prosecution or to imprisonment for not more than one year,
- or both, for any of the following:
- (i) Willfully failing to timely remit the tax to the
- 18 <u>department.</u>
- 19 (ii) Willfully failing or neglecting to timely file
- a return or report required by this chapter.
- 21 (iii) Refusing to timely pay a tax, penalty or
- 22 interest imposed or provided for by this chapter.
- 23 (iv) Willfully failing to preserve its books, papers
- and records as directed by the department.
- 25 (v) Refusing to permit the department or its
- authorized agents to examine its books, records or
- 27 <u>papers.</u>
- 28 (vi) Knowingly making any incomplete, false or
- fraudulent return or report.
- 30 <u>(vii) Preventing or attempting to prevent the full</u>

- disclosure of the amount of natural gas severance tax
- 2 <u>due.</u>
- 3 (viii) Providing any person with a false statement
- 4 <u>as to the payment of the tax imposed under this chapter</u>
- 5 <u>with respect to any pertinent facts.</u>
- 6 (ix) Making, uttering or issuing a false or
- 7 fraudulent statement.
- 8 (2) The penalties imposed by this section shall be in
- 9 <u>addition to other penalties imposed by this chapter.</u>
- 10 § 1613. Abatement of additions or penalties.
- 11 Upon the filing of a petition for reassessment or a petition
- 12 for refund by a taxpayer as provided under this chapter,
- 13 <u>additions or penalties imposed upon the taxpayer by this chapter</u>
- 14 may be waived or abated in whole or in part where the petitioner
- 15 establishes that he acted in good faith, without negligence and
- 16 with no intent to defraud.
- 17 § 1614. Bulk and auction sales.
- 18 A person that sells or causes to be sold at auction, or that
- 19 <u>sells or transfers in bulk, 51% or more of a stock of goods,</u>
- 20 wares or merchandise of any kind, fixtures, machinery,
- 21 equipment, buildings or real estate involved in a business for
- 22 which the person holds a registration certificate or is required
- 23 to obtain a registration certificate under the provisions of
- 24 this chapter shall be subject to the provisions of section 1403
- 25 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The
- 26 Fiscal Code.
- 27 § 1615. Collection upon failure to request reassessment, review
- or appeal.
- 29 (a) Power of department.--The department may collect the tax
- 30 imposed under this chapter:

- 1 (1) If an assessment of the tax is not paid within 30
- 2 <u>days after notice to the taxpayer when no petition for</u>
- 3 reassessment has been filed.
- 4 (2) Within 60 days of the reassessment, if no petition
- 5 <u>for review has been filed.</u>
- 6 (3) If no appeal has been made, within 30 days of:
- 7 <u>(i) the Board of Finance and Revenue's decision of a</u>
- 8 <u>petition for review; or</u>
- 9 <u>(ii) the expiration of the board's time for acting</u>
- 10 <u>upon the petition.</u>
- 11 (4) In all cases of judicial sales, receiverships,
- 12 <u>assignments or bankruptcies.</u>
- 13 (b) Prohibition.--In a case for the collection of taxes
- 14 under subsection (a), the taxpayer against whom they were
- 15 assessed shall not be permitted to set up a ground of defense
- 16 that might have been determined by the department, the Board of
- 17 Finance and Revenue or the courts, provided that the defense of
- 18 failure of the department to mail notice of assessment or
- 19 reassessment to the taxpayer and the defense of payment of
- 20 assessment or reassessment may be raised in proceedings for
- 21 collection by a motion to stay the proceedings.
- 22 § 1616. Tax liens.
- 23 (a) Lien imposed. -- If any taxpayer neglects or refuses to
- 24 pay the tax imposed under this chapter for which the taxpayer is
- 25 liable under this chapter after demand, the amount, including
- 26 interest, addition or penalty, together with additional costs
- 27 that may accrue, shall be a lien in favor of the Commonwealth
- 28 upon the real and personal property of the taxpayer but only
- 29 after the same has been entered and docketed of record by the
- 30 prothonotary of the county where the property is situated. The

- 1 department may, at any time, transmit to the prothonotaries of
- 2 the respective counties certified copies of all liens imposed by
- 3 this section. It shall be the duty of the prothonotary receiving
- 4 the lien to enter and docket the same of record to the office of
- 5 the prothonotary. The lien shall be indexed as judgments are now
- 6 <u>indexed</u>. No prothonotary shall require as a condition precedent
- 7 to the entry of the lien the payment of costs incidental to its
- 8 entry.
- 9 (b) Priority of lien and effect on judicial sale. -- Except
- 10 for the costs of the sale and the writ upon which the sale was
- 11 made and real estate taxes and municipal claims against the
- 12 property, a lien imposed under this section shall have priority
- 13 from the date of its recording and shall be fully paid and
- 14 satisfied out of the proceeds of any judicial sale of property
- 15 <u>subject to the lien</u>, <u>before any other obligation</u>, <u>judgment</u>,
- 16 claim, lien or estate to which the property may subsequently
- 17 become subject, but shall be subordinate to mortgages and other
- 18 liens existing and duly recorded or entered of record prior to
- 19 the recording of the lien.
- 20 (c) No discharge by sale on junior lien. -- In the case of a
- 21 judicial sale of property subject to a lien imposed under this
- 22 section, upon a lien or claim over which the lien imposed under
- 23 this section has priority, the sale shall discharge the lien
- 24 imposed under this section to the extent only that the proceeds
- 25 are applied to its payment, and the lien shall continue in full
- 26 force and effect as to the balance remaining unpaid. There shall
- 27 be no inquisition or condemnation upon any judicial sale of real
- 28 estate made by the Commonwealth under the provisions of this
- 29 chapter. The lien shall continue as provided in the act of April
- 30 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, and a writ

- 1 of execution may directly issue upon the lien without the
- 2 <u>issuance and prosecution to judgment of a writ of scire facias</u>,
- 3 provided that not less than ten days before issuance of any
- 4 <u>execution on the lien</u>, notice of the filing and the effect of
- 5 the lien shall be sent by registered mail to the taxpayer at its
- 6 <u>last known post office address, provided further that the lien</u>
- 7 <u>shall have no effect upon any stock of goods, wares or</u>
- 8 merchandise regularly sold or leased in the ordinary course of
- 9 <u>business</u> by the taxpayer against whom the lien has been entered,
- 10 unless and until a writ of execution has been issued and a levy
- 11 made upon the stock of goods, wares and merchandise.
- 12 (d) Duty of prothonotary. -- Any willful failure of any
- 13 prothonotary to carry out any duty imposed upon him by this
- 14 <u>section shall be a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, he shall be</u>
- 15 sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and costs of
- 16 prosecution or to imprisonment for not more than one year, or
- 17 both.
- 18 (e) Priority. -- Except as provided in this chapter, the
- 19 distribution, voluntary or compulsory, in receivership,
- 20 bankruptcy or otherwise of the property or estate of any person,
- 21 all taxes imposed by this chapter which are due and unpaid and
- 22 are not collectible under the provisions of section 225 of the
- 23 act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code
- 24 of 1971, shall be paid from the first money available for
- 25 distribution in priority to all other claims and liens, except
- 26 as the laws of the United States may give priority to a claim to
- 27 the Federal Government. A person charged with the administration
- 28 or distribution of the property or estate who violates the
- 29 provisions of this section shall be personally liable for the
- 30 taxes imposed by this chapter which are accrued and unpaid and

- 1 <u>chargeable against the person whose property or estate is being</u>
- 2 administered or distributed.
- 3 (f) Other remedies. -- Subject to the limitations contained in
- 4 this chapter as to the assessment of taxes, nothing contained in
- 5 this section shall be construed to restrict, prohibit or limit
- 6 the use by the department in collecting taxes due and payable of
- 7 <u>another remedy or procedure available at law or equity for the</u>
- 8 collection of debts.
- 9 § 1617. Tax suit reciprocity.
- 10 The courts of this Commonwealth shall recognize and enforce
- 11 liabilities for natural gas severance or extraction taxes
- 12 lawfully imposed by any other state, provided that the other
- 13 <u>state recognizes and enforces the tax imposed under this</u>
- 14 <u>chapter</u>.
- 15 § 1618. Service.
- A producer is deemed to have appointed the Secretary of the
- 17 Commonwealth its agent for the acceptance of service of process
- 18 or notice in a proceeding for the enforcement of the civil
- 19 provisions of this chapter and service made upon the Secretary
- 20 of the Commonwealth as agent shall be of the same legal force
- 21 and validity as if the service had been personally made upon the
- 22 producer. Where service cannot be made upon the producer in the
- 23 manner provided by other laws of this Commonwealth relating to
- 24 service of process, service may be made upon the Secretary of
- 25 the Commonwealth. In that case, a copy of the process or notice
- 26 shall be personally served upon any agent or representative of
- 27 the producer who may be found within this Commonwealth or, where
- 28 no agent or representative may be found, a copy of the process
- 29 or notice shall be sent via registered mail to the producer at
- 30 the last known address of its principal place of business, home

