THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 769

Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY HUTCHINSON, ARGALL, COSTA, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, RESCHENTHALER, VULAKOVICH, WHITE AND YUDICHAK, JUNE 16, 2017

REFERRED TO APPROPRIATIONS, JUNE 16, 2017

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), entitled "An act relating to the finances of the State government; 2 3 providing for the settlement, assessment, collection, and lien of taxes, bonus, and all other accounts due the Commonwealth, the collection and recovery of fees and other 5 money or property due or belonging to the Commonwealth, or 6 any agency thereof, including escheated property and the 7 proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other 8 disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the 9 possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims 10 against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and 11 appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to 12 the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth 13 and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting 14 15 moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth, 16 authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes 17 to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of 18 section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of 19 Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of 20 certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every 21 department, board, commission, and officer of the State 22 23 government, every political subdivision of the State, and certain officers of such subdivisions, every person, 24 25 association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws 26 imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or 27 other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, 28 every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the 29 Commonwealth, " providing for 2017-2018 budget implementation 30 for the Executive Department. 31

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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- 1 hereby enacts as follows:
- 2 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known
- 3 as The Fiscal Code, is amended by adding an article to read:
- 4 ARTICLE XVII-P
- 5 <u>2017-2018 BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION</u>
- 6 <u>SUBARTICLE A</u>
- 7 <u>PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS</u>
- 8 <u>Section 1701-P. Applicability.</u>
- 9 Except as specifically provided in this article, this article
- 10 applies to the General Appropriation Act of 2017 and all other
- 11 appropriation acts of 2017.
- 12 <u>Section 1702-P. Definitions.</u>
- The following words and phrases when used in this article
- 14 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 15 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- "General Appropriation Act of 2017." The act of , 2017
- 17 (P.L. , No.), known as the General Appropriation Act of
- 18 <u>2017.</u>
- 19 SUBARTICLE B
- 20 EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
- 21 Section 1711-P. Governor (Reserved).
- 22 <u>Section 1712-P. Executive Offices (Reserved).</u>
- 23 Section 1713-P. Lieutenant Governor (Reserved).
- 24 Section 1714-P. Attorney General (Reserved).
- 25 Section 1715-P. Auditor General (Reserved).
- 26 Section 1716-P. Treasury Department (Reserved).
- 27 <u>Section 1717-P.</u> (Reserved).
- 28 <u>Section 1718-P. Department of Agriculture (Reserved).</u>
- 29 <u>Section 1719-P. Department of Community and Economic</u>
- Development (Reserved).

- 1 Section 1720-P. Department of Conservation and Natural
- 2 Resources (Reserved).
- 3 Section 1721-P. Department of Criminal Justice (Reserved).
- 4 <u>Section 1722-P. Department of Education (Reserved).</u>
- 5 Section 1723-P. Department of Environmental Protection
- (Reserved).
- 7 <u>Section 1724-P. Department of General Services (Reserved).</u>
- 8 <u>Section 1725-P. Department of Health and Human Services.</u>
- 9 The following shall apply to appropriations for the
- 10 Department of Health and Human Services:
- 11 (1) From funds appropriated for medical assistance fee-
- for-service, \$2,100,000 shall be allocated to increase the
- 13 medical assistance fee-for-service reimbursement rates for
- air ambulance services in this Commonwealth to 66% of the
- 15 Medicare rural payment rates in Pennsylvania for comparable
- services.
- 17 (2) (Reserved).
- 18 Section 1726-P. Insurance Department (Reserved).
- 19 <u>Section 1727-P. Department of Labor and Industry (Reserved).</u>
- 20 Section 1728-P. Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- 21 (Reserved).
- 22 <u>Section 1729-P. (Reserved).</u>
- 23 Section 1730-P. Department of Revenue (Reserved).
- 24 Section 1731-P. Department of State (Reserved).
- 25 Section 1732-P. Department of Transportation (Reserved).
- 26 <u>Section 1733-P. Pennsylvania State Police (Reserved).</u>
- 27 <u>Section 1734-P. State Civil Service Commission (Reserved).</u>
- 28 Section 1735-P. Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency
- (Reserved).
- 30 Section 1736-P. (Reserved).

- 1 <u>Section 1737-P. State System of Higher Education (Reserved).</u>
- 2 <u>Section 1738-P. Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency</u>
- 3 (Reserved).
- 4 <u>Section 1739-P. Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission</u>
- 5 (Reserved).
- 6 <u>Section 1740-P. Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment</u>
- 7 <u>Authority (Reserved).</u>
- 8 <u>Section 1741-P. Environmental Hearing Board (Reserved).</u>
- 9 <u>Section 1742-P. Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology</u>
- (Reserved).
- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, or
- 12 immediately, whichever is later.