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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY VEREB, BAKER, MURT, MILLARD, COHEN, JAMES, HEFFLEY  
AND TALLMAN, FEBRUARY 9, 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judicial computer  
3 system, further providing for utilization of funds in account  
4 and for surcharge; and repealing annual appropriations  
5 provisions.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 3732(a) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
9 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by  
10 adding a subsection to read:

11 § 3732. Utilization of funds in account.

12 (a) General rule.--Except [for the repayments under  
13 subsection (b)] as set forth under subsections (b) and (c), all  
14 moneys deposited into the Judicial Computer System Augmentation  
15 Account shall be used only for the initial startup and the  
16 ongoing operations of the Statewide judicial computer system.

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18 (c) Cadet classes.--Notwithstanding any other provision of  
19 law to the contrary, all moneys deposited into the Judicial

1 Computer System Augmentation Account shall be transferred to the  
2 Pennsylvania State Police for cadet classes.

3 Section 2. Section 3733.1(c) of Title 42, amended July 9,  
4 2014 (P.L.1004, No.113), is amended to read:

5 § 3733.1. Surcharge.

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7 (c) Allocation and appropriation.--

8 (1) The surcharge under subsection (a)(1) shall be  
9 deposited into [a separate reserve account within] the  
10 Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account.

11 [Notwithstanding section 3732 (relating to utilization of  
12 funds in account), money deposited under this paragraph is  
13 hereby appropriated to the Supreme Court, upon compliance  
14 with Article XV of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343,  
15 No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, for the operation of the  
16 Judicial Department.]

17 (2) The fee under subsection (a)(2) shall be deposited  
18 into the Criminal Justice Enhancement Account.

19 (3) The fee under subsection (a)(3) shall be deposited  
20 into the Access to Justice Account.

21 Section 3. Section 3734 of Title 42 is repealed:

22 [§ 3734. Annual appropriations.

23 Beginning with the fiscal year 1987-1988, the General  
24 Assembly shall appropriate initially from the General Fund and  
25 thereafter from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation  
26 Account funds sufficient to meet the costs of the initial  
27 startup and the ongoing operations of the Statewide judicial  
28 computer system.]

29 Section 4. The amendment, addition or repeal of 42 Pa.C.S.  
30 §§ 3732(a) and (c), 3733.1(c) and 3734 shall apply to money

1 deposited into the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account  
2 on or after July 1, 2015.

3 Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.