- 1 office or residence.
- 2 § 1619. Refunds.
- 3 Under Article XXVII of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6,
- 4 No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, the department
- 5 shall refund all taxes, interest and penalties paid to the
- 6 Commonwealth under the provisions of this chapter to which the
- 7 <u>Commonwealth is not rightfully entitled. The refunds shall be</u>
- 8 <u>made to the person or the person's heirs, successors, assigns or</u>
- 9 <u>other personal representatives who paid the tax, provided that</u>
- 10 no refund shall be made under this section regarding a payment
- 11 made by reason of an assessment where a taxpayer has filed a
- 12 <u>petition for reassessment under section 2702 of the Tax Reform</u>
- 13 Code of 1971 to the extent the petition is adverse to the
- 14 taxpayer by a decision which is no longer subject to further
- 15 <u>review or appeal. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a</u>
- 16 taxpayer who has filed a timely petition for reassessment from
- 17 amending it to a petition for refund where the petitioner paid
- 18 the tax assessed.
- 19 § 1620. Refund petition.
- 20 (a) General rule. -- Except as provided for in subsection (b),
- 21 the refund or credit of tax, interest or penalty provided for by
- 22 section 1519 (relating to refunds) shall be made only where the
- 23 person who has paid the tax files a petition for refund with the
- 24 department under Article XXVII of the act of March 4, 1971
- 25 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, within the
- 26 time limits of section 3003.1 of the Tax Reform Code of 1971.
- 27 (b) Natural gas severance tax. -- A refund or credit of tax,
- 28 interest or penalty paid as a result of an assessment made by
- 29 the department under section 1606 (relating to assessment) shall
- 30 be made only where the person who has paid the tax files with

- 1 the department a petition for a refund with the department under
- 2 Article XXVII of the Tax Reform Code of 1971 within the time
- 3 limits of section 3003.1 of the Tax Reform Code of 1971. The
- 4 <u>filing of a petition for refund under the provisions of this</u>
- 5 subsection shall not affect the abatement of interest, additions
- 6 or penalties to which the person may be entitled by reason of
- 7 <u>his payment of the assessment.</u>
- 8 § 1621. Rules and regulations.
- 9 The department is charged with the enforcement of the
- 10 provisions of this chapter and is authorized and empowered to
- 11 prescribe, adopt, promulgate and enforce rules and regulations
- 12 not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter relating to
- 13 any matter or thing pertaining to the administration and
- 14 enforcement of the provisions of this chapter and the collection
- 15 of taxes, penalties and interest imposed by this chapter. The
- 16 <u>department may prescribe the extent, if any, to which any of the</u>
- 17 rules and regulations shall be applied without retroactive
- 18 effect.
- 19 § 1622. Recordkeeping.
- 20 (a) General rule. -- Every person liable for any tax imposed
- 21 by this chapter, or for the collection of the tax, shall keep
- 22 records, including those enumerated in subsection (b), render
- 23 <u>statements</u>, <u>make returns and comply with the rules and</u>
- 24 regulations as the department may prescribe regarding matters
- 25 pertinent to the person's business. Whenever it is necessary,
- 26 the department may require a person, by notice served upon the
- 27 person or by regulations, to make returns, render statements or
- 28 keep records as the department deems sufficient to show whether
- 29 or not a person is liable to pay tax under this chapter.
- 30 (a.1) Records. -- Records to be maintained are:

- 1 (1) Wellhead meter charts for each reporting period and
- 2 the meter calibration and maintenance records. If turbine
- 3 <u>meters are in use, the maintenance records will be made</u>
- 4 <u>available to the department upon request.</u>
- 5 (2) Records, statements and other instruments furnished
- 6 <u>to a producer by a person to whom the producer delivers for</u>
- 7 sale, transport or delivery of natural gas.
- 8 (3) Records, statements and other instruments as the
- 9 <u>department may prescribe by regulation.</u>
- 10 (b) Records of nonresidents.--A nonresident who does
- 11 <u>business in this Commonwealth as a producer shall keep adequate</u>
- 12 records of the business and of the tax due as a result. The
- 13 records shall be retained within this Commonwealth unless
- 14 retention outside this Commonwealth is authorized by the
- 15 department. The department may require a taxpayer who desires to
- 16 retain records outside this Commonwealth to assume reasonable
- 17 out-of-State audit expenses.
- 18 (c) Keeping of separate records. -- A producer who is engaged
- 19 in another business or businesses which do not involve the
- 20 severing of natural gas taxable under this chapter shall keep
- 21 separate books and records of the businesses so as to show the
- 22 taxable severing of natural gas under this chapter separately
- 23 from other business activities not taxable hereunder. If any
- 24 person fails to keep separate books and records, the person
- 25 shall be liable for a penalty equaling 100% of tax due under
- 26 this chapter for the period where separate records were not
- 27 maintained.
- 28 § 1623. Examinations.
- 29 The department or any of its authorized agents are authorized
- 30 to examine the books, papers and records of any taxpayer in

- 1 order to verify the accuracy and completeness of any return made
- 2 or, if no return was made, to ascertain and assess the tax
- 3 imposed by this chapter. The department may require the
- 4 preservation of all books, papers and records for any period
- 5 <u>deemed proper by it but not to exceed three years from the end</u>
- 6 of the calendar year to which the records relate. Every taxpayer
- 7 <u>is required to give to the department or its agent the means,</u>
- 8 <u>facilities and opportunity for examinations and investigations</u>
- 9 <u>under this section. The department is further authorized to</u>
- 10 examine any person, under oath, concerning the taxable severing
- 11 of natural gas by any taxpayer or concerning any other matter
- 12 relating to the enforcement or administration of this chapter,
- 13 and to this end may compel the production of books, papers and
- 14 records and the attendance of all persons whether as parties or
- 15 <u>witnesses whom it believes to have knowledge of relevant</u>
- 16 <u>matters. The procedure for the hearings or examinations shall be</u>
- 17 the same as that provided by the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343,
- 18 No. 176), known as The Fiscal Code.
- 19 § 1624. Unauthorized disclosure.
- 20 Any information gained by the department as a result of any
- 21 return, examination, investigation, hearing or verification
- 22 required or authorized by this chapter shall be confidential
- 23 except for official purposes and except in accordance with
- 24 proper judicial order or as otherwise provided by law, and any
- 25 person unlawfully divulging the information shall be guilty of a
- 26 misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a
- 27 <u>fine of not more than \$1,000 and costs of prosecution or to</u>
- 28 imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.
- 29 § 1625. Cooperation with other governments.
- Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1617 (relating to

- 1 tax suit reciprocity), the department may permit the
- 2 Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service of the United
- 3 States, the proper officer of any state or the authorized
- 4 representative of either of them to inspect the tax returns of
- 5 any taxpayer, or may furnish to the commissioner or officer or
- 6 to either of their authorized representative an abstract of the
- 7 return of any taxpayer, or supply him with information
- 8 concerning any item contained in any return or disclosed by the
- 9 report of any examination or investigation of the return of any
- 10 taxpayer. This permission shall be granted only if the laws of
- 11 the United States or another state grant substantially similar
- 12 privileges to the proper officer of the Commonwealth charged
- 13 <u>with the administration of this chapter.</u>
- 14 § 1626. Bonds.
- 15 <u>(a) Taxpayer to file bond.--The department may require a</u>
- 16 <u>nonresident natural person or any foreign corporation</u>,
- 17 association, fiduciary or other entity, not authorized to do
- 18 business within this Commonwealth or not having an established
- 19 place of business in this Commonwealth and subject to the tax
- 20 imposed by section 1603 (relating to imposition of tax), to file
- 21 a bond issued by a surety company authorized to do business in
- 22 this Commonwealth and approved by the Insurance Commissioner as
- 23 to solvency and responsibility, in amounts as it may fix, to
- 24 secure the payment of any tax or penalties due or which may
- 25 become due from a nonresident natural person, corporation,
- 26 association, fiduciary or other entity whenever it deems it
- 27 <u>necessary to protect the revenues obtained under this chapter.</u>
- 28 The department may also require a bond of a person petitioning
- 29 the department for reassessment in the case of any assessment
- 30 over \$500 or where, in its opinion, the ultimate collection is

- 1 in jeopardy. For a period of three years, the department may
- 2 require a bond of any person who has, on three or more occasions
- 3 within a 12-month period, either filed a return or made payment
- 4 to the department more than 30 days late. In the event the
- 5 <u>department determines a taxpayer is required to file a bond, it</u>
- 6 shall give notice to the taxpayer specifying the amount of the
- 7 bond required. The taxpayer shall file the bond within five days
- 8 after notice is given by the department unless, within five
- 9 days, the taxpayer shall request in writing a hearing before the
- 10 secretary or his representative. At the hearing, the necessity,
- 11 propriety and amount of the bond shall be determined by the
- 12 <u>secretary or the secretary's representative. The determination</u>
- 13 <u>shall be final and the taxpayer shall comply with it within 15</u>
- 14 days after notice is mailed to the taxpayer.
- 15 (b) Securities in lieu of bond. -- In lieu of the bond
- 16 required by this section securities approved by the department
- 17 or cash in a prescribed amount may be deposited. The securities
- 18 or cash shall be kept in the custody of the department. The
- 19 department may apply the securities or cash to the tax imposed
- 20 by this chapter and interest or penalties due without notice to
- 21 the depositor. The securities may be sold by the department to
- 22 pay the tax and/or interest or penalties due at public or
- 23 private sale upon five days' written notice to the depositor.
- 24 (c) Failure to file bond. -- The department may file a lien
- 25 under section 1616 (relating to tax liens) against any taxpayer
- 26 who fails to file a bond when required to do so under this
- 27 <u>section. All funds received upon execution of the judgment on</u>
- 28 the lien shall be refunded to the taxpayer with 3% interest,
- 29 should a final determination be made that it does not owe any
- 30 payment to the department.

