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AN ACT

1 Providing for certain labels relating to funding by taxpayers to
2 be included on certain public materials and publicly
3 accessible Internet websites of the Commonwealth.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Short title.

7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Taxpayer
8 Funding Label Act.

9 Section 2. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
11 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
12 context clearly indicates otherwise:

13 "Commonwealth agency." Any of the following:

14 (1) The Governor and any department, board or
15 commission, authority or agency of the Commonwealth
16 government.

17 (2) A court or other officer or agency of the unified
18 judicial system.

1 (3) The General Assembly and any of its officers or
2 agencies.

3 "Commonwealth official." An elected or appointed member or
4 employee of the executive, legislative or judicial branch of the
5 Commonwealth government.

6 "Commonwealth website." A publicly accessible Internet
7 website of a Commonwealth agency or Commonwealth official.

8 "Public material." A document, paper, letter, map, book,
9 tape, photograph, film or sound recording, information stored or
10 maintained electronically and a data-processed or image-
11 processed document, or other information, regardless of physical
12 form or characteristics, that documents a transaction or
13 activity of a Commonwealth agency or Commonwealth official, is
14 created, received or retained pursuant to law or in connection
15 with a transaction, business or activity of a Commonwealth
16 agency or Commonwealth official, is made available to members of
17 the general public and is paid for by Commonwealth funds.

18 Section 3. Taxpayer funding labels required.

19 All public materials and Commonwealth websites shall include
20 a label that states: "Prepared or Complied Using Taxpayer
21 Resources."

22 Section 4. Applicability.

23 This act shall apply to public materials produced after the
24 effective date of this section and to Commonwealth websites
25 regardless of their creation date.

26 Section 5. Construction.

27 Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit
28 Commonwealth agencies or Commonwealth officials from using
29 existing stock of public materials produced prior to the
30 effective date of this section.

1 Section 6. Effective date.

2 This act shall take effect in 60 days.