THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1380 Session of 2014

INTRODUCED BY VOGEL, KITCHEN, WASHINGTON, ERICKSON, WILLIAMS, ARGALL, COSTA, BLAKE, BREWSTER, BROWNE, STACK, SCHWANK, HUGHES, FARNESE, SOLOBAY, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, YAW AND ROBBINS, JUNE 12, 2014

REFERRED TO URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, JUNE 12, 2014

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), entitled, as amended, "An act to promote the health, safety 2 and welfare of the people of the Commonwealth by broadening the market for housing for persons and families of low and moderate income and alleviating shortages thereof, and by 5 assisting in the provision of housing for elderly persons 6 through the creation of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance 7 Agency as a public corporation and government instrumentality; providing for the organization, membership 9 and administration of the agency, prescribing its general 10 powers and duties and the manner in which its funds are kept 11 and audited, empowering the agency to make housing loans to 12 qualified mortgagors upon the security of insured and 13 uninsured mortgages, defining qualified mortgagors and 14 providing for priorities among tenants in certain instances, prescribing interest rates and other terms of housing loans, 15 16 permitting the agency to acquire real or personal property, 17 18 permitting the agency to make agreements with financial institutions and Federal agencies, providing for the purchase 19 by persons of low and moderate income of housing units, and 20 approving the sale of housing units, permitting the agency to 21 sell housing loans, providing for the promulgation of 22 regulations and forms by the agency, prescribing penalties 23 for furnishing false information, empowering the agency to 24 borrow money upon its own credit by the issuance and sale of bonds and notes and by giving security therefor, permitting 25 26 the refunding, redemption and purchase of such obligations by 27 28 the agency, prescribing remedies of holders of such bonds and 29 notes, exempting bonds and notes of the agency, the income 30 therefrom, and the income and revenues of the agency from taxation, except transfer, death and gift taxes; making such 31 bonds and notes legal investments for certain purposes; and 32

- indicating how the act shall become effective," further
- 2 providing for the Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and
- Rehabilitation Enhancement Fund.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 406-D of the act of December 3, 1959
- 7 (P.L.1688, No.621), known as the Housing Finance Agency Law, is
- 8 amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 9 Section 406-D. Fund.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (c) Interfund transfers. -- Beginning July 31, 2015, and on
- 12 <u>each July 31 thereafter, the State Treasurer shall transfer from</u>
- 13 the General Fund to the fund an amount equal to the lesser of:
- 14 <u>(1) fifty percent of the difference between:</u>
- 15 <u>(i) the total dollar amount of the tax imposed under</u>
- section 1102-C of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2),
- 17 <u>known as the "Tax Reform Code of 1971," and collected by</u>
- 18 the Commonwealth for that fiscal year; and
- 19 (ii) the total dollar amount of such tax estimated
- for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and as
- 21 contained in the final estimate signed by the Governor
- for that fiscal year as required by section 618 of the
- 23 act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The
- 24 <u>Administrative Code of 1929; or</u>
- 25 (2) twenty-five million dollars.
- 26 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.