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SENATOR CORMAN, TRANSPORTATION, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED,
JUNE 18, 1996

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for a special youth hunter and angler
3 education registration plate, for the Youth Hunter and Angler
4 Education Fund and for expenditures from that fund, for the
5 issuance of additional personal registration plates, for a
6 special Children First registration plate ~~and~~, for payments <—
7 to and grants from the Children's Trust Fund, FOR A SPECIAL <—
8 STATE-OWNED AND STATE-RELATED INSTITUTION REGISTRATION PLATE
9 AND FOR THE STATE-OWNED AND STATE-RELATED INSTITUTION
10 SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 finds and declares as follows:

13 Conserving our State's natural and wildlife resources is one
14 of the most important responsibilities we have to this and
15 future generations of this Commonwealth.

16 Hunters and anglers were among the first to realize this

1 responsibility nearly 100 years ago when they saw firsthand how
2 expanding civilization and unregulated exploitation has caused
3 disastrous declines in wildlife population throughout this
4 Commonwealth.

5 Hunters and anglers took steps to reverse this trend of
6 exploitation, helping found the conservation movement,
7 supporting laws to stop the uncontrolled exploitation of
8 wildlife and helping establish game and fish laws and
9 enforcement and management practices.

10 Hunters and anglers also suggested and supported laws to
11 establish special hunting and fishing license fees and special
12 taxes on their equipment to pay for conservation programs.

13 Junior hunter and angler youth conservation programs
14 supported and financed by this Commonwealth's hunters and
15 anglers have benefited hundreds of wildlife species by teaching
16 our children the ethics of the great outdoors.

17 As individuals and through their organizations, hunters and
18 anglers volunteer countless hours of their time and money for
19 local youth conservation programs.

20 The Commonwealth recognizes the importance of junior
21 conservation programs and the need for additional funding to
22 ensure that these programs continue to educate our youth on the
23 importance of our wildlife resources.

24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
25 hereby enacts as follows:

26 Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
27 Statutes is amended by adding sections to read:

28 § 1359. Youth hunter and angler education plate.

29 The department, in consultation with the Youth Hunter and
30 Angler Education Board, shall design a special youth hunter and

1 angler education plate. Upon application of any person,
2 accompanied by a fee of \$35 which shall be in addition to the
3 annual registration fee, the department shall issue the plate
4 for a passenger car or truck with a gross vehicle weight rating
5 of not more than 9,000 pounds.

6 § 1360. Children First registration plate.

7 The department, in consultation with the Children's Trust
8 Fund Board, established under the act of December 15, 1988
9 (P.L.1235, No.151), known as the Children's Trust Fund Act,
10 shall design a special Children First registration plate. Upon
11 application of any person, accompanied by a fee of \$35 which
12 shall be in addition to the annual registration fee, the
13 department shall issue the plate for a passenger car, motor
14 home, trailer or truck with a gross vehicle weight rating of not
15 more than 9,000 pounds.

16 § 1361. STATE-OWNED AND STATE-RELATED INSTITUTION PLATE.

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17 (A) DESIGN.--THE DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
18 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING LISTED IN PARAGRAPHS (1) THROUGH
19 (5) SHALL DESIGN THE FOLLOWING REGISTRATION PLATES:

20 (1) A PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY PLATE.

21 (2) A UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH PLATE.

22 (3) A TEMPLE UNIVERSITY PLATE.

23 (4) A LINCOLN UNIVERSITY PLATE.

24 (5) PLATES FOR EACH INSTITUTION WHICH IS A PART OF THE
25 STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNDER ARTICLE XX-A OF THE
26 ACT OF MARCH 10, 1949 (P.L.30, NO.14), KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC
27 SCHOOL CODE OF 1949.

28 (B) ISSUANCE.--UPON APPLICATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE
29 A PLATE DESIGNED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) FOR A PASSENGER CAR,
30 TRUCK, TRAILER OR MOTOR HOME WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING

1 OF NOT MORE THAN 9,000 POUNDS.

2 (C) FEE.--THE APPLICATION FOR A PLATE SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED
3 BY A FEE OF \$35 WHICH SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL
4 REGISTRATION FEE.

5 § 1370. Personal special registration plates.