- 1 § 1627. Appropriation.
- 2 The amount of the proceeds from the tax imposed by this
- 3 chapter as shall be necessary for the payment of refunds,
- 4 <u>enforcement or administration under this chapter is hereby</u>
- 5 appropriated to the department for those purposes.
- 6 § 1628. Deposit of proceeds.
- 7 The proceeds of the tax imposed under section 1603 (relating
- 8 to imposition of tax) and penalties and interest imposed under
- 9 this chapter, less the amounts appropriated under section 1627
- 10 (relating to appropriation) shall be deposited into the Public
- 11 <u>Transportation Trust Fund established in section 1506 (relating</u>
- 12 to fund).
- 13 CHAPTER 21
- 14 MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING
- 15 Sec.
- 16 <u>2101. Multimodal Transportation Fund.</u>
- 17 2102. Deposits to fund.
- 18 2103. Use of revenue.
- 19 2104. Distribution of revenue.
- 20 2105. Project selection criteria and agreement.
- 21 2106. Local match.
- 22 § 2101. Multimodal Transportation Fund.
- 23 A special fund is established within the State Treasury to be
- 24 known as the Multimodal Transportation Fund. Money in the fund
- 25 is appropriated to the department for the purposes authorized
- 26 under this chapter.
- 27 § 2102. Deposits to fund.
- The following shall be deposited in the Multimodal
- 29 <u>Transportation Fund:</u>
- 30 (1) Twenty million dollars annually of the revenue

- 1 <u>deposited in the Public Transportation Trust Fund under</u>
- 2 section 1506(b)(1)(relating to fund).
- 3 (2) Twenty three percent annually of the revenue
- 4 <u>deposited in the fund in accordance with 75 Pa.C.S. § 1904</u>
- 5 (b) (2) (relating to collection and disposition of fees and
- 6 moneys).
- 7 (3) For fiscal year 2015-2016 and each fiscal year
- 8 thereafter, the amount authorized from the oil company
- 9 franchise tax imposed under 75 Pa.C.S. § 9502 (relating to
- 10 imposition of tax) to be expended in accordance with section
- 11 11 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.
- 12 <u>(4) Other appropriations, deposits or transfers to the</u>
- 13 <u>fund.</u>
- 14 <u>(5) The interest earned on money in the fund.</u>
- 15 § 2103. Use of revenue.
- Subject to the provisions of section 2104 (relating to
- 17 distribution of revenue), the money in the fund shall be used by
- 18 the department as follows:
- 19 (1) To provide grants through the department's programs
- 20 relating to aviation, rail freight, passenger rail, port and
- 21 <u>waterway, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, road and bridge</u>
- 22 and other transportation modes.
- 23 (2) For costs incurred by the department in the
- 24 administration of programs specified under paragraph (1).
- 25 (3) To incur costs for activities initiated or
- 26 undertaken directly by the department related to the programs
- 27 <u>under paragraph (1).</u>
- 28 § 2104. Distribution of revenue.
- 29 <u>Upon agreement of the chairman and minority chairman of the</u>
- 30 Transportation Committee of the Senate and the chairman and

- 1 minority chairman of the Transportation Committee of the House
- 2 of Representatives the revenue deposited in the fund shall be
- 3 distributed annually as follows:
- 4 (1) Three million dollars shall be designated for
- 5 programs related to aviation.
- 6 (2) Six million dollars shall be designated for programs
- 7 <u>related to rail freight.</u>
- 8 (3) Six million dollars shall be designated for programs
- 9 <u>related to rail passengers.</u>
- 10 (4) Eight million dollars shall be designated for
- 11 programs related to ports and waterways.
- 12 (5) Two million dollars for programs related to bicycle
- and pedestrian facilities.
- 14 (6) The remaining revenue shall be designated for
- eligible programs under this chapter.
- 16 (7) The department may provide grants from money
- 17 available under paragraph (6) for the following:
- 18 (i) Projects which coordinate local land use with
- transportation assets to enhance existing communities.
- 20 (ii) Streetscape, lighting, sidewalk enhancement,
- 21 pedestrian safety and related projects.
- 22 (iii) Projects improving connectivity or utilization
- of existing transportation assets.
- 24 § 2105. Project selection criteria and agreement.
- 25 The department shall award grants under this chapter on a
- 26 competitive basis. The department may not reserve, designate or
- 27 set aside a specific level of funds or percentage of funds to an
- 28 applicant prior to the completion of the application process,
- 29 nor may the department designate a set percentage of funds to an
- 30 applicant.

- 1 § 2106. Local match.
- 2 <u>Financial assistance under section 2104 (relating to</u>
- 3 distribution of revenues) shall be matched by county, municipal
- 4 or private funding in an amount not less than 30% of the non-
- 5 Federal share of the project cost. Matching funds from a county
- 6 or municipality shall only consist of cash contributions
- 7 provided by one or more counties or municipalities.
- 8 Section 12. Chapter 59 of Title 74 is amended by adding a
- 9 subchapter to read:
- 10 SUBCHAPTER C
- 11 FIRST CLASS CITY CONSOLIDATED
- 12 CAR RENTAL FACILITY
- 13 <u>Sec.</u>
- 14 5931. Scope of subchapter.
- 15 5932. Definitions.
- 16 5933. Customer facility charge and rental facility agreement.
- 17 § 5931. Scope of subchapter.
- 18 This subchapter relates to first class city consolidated
- 19 rental car facilities.
- 20 § 5932. Definitions.
- 21 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter
- 22 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 23 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 24 "Airport." A public international airport located partially
- 25 in a city of the first class and partially in an adjacent
- 26 municipality.
- 27 <u>"Airport owner."</u> Any of the following:
- 28 (1) A city which owns and operates an airport.
- 29 (2) An authority created by a city of the first class to
- 30 own and operate an airport or any portion or activity of the

- 1 <u>airport.</u>
- 2 <u>"Airport property." Property owned and operated by an</u>
- 3 <u>airport owner, including property that is leased, licensed or</u>
- 4 <u>made available for use by the airport owner.</u>
- 5 <u>"City." A city of the first class.</u>
- 6 "Concession agreement." A regulation, contract, permit,
- 7 <u>license or other agreement entered into between an airport owner</u>
- 8 and a vehicle rental company which includes the terms and
- 9 conditions under which the company may conduct any aspect of its
- 10 rental vehicle business at the airport or through the use of
- 11 <u>airport property</u>, including a vehicle rental company which
- 12 provides a customer access to a vehicle or executes a rental
- 13 contract either on or off of airport property.
- 14 "Customer facility charge." A fee assessed on each motor
- 15 vehicle rental under this subchapter used for the purposes
- 16 <u>described under section 5933(i)</u> (relating to customer facility
- 17 charge and rental facility agreement).
- 18 "Motor vehicle." A private passenger motor vehicle that
- 19 meets all of the following:
- 20 (1) Is designed to transport not more than 15
- 21 passengers.
- 22 (2) Is rented for not more than 30 days without a
- driver.
- 24 (3) Is part of a fleet of at least five passenger
- 25 vehicles used for the purpose under paragraph (2).
- 26 "Rental facility." A consolidated facility for the use of a
- 27 <u>vehicle rental company to conduct business on airport property.</u>
- 28 "Rental facility agreement." A written agreement entered
- 29 into between an airport owner and a vehicle rental company which
- 30 shall include:

- 1 (1) The location, scope of operations and general design
- 2 of the rental facility, a rental facility improvement and a
- 3 transportation system which connects to a terminal or related
- 4 <u>structure</u>.
- 5 (2) The manner in which the proceeds of the customer
- facility charge are to be used as provided under section
- 7 5933(i).
- 8 (3) A procedure and requirement for a consultation
- 9 <u>regarding the implementation of this chapter for the</u>
- disclosure to a vehicle rental company of information
- 11 relating to the collection and use of the customer facility
- 12 <u>charge</u>.
- 13 (4) A methodology and procedure by which the amount of
- 14 <u>the customer facility charge will be calculated and adjusted.</u>
- 15 <u>"Rental facility improvement." A facility or structure on</u>
- 16 airport property needed for development or use of the rental
- 17 facility. The term shall include a cost necessary for planning,
- 18 finance, design, construction, equipping or furnishing of a
- 19 rental facility improvement.
- 20 "Rental facility operations and maintenance expenses." The
- 21 cost of operating and maintaining the rental facility, including
- 22 day-to-day costs.
- 23 "Transportation system." A system which transports an
- 24 arriving or departing vehicle rental customer between a terminal
- 25 or related structure and the rental facility.
- 26 "Transportation system costs." The portion of total cost
- 27 incurred to design, finance, construct, operate and maintain a
- 28 transportation system which reflects the usage or benefit of the
- 29 system to vehicle rental companies and their customers.
- 30 "Vehicle rental company." A person engaged in the business

- 1 of renting a motor vehicle in this Commonwealth that provides a
- 2 motor vehicle rental to a customer which utilizes airport
- 3 property in any aspect of its business, including to do any of
- 4 the following:
- 5 (1) Contact customers or pick up or drop off customers
- 6 on airport property.
- 7 (2) Advertise the availability of a vehicle rental
- 8 service, notwithstanding if other aspects of the rental
- 9 <u>company business are not conducted on airport property.</u>
- 10 § 5933. Customer facility charge and rental facility agreement.
- 11 (a) Rental facility agreement. -- A rental facility agreement
- 12 <u>shall be enforceable if it is executed by the airport owner and</u>
- 13 at least 80% of the vehicle rental companies which utilized
- 14 <u>airport property and which provided at least 90% of the motor</u>
- 15 vehicle rentals conducted utilizing airport property in the most
- 16 <u>recently completed calendar year.</u>
- 17 (b) Imposition of customer facility charge.--
- 18 (1) Except as provided under paragraph (2), a city may
- impose a customer facility charge of not more than \$8 per
- 20 rental day on a customer renting a motor vehicle from a
- 21 <u>vehicle rental company doing business at an airport. The</u>
- 22 charge may:
- 23 (i) be imposed notwithstanding the absence of
- 24 authority in a regulation or concession agreement; and
- 25 <u>(ii) not affect the validity or enforceability of a</u>
- 26 <u>concession agreement.</u>
- 27 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a rental facility
- 28 agreement may provide for a customer facility charge which
- 29 exceeds \$8 per rental day.
- 30 (3) A city may unilaterally decrease the customer

- 1 <u>facility charge provided in a rental facility agreement or</u>
- 2 <u>otherwise provided. An increase in the customer facility</u>
- 3 <u>charge, decreased under this paragraph, shall require an</u>
- 4 <u>amendment of the rental facility agreement if the increase</u>
- 5 <u>will cause the customer facility charge to exceed the</u>
- 6 <u>original amount.</u>
- 7 (c) Amendment of rental facility agreement. -- The following
- 8 shall apply:
- 9 (1) An amendment to a rental facility agreement must be
- 10 executed by the vehicle rental companies or their successors,
- which are a party to the original rental facility agreement.
- 12 (2) The terms of the rental facility agreement may be
- 13 <u>amended no more than one time per calendar year to authorize</u>
- 14 the increase of the amount of the customer facility charge to
- fund the current costs authorized under the rental facility
- 16 agreement.
- 17 (d) Enforcement. -- The terms of a rental facility agreement
- 18 may be interpreted and enforced by a court of competent
- 19 jurisdiction through the imposition of a mandatory or
- 20 prohibitive injunction. A monetary damage may not be awarded to
- 21 a vehicle rental company or to a person required to pay the
- 22 customer facility charge for a violation of the terms and
- 23 <u>conditions of the rental facility agreement.</u>
- 24 (e) Limitation on use. -- Notwithstanding the authorization
- 25 for the use of the proceeds of the customer facility charge
- 26 imposed under subsection (b) (1) (i) and, except as provided under
- 27 subsection (f), until a rental facility agreement is executed,
- 28 the proceeds of the customer facility charge may be used only
- 29 for planning, design, feasibility studies and other preliminary
- 30 expenses necessary for the uses authorized under subsection

- 1 (b) (1) (i).
- 2 (f) Time limitation. -- If a rental facility agreement is not
- 3 <u>executed within two years of the date a vehicle rental company</u>
- 4 <u>is required to begin collecting the customer facility charge, a</u>
- 5 city may continue to impose and collect the customer facility
- 6 charge authorized under subsection (b) (1). After notice to the
- 7 <u>vehicle rental companies</u>, the city may use the proceeds of the
- 8 <u>customer facility charge in the manner authorized under</u>
- 9 <u>subsection (b)(1)(i), except that an expense imposed on a</u>
- 10 vehicle rental company for the purposes under subsection (e) may
- 11 not exceed the proceeds of the customer facility charge.
- 12 (q) Additional cost.--A customer facility charge shall be in
- 13 addition to other motor vehicle rental fees and taxes imposed by
- 14 law, except that the customer facility charge may not constitute
- 15 part of the purchase price of a motor vehicle rental imposed
- 16 <u>under any of the following:</u>
- 17 (1) Article II of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6,
- 18 No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971.
- 19 (2) The act of June 5, 1991 (P.L.9, No.6), known as the
- 20 Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority Act for
- 21 Cities of the First Class.
- 22 (3) A law similar to the statutes under paragraphs (1)
- 23 and (2).
- 24 (h) Collection. -- The following shall apply:
- 25 (1) A customer facility charge shall be:
- 26 (i) collected from a customer by a vehicle rental
- 27 <u>company and held in a segregated trust fund for the</u>
- 28 benefit of the airport owner; and
- 29 <u>(ii) paid to the airport owner no later than the</u>
- 30 last day of the month following the month in which

1	customer facility charge revenues are collected, or if
2	necessary to facilitate a pledge of customer facility
3	charge revenues under subsection (j), at an earlier date
4	as designated by the airport owner, but not sooner than
5	the 15th day of the month following the month in which
6	the customer facility charges are collected.
7	(2) A customer facility charge may not constitute gross
8	receipts or income of a vehicle rental company for purposes
9	of a tax imposed by the Commonwealth, the city or any other
10	municipality.
11	(3) A vehicle rental company may not pledge, subject to
12	a lien, or encumber funds in a segregated trust fund under
13	<pre>paragraph (1)(i).</pre>
14	(i) Use The proceeds of the customer facility charge shall
15	be deposited by the airport owner into a segregated account to
16	be used for the planning, development, financing, construction
17	and operation of:
18	(1) a rental facility;
19	(2) a rental facility improvement;
20	(3) transportation system costs; or
21	(4) a rental facility operation and maintenance expense.
22	(j) Pledge An airport owner may pledge customer facility
23	charge revenues for any of the following:
24	(1) Any use authorized under subsection (i).
25	(2) The creation and maintenance of a reasonable reserve
26	and for the payment of debt service for any use authorized
27	under subsection (i).
28	(k) Administration An airport owner may do any of the
29	<pre>following:</pre>
30	(1) Require a vehicle rental company to provide it with

Τ	periodic statements of account, file returns, authorize
2	payments and maintain records, in accordance with its
3	obligations under this subchapter.
4	(2) Conduct an examination to ensure a vehicle rental
5	company's compliance with its obligations under this
6	subchapter and may do any of the following:
7	(i) Collect an amount due.
8	(ii) Impose a lien and file a suit to recover an
9	amount due.
0 .	(iii) Grant a refund.
1	(iv) Require the payment of an authorized addition
_2	to a customer facility charge, interest and penalty.
_3	(v) Adopt reasonable rules and regulations to
4	implement this section.
5	(vi) Seek criminal penalties, as provided for a city
6	of the first class for the collection of taxes, for
_7	failure to comply with the requirements of this
8 .	subchapter.
9	(1) Commonwealth pledge The Commonwealth pledges to and
20	agrees with:
21	(1) Any person, firm or corporation, government agency,
22	whether in this Commonwealth or elsewhere, or Federal agency
23	subscribing to or acquiring debt obligations secured by
24	customer facility charges to be issued by an airport that the
25	Commonwealth will not limit or alter the rights vested in the
26	airport owner under this subchapter in a manner inconsistent
27	with the obligations of the airport owner to the obligees of
28	the airport owner until all debt obligations secured by
29	customer facility charges and interest on the debt
30	obligations are fully paid or provided for.

- 1 (2) Any Federal agency that, if the Federal Agency
- 2 <u>contributes funds for the airport owner or project, the</u>
- 3 Commonwealth will not alter or limit the rights and powers of
- 4 <u>the airport owner in a manner which would be inconsistent</u>
- 5 with the due performance of an agreement between the airport
- 6 <u>owner and a Federal agency.</u>
- 7 Section 13. Title 74 is amended by adding chapters to read:
- 8 CHAPTER 92
- 9 TRAFFIC SIGNALS
- 10 Sec.
- 11 9201. Definitions.
- 12 <u>9202. Maintenance agreement.</u>
- 13 § 9201. Definitions.
- 14 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 15 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 16 <u>context clearly indicates otherwise:</u>
- 17 "Critical corridor." A State highway segment intersecting
- 18 with a limited access ramp or with bi-directional average annual
- 19 daily traffic greater than 10,000 vehicles per day. The
- 20 department's Roadway Management System shall identify the
- 21 current average annual daily traffic.
- 22 "Department." The Department of Transportation of the
- 23 Commonwealth.
- "Existing agreement." An agreement between the department
- 25 <u>and a municipality on the maintenance of a traffic signal</u>
- 26 existing prior to the effective date of this section.
- 27 "Municipality." A city, borough, town or township.
- 28 "Maintenance." The activity of keeping a traffic signal in
- 29 proper working condition during the useful life of the traffic
- 30 signal.

- 1 <u>"Replace." The modernization of an existing traffic signal</u>
- 2 <u>within a designated traffic corridor</u>.
- 3 <u>"Synchronize." The coordination of all traffic signals</u>
- 4 <u>within a designated traffic corridor for the purpose of</u>
- 5 operating as a single system.
- 6 "Timing." The programming of traffic signals within a
- 7 <u>designated traffic corridor in order to synchronize the signals.</u>
- 8 § 9202. Maintenance agreement.
- 9 (a) Agreement. -- A municipality may enter into an agreement
- 10 with the department to replace, synchronize and time traffic
- 11 <u>signals located within a designated traffic corridor. The terms</u>
- 12 of the agreement may specify that the municipality provide
- 13 <u>services to the department. The agreement shall not exceed the</u>
- 14 time period of the useful life of the traffic signals. The
- 15 municipality shall, during the duration of the agreement,
- 16 properly maintain and time the traffic signals in accordance
- 17 with the agreement.
- 18 (b) Critical corridors. -- A municipality shall enter into an
- 19 agreement with the department under terms specified under
- 20 subsection (a) for critical corridors. A municipality shall
- 21 provide to the department in a timely manner all traffic and
- 22 intersection data that the municipality maintains for critical
- 23 corridors and establish and agree to an operations plan with the
- 24 department on critical corridors.
- 25 (c) Prioritization. -- The department shall prioritize
- 26 corridors where proper signalization will provide the most
- 27 benefit to the traveling public and reduce congestion.
- 28 Priorities shall be reevaluated and updated as part of the
- 29 Planning Partner Transportation Improvement Plan cycle.
- 30 (d) Intergovernmental cooperation.--Two or more

- 1 municipalities may enter into an agreement with the department
- 2 if a designated corridor is located in two or more
- 3 <u>municipalities.</u>
- 4 (e) Maintenance. -- If the department determines that one or
- 5 more traffic signals is not being maintained or timed in
- 6 <u>accordance with an agreement under subsection (a) or an existing</u>
- 7 agreement, the department shall provide written notice to all
- 8 <u>municipalities subject to the agreement no less than 60 days</u>
- 9 prior to taking any action to correct the improper maintenance
- 10 and timing. The written notice shall specify the maintenance and
- 11 timing deficiencies that are to be corrected.
- 12 (1) A municipality subject to the agreement under
- 13 <u>subsection (a) shall have 60 days to correct the deficiencies</u>
- contained in the written notice or to contest, in writing,
- the findings of the department within 30 days of receipt of
- 16 the written notice.
- 17 (2) The requirement that the municipality correct the
- deficiencies within 60 days of receipt of the written notice
- shall be temporarily stayed, if the municipality timely
- 20 contests the department's findings in writing.
- 21 (3) A municipality that contests the deficiencies
- 22 specified in the written notice shall have 30 days to reach a
- 23 <u>written understanding with the department related to the</u>
- deficiencies specified in the written notice.
- 25 (4) If the department and the municipality do not reach
- a written understanding under paragraph (3), the department
- 27 <u>and the municipality shall select a civil engineer licensed</u>
- 28 by the Commonwealth who has substantial experience in traffic
- engineering to mediate the dispute. The engineer may not be
- 30 under contract with the department or municipality or