6 (a) General rule.--Subject to the same standards and
7 restrictions under section 1341 (relating to personal plate),
8 the department may upon application of any person and upon
9 payment of the additional fee under this section issue a special
10 personal registration plate to applicants under the following
11 provisions:

12 Section 1338 (relating to handicapped plate and placard).

13 Section 1340 (relating to antique and classic plates).

14 Section 1340.1 (relating to street rod plate).

15 Section 1342 (relating to veteran plates and placard).

16 Section 1345 (relating to special plates for recipients
17 of the Medal of Honor).

18 Section 1346 (relating to special plates for recipients
19 of Purple Heart).

20 Section 1347 (relating to hearing impaired plates).

21 Section 1348 (relating to special plates for Pearl Harbor
22 survivors).

23 Section 1350 (relating to special plates for veterans of
24 Korean War).

25 Section 1351 (relating to special plates for veterans of
26 Persian Gulf War).

27 Section 1352 (relating to wild resource conservation
28 plate).

29 Section 1353 (relating to preserve our heritage
30 registration plate).

1 Section 1354 (relating to Flagship Niagara commemorative
2 registration plate).

3 Section 1355 (relating to zoological plate).

4 Section 1356 (relating to special plates for recipients
5 of Expeditionary Forces Medal).

6 Section 1357 (relating to special plates for World War II
7 veterans).

8 Section 1359 (relating to youth hunter and angler
9 education plate).

10 SECTION 1361 (RELATING TO STATE-OWNED AND STATE-RELATED <—
11 INSTITUTION PLATE).

12 (b) Additional fee.--

13 (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the
14 department shall collect an additional fee of \$300 for any
15 personal plate issued under subsection (a).

16 (2) For any personal plate issued under section 1352,
17 1353, 1355 ~~or 1359~~, 1359 OR 1361, the department shall retain <—
18 the sum of \$150 and \$150 shall be deposited in the
19 appropriate funds provided in the designated sections.

20 (3) For any personal plate issued under sections 1338,
21 1342 and 1347, the department shall only collect an
22 additional fee of \$20.

23 Section 2. Section 1905 of Title 75 is amended by adding
24 subsections to read:

25 § 1905. Payments to special funds.

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27 (d) Youth Hunter and Angler Education Fund.--

28 (1) Fifteen dollars of each fee received under section
29 1359 (relating to youth hunter and angler education plate)
30 shall be credited to the Youth Hunter and Angler Education

1 Fund.

2 (2) There is established a special account in the
3 Treasury Department which shall be known as the Youth Hunter
4 and Angler Education Fund. The purpose of the Youth Hunter
5 and Angler Education Fund is to assist this Commonwealth's
6 nonprofit sportsmen's clubs, Commonwealth natural resource
7 agencies and other organizations in conducting youth field
8 days, conservation schools and other related hunter or
9 trapper or angler youth education programs which are approved
10 by the Youth Hunter and Angler Education Board.

11 (3) All moneys in the Hunter and Angler Youth Education
12 Fund are annually appropriated, subject to the approval of
13 the Governor, to the Department of Conservation and Natural
14 Resources and shall be expended for the purposes authorized
15 under this subsection.

16 (4) The State Treasurer shall not honor any requisition
17 for expenditures by the Department of Conservation and
18 Natural Resources in excess of estimates approved by the
19 Governor or in excess of the amount available for the
20 purposes for which the requisition was made, whichever is the
21 lesser amount.

22 (5) (i) A 15-member Youth Hunter and Angler Education
23 Board will approve all Education programs and projects.

24 (ii) The board members are as follows:

25 (A) The Secretary of the Department of
26 Conservation and Natural Resources.

27 (B) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania
28 Fish and Boat Commission.

29 (C) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania
30 Game Commission.

1 (D) The chairman and the minority chairman of
2 the Game and Fisheries Committee of the Senate and
3 the chairman and the minority chairman of the Game
4 and Fisheries Committee of the House of
5 Representatives.

6 (E) One designee of the Governor.

7 (F) One representative for each of the following
8 organizations appointed by the Governor:

9 (I) The Unified Sportsmen of Pennsylvania.

10 (II) The United Bowhunters of Pennsylvania.

11 (III) The National Rifle Association.

12 (IV) The Pennsylvania Chapter of the
13 National Wild Turkey Federation.

14 (V) The Pennsylvania Chapter of Trout
15 Unlimited.

16 (VI) The Hawk Mountain Sanctuary.

17 (VII) The Pennsylvania Federation of
18 Sportsmen's Clubs.