- 1 <u>municipalities unless the contract is specifically related to</u>
- 2 <u>traffic signal mediation</u>.
- 3 (f) Failure of municipality to perform. -- If a municipality
- 4 that has entered into an agreement with the department under
- 5 <u>subsection</u> (a) fails to meet the requirements of subsection (c)
- 6 (1) or (2), the department may take action to correct the
- 7 deficiencies specified in the notice under subsection (c).
- 8 (q) Payment for failure to correct deficiencies. -- If the
- 9 <u>department takes action under subsection (c), the department may</u>
- 10 deduct the actual costs of correcting the deficiencies in
- 11 maintenance and timing from the payments made to the
- 12 municipality under the act of June 1, 1956 (1955 P.L.1944,
- 13 No.655), referred to as the Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal
- 14 Allocation Law, and 75 Pa.C.S. Chs. 89 (relating to Pennsylvania
- 15 <u>Turnpike</u>) and 95 (relating to taxes for highway maintenance and
- 16 construction).
- 17 CHAPTER 93
- 18 BRIDGE BUNDLING PROGRAM
- 19 Sec.
- 20 9301. Definitions.
- 21 9302. Bundling authorization.
- 22 9303. Bridge Bundling Program.
- 23 9304. Grant limitation exceptions.
- 24 § 9301. Definitions.
- 25 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 26 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 27 <u>context clearly indicates otherwise:</u>
- 28 "Bridge budget act." The act of December 8, 1982 (P.L.848,
- 29 No. 235), known as the Highway-Railroad and Highway Bridge
- 30 Capital Budget Act for 1982-1983.

- 1 <u>"Department." The Department of Transportation of the</u>
- 2 Commonwealth.
- 3 "Determination." A decision by the department as to the
- 4 <u>eligibility</u>, recommendation and inclusion in the program.
- 5 "Local government." A county, city, borough, town or
- 6 township.
- 7 "Program." The Bridge Bundling Program.
- 8 <u>§ 9302. Bundling authorization.</u>
- 9 <u>Notwithstanding any other law, the department is authorized</u>
- 10 to bundle the design and construction of highway bridges owned
- 11 by the Commonwealth or local governments as provided under this
- 12 <u>chapter</u>.
- 13 § 9303. Bridge Bundling Program.
- 14 (a) Establishment. -- The Bridge Bundling Program is
- 15 <u>established within the department.</u>
- 16 (b) Purpose. -- The purpose of the program is to save costs
- 17 and time by allowing multiple highway bridges to be replaced or
- 18 rehabilitated as one project for design and construction
- 19 purposes.
- 20 (c) Eligibility. -- Bridges shall be eligible for the program
- 21 if multiple bridges meet all of the following:
- 22 (1) Are within geographical proximity to each other.
- 23 (2) Are of similar size or design.
- 24 (3) Inclusion in the program will meet the purpose of
- 25 the program.
- 26 (d) Implementation. -- The department shall implement the
- 27 program as follows:
- 28 (1) The department shall annually develop a preliminary
- 29 <u>list from different regions of this Commonwealth, on a</u>
- 30 rotating basis, of bridges meeting eligibility requirements.

Τ.	(2) The department shall notify local governments owning
2	bridges recommended for inclusion in that year's program.
3	(3) Following receipt of notification from the
4	department, the governing body of a local government shall
5	have 60 days to agree or refuse participation in the program.
6	Failure to respond in writing within 60 days shall be
7	considered a refusal to participate in the program.
8	(4) Based on the response from local governments under
9	paragraph (3), the department shall make a final
10	determination of bridges to be designed and constructed under
11	the program and provide a list to the appropriate planning
12	organizations for inclusion in lists of funded projects.
13	(4.1) A determination shall not be:
14	(i) considered to an adjudication under 2 Pa.C.S.
15	Chs. 5 Subch. A (relating to practice and procedure of
16	Commonwealth agencies) and 7 Subch. A (relating to
17	judicial review of Commonwealth agency action); and
18	(ii) appealable to the department or a court of law.
19	(5) The following shall apply:
20	(i) A local government that agrees to participate in
21	the program for one or more of its bridges that qualify
22	for the program must enter into an agreement with the
23	department. The agreement shall define the department's
24	responsibility for the design and construction of the
25	bridges and the continuing ownership and maintenance
26	responsibilities of the local government for the local
27	bridges replaced or rehabilitated under this program.
28	(ii) The local government shall have 90 days from
29	receipt of the agreement to execute the agreement.
30	(iii) Failure to return an agreement executed by

- 1 <u>authorized local government officials shall be deemed a</u>
- 2 <u>refusal to participate in the program.</u>
- 3 (6) Upon full execution of an agreement under the
- 4 program, the department shall manage the project design and
- 5 <u>construction in a manner consistent with the purpose of the</u>
- 6 program.
- 7 (f) Itemization. -- Notwithstanding any other law, bridges
- 8 determined to be eligible and recommended for the program by the
- 9 <u>department shall not require specific itemization in a capital</u>
- 10 budget.
- 11 § 9304. Grant limitation exceptions.
- 12 (a) Exceptions. -- Notwithstanding section 2(c) of the bridge
- 13 budget act, the department shall agree to a reduction of the
- 14 local share of costs associated with the design and construction
- 15 of the bridge of up to 100% for a local government that
- 16 participates in the program.
- 17 (b) Nonparticipation. -- Notwithstanding section 2(c) of the
- 18 bridge budget act, a local government with bridges that are
- 19 recommended for participation in the program which refuses to
- 20 participate in the program shall be required to pay 30% of the
- 21 non-Federal share of the costs for those local bridges.
- 22 Section 14. Sections 1786(d) and 1904 of Title 75 are
- 23 amended to read:
- 24 § 1786. Required financial responsibility.
- 25 * * *
- 26 (d) Suspension of registration and operating privilege. --
- 27 (1) The Department of Transportation shall suspend the
- registration of a vehicle for a period of three months if it
- determines the required financial responsibility was not
- 30 secured as required by this chapter and shall suspend the

operating privilege of the owner or registrant for a period of three months if the department determines that the owner or registrant has operated or permitted the operation of the vehicle without the required financial responsibility. The operating privilege shall not be restored until the restoration fee for operating privilege provided by section 1960 (relating to reinstatement of operating privilege or vehicle registration) is paid.

- imposed under this section, an owner or registrant may pay to the department a civil penalty of \$500, the restoration fee prescribed under section 1960 and furnish proof of financial responsibility in a manner determined by the department. An owner or registrant may exercise this option no more than once in a 12-month period.
- registration of any vehicle under this chapter, the department shall not restore or transfer the registration until the suspension has been served or the civil penalty has been paid to the department and the vehicle owner furnishes proof of financial responsibility in a manner determined by the department and submits an application for registration to the department, accompanied by the fee for restoration of registration provided by section 1960. This subsection shall not apply in the following circumstances:
 - (i) The owner or registrant proves to the satisfaction of the department that the lapse in financial responsibility coverage was for a period of less than 31 days and that the owner or registrant did not operate or permit the operation of the vehicle during

1 the period of lapse in financial responsibility.

(ii) The owner or registrant is a member of the armed services of the United States, the owner or registrant has previously had the financial responsibility required by this chapter, financial responsibility had lapsed while the owner or registrant was on temporary, emergency duty and the vehicle was not operated during the period of lapse in financial responsibility. The exemption granted by this paragraph shall continue for 30 days after the owner or registrant returns from duty as long as the vehicle is not operated until the required financial responsibility has been established.

- (iii) The insurance coverage has terminated or financial responsibility has lapsed simultaneously with or subsequent to expiration of a seasonal registration, as provided in section 1307(a.1) (relating to period of registration).
- An owner whose vehicle registration has been suspended under this subsection shall have the same right of appeal under section 1377 (relating to judicial review) as provided for in cases of the suspension of vehicle registration for other purposes. The filing of the appeal shall act as a supersedeas, and the suspension shall not be imposed until determination of the matter as provided in section 1377. The court's scope of review in an appeal from a vehicle registration suspension shall be limited to determining whether:
- 29 (i) the vehicle is registered or of a type that is 30 required to be registered under this title; and

- (ii) there has been either notice to the department of a lapse, termination or cancellation in the financial responsibility coverage as required by law for that vehicle or that the owner, registrant or driver was requested to provide proof of financial responsibility to the department, a police officer or another driver and failed to do so. Notice to the department of the lapse, termination or cancellation or the failure to provide the requested proof of financial responsibility shall create a presumption that the vehicle lacked the requisite financial responsibility. This presumption may be overcome by producing clear and convincing evidence that the vehicle was insured at all relevant times.
 - (4) Where an owner or registrant's operating privilege has been suspended under this subsection, the owner or registrant shall have the same right of appeal under section 1550 (relating to judicial review) as provided for in cases of suspension for other reason. The court's scope of review in an appeal from an operating privilege suspension shall be limited to determining whether:
 - (i) the vehicle was registered or of a type required to be registered under this title; and
 - (ii) the owner or registrant operated or permitted the operation of the same vehicle when it was not covered by financial responsibility. The fact that an owner, registrant or operator of the motor vehicle failed to provide competent evidence of insurance or the fact that the department received notice of a lapse, termination or cancellation of insurance for the vehicle shall create a presumption that the vehicle lacked the requisite

- financial responsibility. This presumption may be
- 2 overcome by producing clear and convincing evidence that
- 3 the vehicle was insured at the time that it was driven.
- 4 (5) An alleged lapse, cancellation or termination of a
- 5 policy of insurance by an insurer may only be challenged by
- 6 requesting review by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to
- 7 Article XX of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284),
- 8 known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921. Proof that a
- 9 timely request has been made to the Insurance Commissioner
- 10 for such a review shall act as a supersedeas, staying the
- 11 suspension of registration or operating privilege under this
- section pending a determination pursuant to section 2009(a)
- of The Insurance Company Law of 1921 or, in the event that
- 14 further review at a hearing is requested by either party, a
- final order pursuant to section 2009(i) of The Insurance
- 16 Company Law of 1921.
- 17 (6) The civil penalty under paragraph (1.1) shall be
- 18 deposited into the Public Transportation Trust Fund.
- 19 * * *
- 20 § 1904. Collection and disposition of fees and moneys.
- 21 [The] (a) General rule.--Except as provided under subsection
- 22 (b), the department shall collect all fees payable under this
- 23 title and all other moneys received in connection with the
- 24 administration of this title and transmit them to the State
- 25 Treasurer for deposit in the Motor License Fund. Moneys paid in
- 26 error may be refunded by the department.
- 27 <u>(b) Disposition.--Fees collected under sections 1951(c)</u>
- 28 <u>(relating to driver's license and learner's permit)</u>, 1952
- 29 (relating to certificate of title), 1953 (relating to security
- 30 interest), 1955 (relating to information concerning drivers and

- 1 <u>vehicles</u>), 1956 (relating to certified copies of records) and
- 2 1958 (relating to certificate of inspection) shall be
- 3 transmitted to the State Treasurer for deposit as follows:
- 4 (1) For fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015:
- 5 <u>(i) 10% to the Public Transportation Trust Fund;</u>
- 6 (ii) 23% to the Multimodal Transportation Fund; and
- 7 <u>(iii) 67% to the Motor License Fund.</u>
- 8 (2) For fiscal years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017:
- 9 <u>(i) 43.6% percent to the Public Transportation Trust</u>
- 10 Fund;
- 11 (ii) 23% to the Multimodal Transportation Fund; and
- 12 <u>(iii)</u> 33.4% to the Motor License Fund.
- 13 (3) For each fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2017:
- 14 <u>(i)</u> 77% to the Public Transportation Trust Fund; and
- 15 <u>(ii)</u> 23% to the Multimodal Transportation Fund.
- 16 (c) Automatic four-year adjustment. -- For the 48-month period
- 17 beginning July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2021 and for each like
- 18 48-month period thereafter, fees collected under sections
- 19 1951(c) (relating to driver's license and learner's permit),
- 20 1952 (relating to certificate of title), 1953 (relating to
- 21 security interest), 1955 (relating to information concerning
- 22 drivers and vehicles), 1956 (relating to certified copies of
- 23 records) and 1958 (relating to certificate of inspection) shall
- 24 be increased by an amount calculated by applying the percentage
- 25 change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-
- 26 U) for the most recent 48-month period, calculated from March 1
- 27 through February 28, beginning on the date the fees charged
- 28 under this title were last increased and for which figures have
- 29 been officially reported by the United States Department of
- 30 Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, immediately prior to the date

- 1 the adjustment is due to take effect, to the then current fee
- 2 amounts authorized.
- 3 Section 15. Sections 1951(c), 1952, 1953, 1955(a), 1956(a)
- 4 and 1958(a) of Title 75 are amended to read:
- 5 § 1951. Driver's license and learner's permit.
- 6 * * *
- 7 (c) Identification card. -- The [fee for an] identification
- 8 card <u>fee</u> shall be [\$5] <u>\$19</u> plus the cost of the photograph.
- 9 * * *
- 10 § 1952. Certificate of title.
- 11 (a) General rule. -- The fee for issuance of a certificate of
- 12 title shall be [\$22.50] \$33.
- 13 (b) Manufacturer's or dealer's notification.--The fee for a
- 14 manufacturer's or dealer's notification of acquisition of a
- 15 vehicle from another manufacturer or dealer for resale pursuant
- 16 to section 1113 (relating to transfer to or from manufacturer or
- 17 dealer) shall be [\$3] \$4.
- 18 § 1953. Security interest.
- 19 The fee for recording or changing the amount of security
- 20 interest on a certificate of title shall be [\$5] \$19.
- 21 § 1955. Information concerning drivers and vehicles.
- 22 (a) Drivers, registrations, titles and security interests.--
- 23 The fee for a copy of written or electronic information relating
- 24 to a driver, registration, title or security interest shall be
- 25 [\$5] \$14.
- 26 * * *
- 27 § 1956. Certified copies of records.
- 28 (a) Department records. -- The fee for a certified copy of any
- 29 department record which the department is authorized by law to
- 30 furnish to the public shall be [\$5] \$19 for each form or

- 1 supporting document comprising such record.
- 2 * * *
- 3 § 1958. Certificate of inspection.
- 4 (a) General rule. -- The department shall charge [\$2] \$5 for
- 5 each annual certificate of inspection [and \$1], \$2 for each
- 6 semiannual certificate of inspection and \$2 for each certificate
- 7 of exemption.
- 8 * * *
- 9 Section 16. Section 3111 of Title 75 is amended by adding a
- 10 subsection to read:
- 11 § 3111. Obedience to traffic-control devices.
- 12 * * *
- 13 (a.1) Penalty.--
- 14 (1) A person who violates this section commits a summary
- offense and shall, upon conviction, pay a fine of \$75.
- 16 (2) Notwithstanding 42 Pa.C.S. § 3733(a) (relating to
- deposits into account), a fine under paragraph (1) shall be
- 18 distributed as follows:
- 19 (i) Twenty-five dollars shall be deposited as
- 20 provided under 42 Pa.C.S. § 3733(a).
- 21 (ii) After deposit of the amount under subparagraph
- (i), the remaining portion of the fine shall be deposited
- 23 into the Public Transportation Trust Fund.
- 24 * * *
- 25 Section 17. The definitions of "annual additional payments,"
- 26 "annual base payments" and "scheduled annual commission
- 27 contributions" in section 8901 of Title 75 are amended to read:
- 28 § 8901. Definitions.
- The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 30 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the

- 1 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 2 "Annual additional payments." As follows:
- 3 (1) During the conversion period and after the 4 conversion date, an amount equal to the scheduled annual
- 5 commission contribution, minus the sum of:
- 6 (i) \$200,000,000 paid as annual base payments;
- 7 (ii) any Interstate 80 savings for that fiscal year.
- 8 (2) If the conversion period has expired and a
- 9 conversion notice has not been received by the secretary, in
- 10 each subsequent fiscal year [until the end of the term of the
- lease agreement] through fiscal year 2020-2021, the annual
- additional payments shall be \$250,000,000. No annual
- additional payments shall be due after fiscal year 2020-2021.
- "Annual base payments." An amount equal to the sum of the
- 15 following:
- 16 (1) Annual debt service on outstanding bonds issued
- under section 9511.2 (relating to special revenue bonds)
- payable as required pursuant to the bonds.
- 19 (2) Two hundred million dollars payable annually in four
- 20 equal installments each due the last business day of each
- July, October, January and April. No annual base payments
- 22 shall be due after fiscal year 2020-2021.
- 23 * * *
- 24 "Scheduled annual commission contribution." The following
- 25 amounts:
- (1) \$750,000,000 in fiscal year 2007-2008.
- 27 (2) \$850,000,000 in fiscal year 2008-2009.
- 28 (3) \$900,000,000 in fiscal year 2009-2010.
- 29 (4) For fiscal year 2010-2011 and each fiscal year
- 30 thereafter, the amount shall be the amount calculated for the

- 1 previous year increased by 2.5%, except that the amount shall
- be equal to the annual base payments plus \$250,000,000 if the
- 3 conversion notice is not received by the secretary prior to
- 4 the expiration of the conversion period. No scheduled annual
- 5 commission contribution shall be due after fiscal year 2020-
- 6 2021.
- 7 Section 18. Section 8815.6 of Title 75 is repealed:
- 8 [§ 8915.6. Deposit and distribution of funds.
- 9 (a) Deposits.--Upon receipt by the department, the following
- 10 amounts from the scheduled annual commission contribution shall
- 11 be deposited in the Motor License Fund:
- 12 (1) For fiscal year 2007-2008, \$450,000,000.
- 13 (2) For fiscal year 2008-2009, \$500,000,000.
- 14 (3) For fiscal year 2009-2010, \$500,000,000.
- 15 (4) For fiscal year 2010-2011 and each fiscal year
- 16 thereafter, the amount calculated for the previous year
- increased by 2.5%.
- 18 (b) Distribution. -- The following shall apply:
- 19 (1) Annually, 15% of the amount deposited in any fiscal
- year under subsection (a) shall be distributed at the
- 21 discretion of the secretary.
- 22 (2) Annually, \$5,000,000 of the amount deposited in any
- fiscal year under subsection (a) shall be distributed to
- 24 counties.
- 25 (i) The distribution shall be in the ratio of:
- 26 (A) the square footage of deck area of a
- county's county-owned bridges; to
- 28 (B) the total square footage of deck area of
- county-owned bridges throughout this Commonwealth.
- 30 (ii) The amount of square footage under subparagraph