19 (iii) The chairmanship of the board will rotate on
20 an annual basis among the members.

21 (iv) All members of the board may appoint a designee
22 to serve in their absence.

23 (e) Children's Trust Fund and grants to county children and
24 youth programs.--

25 (1) Fifteen dollars of each fee received under section
26 1360 (relating to Children's First registration plate) shall
27 be credited to the Children's Trust Fund established under
28 the act of December 15, 1988 (P.L.1235, No.151), known as the
29 Children's Trust Fund Act.

30 (2) The money collected under this section and credited

1 to the Children's Trust Fund shall be designated as
2 demonstration grants to county children and youth programs
3 for community-based child abuse and neglect prevention
4 services and family support services. In addition to specific
5 programs identified as eligible for grants under the
6 Children's Trust Fund Act, services funded by money collected
7 under this section shall also include the development of
8 court-appointed special advocate programs for children,
9 otherwise known as CASA.

10 (3) In order to qualify for a grant funded by money
11 collected under this section, a county children and youth
12 agency must demonstrate to the Children's Trust Fund Board
13 that the services reflect the unmet needs of children and
14 families in the community, that the programs contribute to
15 the coordination of local services for children and families
16 and that the program could not be funded through existing
17 Federal or State programs.

18 (4) To the fullest extent possible, the Children's Trust
19 Fund Board shall ensure the equitable geographic distribution
20 of the funds to county children and youth programs across the
21 State.

22 (5) The State Treasurer shall not honor any requisition
23 for expenditures by the Children's Trust Fund Board funded by
24 money collected under this section in excess of estimates
25 approved by the Governor.

26 (F) STATE-OWNED AND STATE-RELATED INSTITUTION SCHOLARSHIP <—
27 FUNDS.--

28 (1) FIFTEEN DOLLARS OF EACH FEE RECEIVED UNDER SECTION
29 1361 (RELATING TO STATE-OWNED AND STATE-RELATED INSTITUTION
30 PLATE) SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUNDS CREATED IN PARAGRAPH

1 (2).

2 (2) (I) THERE ARE HEREBY ESTABLISHED SEPARATE ACCOUNTS
3 IN THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT FOR EACH OF THE STATE-OWNED
4 AND STATE-RELATED INSTITUTIONS AS FOLLOWS:

5 (A) THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
6 SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

7 (B) THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH SCHOLARSHIP
8 FUND.

9 (C) THE TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

10 (D) THE LINCOLN UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

11 (E) THE BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
12 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
13 FUND.

14 (F) THE CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
15 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
16 FUND.

17 (G) THE CHEYNEY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
18 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
19 FUND.

20 (H) THE CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
21 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
22 FUND.

23 (I) THE EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY OF
24 PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
25 SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

26 (J) THE EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
27 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
28 FUND.

29 (K) THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
30 SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

1 (L) THE KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
2 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
3 FUND.

4 (M) THE LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
5 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
6 FUND.

7 (N) THE MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
8 THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
9 FUND.

10 (O) THE MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
11 OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
12 FUND.

13 (P) THE SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
14 OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
15 FUND.

16 (Q) THE SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
17 OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
18 FUND.

19 (R) THE WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
20 OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
21 FUND.

22 (II) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUNDS IS TO PROVIDE TUITION
23 ASSISTANCE TO UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS AT STATE-OWNED AND
24 STATE-RELATED INSTITUTIONS.

25 (3) ALL MONEYS IN THE FUNDS ARE HEREBY ANNUALLY
26 APPROPRIATED FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE AT INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE
27 PART OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO THE
28 STATE-RELATED INSTITUTIONS AND MAY BE EXPENDED FOR THE
29 PURPOSES AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

30 (4) ESTIMATES OF AMOUNTS TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THIS

1 SUBSECTION SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR FOR APPROVAL.

2 (5) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL NOT HONOR ANY REQUISITION
3 FOR EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF ESTIMATES APPROVED BY THE
4 GOVERNOR OR IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR THE
5 PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE REQUISITION WAS MADE, WHICHEVER IS THE
6 LESSER AMOUNT.

7 Section 3. This act shall take effect as follows:

8 (1) The addition of 75 Pa.C.S. § 1905(d) ~~and (e)~~, (E) <—
9 AND (F) shall take effect in 30 days.

10 (2) This section shall take effect in 30 days.

11 (3) The remainder of this act shall take effect in six
12 months.