- 1 (i) shall be that reported as part of the National Bridge
- 2 Inspection Standards Program.
- 3 (3) Annually, \$30,000,000 of the amount deposited in any
- 4 fiscal year under subsection (a) shall be distributed to
- 5 municipalities pursuant to the act of June 1, 1956 (1955)
- 6 P.L.1944, No.655), referred to as the Liquid Fuels Tax
- 7 Municipal Allocation Law.
- 8 (4) Any funds deposited under subsection (a) but not
- 9 distributed under paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) shall be
- 10 distributed in accordance with needs-based formulas that are
- developed and subject to periodic revision based on
- 12 consultation and collaboration among metropolitan planning
- organizations, rural planning organizations and the
- 14 department.
- 15 (c) Definitions.--The following words and phrases when used
- 16 in this section shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 17 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 18 "Metropolitan planning organization." The policy board of an
- 19 organization created and designated to carry out the
- 20 metropolitan transportation planning process.
- 21 "Rural planning organization." The organization of counties
- 22 with populations of less than 50,000 created and designated as
- 23 local development districts and which carry out the rural
- 24 transportation planning process.]
- 25 Section 19. (Reserved).
- Section 20. The definition of "average wholesale price" in
- 27 section 9002 of Title 75 is amended to read:
- 28 § 9002. Definitions.
- 29 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 30 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the

- 1 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 2 * * *
- 3 "Average wholesale price." [The average wholesale price per
- 4 gallon of all taxable liquid fuels and fuels, excluding the
- 5 Federal excise tax and all liquid fuels taxes, as determined by
- 6 the Department of Revenue for the 12-month period ending on the
- 7 September 30 immediately prior to January 1 of the year for
- 8 which the rate is to be set. In no case shall the average
- 9 wholesale price be less than 90¢ nor more than \$1.25 per
- 10 gallon.] The average wholesale price per gallon of all taxable
- 11 liquid fuels and fuels, excluding the Federal excise tax and all
- 12 liquid fuels taxes shall be as follows:
- (1) For the period beginning July 1, 2013, and ending
- December 31, 2013, the average wholesale price shall be
- 15 \$1.87.
- 16 (2) For the period beginning January 1, 2014, and ending
- 17 December 31, 2014, the average wholesale price shall be
- 18 \$2.49.
- 19 (3) For the period beginning January 1, 2015, and ending
- December 31, 2015, the average wholesale price shall be
- 21 \$3.11.
- 22 (4) Beginning January 1, 2016, in no case shall the
- average wholesale price be less than [90¢ nor more than
- 24 \$1.25] \$2.70 per gallon.
- 25 Section 21. Section 9106 heading, (a) and (b) of Title 75
- 26 are amended to read:
- 9106. Dirt [and], gravel and low-volume road maintenance.
- 28 (a) Statement of purpose. -- It is the intent and purpose of
- 29 this section:
- 30 (1) To fund safe, efficient and environmentally sound

- 1 maintenance of sections of dirt and gravel roads which have
- 2 been identified as sources of dust and sediment pollution.
- 3 (2) To establish a dedicated and earmarked funding
- 4 mechanism that provides streamlined appropriation to the
- 5 county level and enables local officials to establish fiscal
- 6 and environmental controls.
- 7 (3) To fund safe, efficient and environmentally sound
- 8 <u>maintenance of sections of low-volume roads that are sealed</u>
- 9 or paved with an average daily traffic count of 500 vehicles
- or less.
- 11 (b) General rule. -- Of the funds available under section
- 12 9502(a)(1) (relating to imposition of tax), [\$1,000,000]
- 13 \$7,000,000 shall be annually distributed to the Department of
- 14 Conservation and Natural Resources for the maintenance and
- 15 mitigation of dust and sediment pollution from parks and
- 16 forestry roads. Funds in the amount of [\$4,000,000] \$28,000,000
- 17 shall be appropriated annually to the State Conservation
- 18 Commission and administered in a nonlapsing, nontransferable
- 19 account restricted to maintenance and improvement of dirt [and],__
- 20 gravel and low volume State and municipal roads. The State
- 21 Conservation Commission shall apportion the funds based on
- 22 written criteria it develops to establish priorities based on
- 23 preventing dust and sediment pollution. In the first fiscal
- 24 year, top priority shall be given to specific trouble spot
- 25 locations already mapped by the Task Force on Dirt and Gravel
- 26 Roads and available from the department. A minimum of \$8,000,000
- 27 of the total appropriated annually shall be for maintenance and
- 28 improvement of low volume roads.
- 29 * * *
- 30 Section 27.1. (Reserved).

- 1 Section 27.2. Sections 9301 and 9502(a) of Title 75 are
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 § 9301. Supplemental funding for municipal highway maintenance.
- 4 (a) Annual appropriation. -- The General Assembly shall
- 5 annually appropriate, beginning with the 1980-1981 fiscal year,
- 6 the sum of \$5,000,000 for supplemental payments to
- 7 municipalities to assist in the maintenance and construction
- 8 costs of municipal roads. The moneys appropriated by authority
- 9 of this section shall be distributed to municipalities in
- 10 accordance with the provisions of the act of June 1, 1956 (1955
- 11 P.L.1944, No.655), entitled "An act providing a permanent
- 12 allocation of a part of the fuels and liquids fuels tax proceeds
- 13 to cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships, for their
- 14 road, street and bridge purposes; conferring powers and imposing
- 15 duties on local officers and the Department of Highways; and
- 16 making an appropriation out of the Motor License Fund; and
- 17 repealing existing legislation."
- (b) County allocation supplement. -- The amount of \$5,000,000
- 19 is hereby appropriated out of the Motor License Fund to counties
- 20 annually. The following shall apply:
- 21 (1) The distribution shall be in the ratio of:
- 22 <u>(i) the square footage of deck area of a county's</u>
- county-owned bridges; to
- 24 (ii) the total square footage of deck area of
- 25 <u>county-owned bridges throughout this Commonwealth.</u>
- 26 (2) The amount of square footage under subparagraph (i)
- 27 <u>shall be that reported as part of the National Bridge</u>
- 28 <u>Inspection Standards Program.</u>
- 29 (c) Additional allocation to municipalities. -- An amount of
- 30 \$30,000,000 is hereby appropriated out of the Motor License Fund

- 1 and shall be distributed to municipalities pursuant to the act
- 2 of June 1, 1956 (1955 P.L.1944, No.655), referred to as the
- 3 Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law.
- 4 § 9502. Imposition of tax.
- 5 (a) General rule.--
- 6 (1) An "oil company franchise tax for highway

7 maintenance and construction" which shall be an excise tax of

8 60 mills is hereby imposed upon all liquid fuels and fuels as

9 defined and provided in Chapter 90 (relating to liquid fuels

and fuels tax), and such tax shall be collected as provided

in section 9004(b) (relating to imposition of tax, exemptions

and deductions). Of the amount collected in fiscal year 2015-

13 <u>2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, at the discretion of</u>

the secretary, a minimum of \$20,000,000 and a maximum of

- \$35,000,000 shall be deposited in the Multimodal
- 16 <u>Transportation Fund established under 74 Pa.C.S. § 2101</u>
- 17 (relating to Multimodal Transportation Fund), to be expended
- in accordance with section 11 of Article VIII of the
- 19 Constitution of Pennsylvania.
- 20 (2) An additional 55 mills is hereby imposed on all
- 21 liquid fuels and fuels as defined and provided in Chapter 90
- and such tax shall also be collected as provided in section
- 9004(b), the proceeds of which shall be distributed as
- 24 follows:

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- (i) [Forty-two] <u>Twenty-nine</u> percent to county
- 26 maintenance districts for highway maintenance <u>for fiscal</u>
- 27 <u>year 2013-2014 and 19% for fiscal year 2014-2015 and each</u>
- 28 <u>year thereafter</u>. This allocation shall be made according
- 29 to the formula provided in section 9102(b)(2) (relating
- 30 to distribution of State highway maintenance funds). This

1 allocation shall be made in addition to and not a 2 replacement for amounts normally distributed to county maintenance districts under section 9102. 3 [Seventeen] Thirty percent for highway capital 4 projects[.] for fiscal year 2013-2014 and 40% for fiscal 5 year 2014-2015 and each year thereafter. Annually, until 6 fiscal year 2023-2024, an amount equal to 15% of all 7 8 appropriations to the department for highway and bridge capital programs shall be distributed at the discretion 9 of the secretary from the amount distributed under this 10 11 subparagraph. 12 Thirteen percent for bridges. (iii) Two percent for bridges identified as county 13 14 [or forestry] bridges. <u>Distribution under this</u> subparagraph shall be in the ratio of: 15 16 (A) the square footage of deck areas, as reported as part of the National Bridge Inspection 17 18 Standards Program, of a county's county-owned 19 bridges; to 20 (B) the total square footage of deck area, as 21 reported as part of the National Bridge Inspection 22 Standards Program, of all county-owned bridges in 23 this Commonwealth. 24 Twelve percent for local roads pursuant to 25 section 9511(c) (relating to basic allocation to 26 municipalities). (vi) Fourteen percent for toll roads designated 27 28 pursuant to the act of September 30, 1985 (P.L.240, 29 No.61), known as the Turnpike Organization, Extension and

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Toll Road Conversion Act, to be appropriated under

1 section 9511(h).

2 (3) An additional 38.5 mills is hereby imposed upon all liquid fuels and fuels as defined and provided in Chapter 90, and such tax shall also be collected as provided in section 9004(b), the proceeds of which shall be deposited in The

Motor License Fund and distributed as follows:

- (i) Twelve percent to municipalities on the basis of and subject to the provisions of the act of June 1, 1956 (1955 P.L.1944, No.655), referred to as the Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law, is appropriated.
 - (ii) [Eighty-eight percent to the department is appropriated as follows:
 - (A) Forty-seven percent for distribution in accordance with section 9102(b)(2) for fiscal year 1997-1998.
 - (B) Fifty-three percent for a Statewide highway restoration, betterment and resurfacing program for fiscal year 1997-1998.
 - (C) Fifty-seven percent for distribution in accordance with section 9102(b)(2) for fiscal year 1998-1999.
 - (D) Forty-three percent for a Statewide highway restoration, betterment and resurfacing program for fiscal year 1998-1999.
 - (E) Sixty-seven percent for distribution in accordance with section 9102(b)(2) for fiscal year 1999-2000.
 - (F) Thirty-three percent for a Statewide highway restoration, betterment and resurfacing program for fiscal year 1999-2000.

- 1 (G) Seventy-seven percent for distribution in 2 accordance with section 9201(b)(2) for fiscal year 3 2000-2001.
 - (H) Twenty-three percent for a Statewide highway restoration, betterment and resurfacing program for fiscal year 2000-2001.
 - (I) One hundred percent for distribution in accordance with section 9102(b)(2) for fiscal year 2001-2002 and each year thereafter.
 - through and including fiscal year 2000-2001, the department shall make supplemental maintenance program payments from the Statewide highway restoration betterment program to those county maintenance districts for which the total highway maintenance appropriations and executive authorizations in accordance with section 9102(b) would be less than the amount received in 1996-1997 from the highway maintenance appropriation, the Secondary Roads-Maintenance and Resurfacing Executive Authorization, the Highway Maintenance Excise Tax Executive Authorization and the Highway Maintenance Supplemental Appropriation.

The words and phrases used in this paragraph shall have the meanings given to them in section 9101 (relating to definitions). This one-time allocation shall be made in addition to and is not a replacement for amounts normally distributed to county maintenance districts under section 9102.] Fifty-three percent to the department for distribution in accordance with section 9102(b)(2) for fiscal year 2013-

Τ	2014 and 40% for fiscal year 2014-2015 and each fiscal year
2	thereafter.
3	(iii) Thirty-five percent to the department for
4	expanded highway and bridge maintenance for fiscal year
5	2013-2014 and 48% for fiscal year 2014-2015 and each
6	fiscal year thereafter to be distributed as follows:
7	(A) Annually, 15% of the amount deposited in a
8	fiscal year shall be distributed at the discretion of
9	the secretary.
10	(B) Any funds deposited but not distributed
11	under clause (A) shall be distributed in accordance
12	with the formula under section 9102(b)(2).
13	(C) Temporary transfers of funds may be made
14	between counties if required for project cash flow.
15	(4) An additional 55 mills is hereby imposed upon all
16	fuels as defined and provided in chapter 90 and such tax
17	shall also be collected as provided in section 9004(b) upon
18	such fuels, the proceeds of which shall be deposited in The
19	Highway Bridge Improvement Restricted Account within the
20	Motor License Fund and is hereby appropriated.
21	Section 28. Section 9511(b) and (g) of Title 75 are amended
22	and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
23	§ 9511. Allocation of proceeds.
24	* * *
25	(b) State Highway Transfer Restoration Restricted Account
26	and local bridges
27	(1) The amount of the proceeds deposited in the Motor
28	License Fund pursuant to this chapter which[, in fiscal year
29	1983-1984,] is attributable to [two] three mills of the tax
30	imposed under section 9502(a) (relating to imposition of tax)

1	[and which, in fiscal year 1984-1985 and thereafter, is
2	attributable to three mills of the tax,] shall be deposited
3	as follows:
4	(i) For fiscal years 2013-2014 through fiscal year
5	2016-2017, as follows:
6	(A) Twenty-seven million dollars shall be
7	deposited in the State Highway Transfer Restoration
8	Restricted Account within the Motor License Fund. The
9	funds deposited in the State Highway Transfer
10	Restoration Restricted Account shall be appropriated
11	annually for expenditure as provided under subsection
12	<u>(g).</u>
13	(B) All funds not deposited in accordance with
14	clause (A) shall be deposited in the Highway Bridge
15	Improvement Restricted Account within the Motor
16	License Fund for local bridges, notwithstanding if
17	the project is administered by a county, municipality
18	or the department.
19	(ii) For fiscal year 2017-2018 and each fiscal year
20	thereafter, as follows:
21	(A) One and one-half mill shall be deposited in
22	the State Highway Transfer Restoration Restricted
23	Account within the Motor License Fund, which account
24	is hereby created. The funds deposited in the State
25	Highway Transfer Restoration Restricted Account are
26	hereby annually appropriated out of the account upon
27	authorization by the Governor for expenditure as
28	provided in subsection (g).
29	(B) One and one-half mill shall be deposited in
30	the Highway Bridge Improvement Restricted Account

- 1 within the Motor License Fund for local bridges,
- 2 <u>notwithstanding if the project is administered by a</u>
- 3 <u>county</u>, <u>municipality</u> or the <u>department</u>.
- 4 (2) If funds are available to make payments under
- 5 <u>subsection (g)(1), the department may transfer funds</u>
- 6 <u>deposited under subparagraphs (i) and (ii) between the State</u>
- 7 <u>Highway Transfer Restoration Restricted Account and the</u>
- 8 <u>Highway Bridge Improvement Restricted Account at the</u>
- 9 <u>discretion of the secretary.</u>
- 10 * * *
- 11 (g) Use of funds <u>in the State Highway Transfer Restoration</u>
- 12 <u>Restricted Account</u>. -- The funds appropriated in subsection (b)
- 13 for deposit in the State Highway Transfer Restoration Restricted
- 14 Account shall be used to pay for the costs of restoration of
- 15 such highways as provided in Chapter 92 (relating to transfer of
- 16 State highways) and annual payments to the municipalities for
- 17 highway maintenance in accordance with the following:
- 18 (1) Annual maintenance payments shall be at the rate of
- 19 \$4,000 per mile for each highway or portion of highway
- transferred under Chapter 92, section 222 of the act of June
- 21 1, 1945 (P.L.1242, No.428), known as the State Highway Law,
- or any statute enacted in 1981.
- 23 (2) Annual maintenance payments shall be paid at the
- same time as funds appropriated under the act of June 1, 1956
- 25 (1955 P.L.1944, No.655), referred to as the Liquid Fuels Tax
- Municipal Allocation Law, except that no maintenance payment
- shall be paid for a highway until after the year following
- its transfer to the municipality.
- 29 (3) Annual maintenance payments under this subsection
- 30 shall be in lieu of annual payments under the Liquid Fuels

- 1 Tax Municipal Allocation Law.
- 2 (4) Annual maintenance payments under this subsection
- 3 shall be deposited into the municipality's liquid fuels tax
- 4 account and may be used on any streets and highways in the
- 5 municipality in the same manner and subject to the same
- 6 restrictions as liquid fuels tax funds paid under the Liquid
- 7 Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law or, in the case of a
- 8 county, under section 10 of the act of May 21, 1931 (P.L.149,
- 9 No.105), known as The Liquid Fuels Tax Act.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (i) Refund to Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. --
- 12 (1) When the tax imposed by this chapter has been paid
- and the fuel on which the tax has been imposed has been
- consumed in the operation of motorboats or watercraft upon
- the waters of this Commonwealth, including waterways
- bordering on this Commonwealth, the full amount of the tax
- 17 shall be refunded to the Boat Fund on petition to the board
- in accordance with prescribed procedures.
- 19 (2) In accordance with such procedures, the Pennsylvania
- Fish and Boat Commission shall biannually calculate the
- amount of liquid fuels consumed by the motorcraft and furnish
- 22 the information relating to its calculations and data as
- 23 required by the board. The board shall review the petition
- and motorboat fuel consumption calculations of the
- 25 commission, determine the amount of the oil company franchise
- 26 tax paid and certify to the State Treasurer to refund
- annually to the Boat Fund the amount so determined. The
- department shall be accorded the right to appear at the
- 29 proceedings and make its views known.
- 30 (3) For the fiscal years commencing July 1, 2013, July

- 1 1, 2014, July 1, 2015, July 1, 2016, and July 1, 2017, the
- 2 money under paragraph (2) shall be used by the commission
- 3 acting by itself or by agreement with other Federal and State
- 4 <u>agencies only for the improvement of hazardous dams</u>
- 5 impounding waters of this Commonwealth on which boating is
- 6 permitted, including the development and construction of
- 7 <u>boating areas and the dredging and clearing of water areas</u>
- 8 where boats can be used. The commission shall present its
- 9 plan no later than September 30 of each year through
- 10 <u>September 30, 2017, to the chairman and minority chairman of</u>
- 11 <u>the Transportation and Game and Fisheries Committees of the</u>
- 12 <u>Senate and the chairman and minority chairman of the</u>
- 13 <u>Transportation and Game and Fisheries Committees of the House</u>
- of Representatives regarding the use of the funds. For the
- fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018, and for each fiscal year
- thereafter, this money shall be used by the commission acting
- 17 by itself or by agreement with other Federal and State
- 18 agencies only for the improvement of the waters of this
- 19 <u>Commonwealth on which motorboats are permitted to operate and</u>
- 20 may be used for the development and construction of motorboat
- 21 areas; the dredging and clearing of water areas where
- 22 motorboats can be used; the placement and replacement of
- 23 <u>navigational aids; the purchase, development and maintenance</u>
- of public access sites and facilities to and on waters where
- 25 motorboating is permitted; the patrolling of motorboating
- 26 waters; the publishing of nautical charts in those areas of
- 27 this Commonwealth not covered by nautical charts published by
- the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey or the United
- 29 States Army Corps of Engineers and the administrative
- 30 expenses arising out of such activities; and other similar

- 1 <u>purposes</u>.
- 2 Section 25. The addition of 74 Pa.C.S. § 9202 shall apply to
- 3 contracts entered into on or after the effective date of this
- 4 section.
- 5 Section 26. This act shall take effect as follows:
- 6 (1) The following provisions shall take effect
- 7 immediately:
- 8 (i) This section.
- 9 (ii) The addition of 74 Pa.C.S. Ch. 16.
- 10 (iii) The addition of 74 Pa.C.S. Ch. 59 Subch. C.
- 11 (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 30
- days.