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AN ACT

1 Requiring the posting of certain governmental salary information
2 on the Internet.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Governmental
7 Salary Information Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

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

12 "Commonwealth agency." Any of the following:

13 (1) The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General,
14 Auditor General, State Treasurer and the departments,
15 offices, boards, authorities, commissions and other agencies
16 of the executive branch of the government of the
17 Commonwealth, whether or not subject to the supervision and

1 control of the Governor.

2 (2) The legislative branch of government of the
3 Commonwealth.

4 (3) Any court and any office of the unified judicial
5 system of the Commonwealth.

6 "Local agency." A county, township, borough, town, city,
7 school district, local authority, commission or other similar
8 entity performing a governmental function.

9 Section 3. Online posting of salaries.

10 (a) General rule.--The State Treasurer shall establish an
11 official Internet website where it shall post, and update on a
12 monthly basis, the following information concerning the officers
13 and employees described in section 4:

14 (1) Name.

15 (2) Title.

16 (3) Agency, department or other institution.

17 (4) Annual salary rate or other rate of compensation.

18 (5) Supplemental compensation for the current month. For
19 purposes of this section, supplemental compensation shall not
20 include reimbursement payments to employees for appropriate
21 business expenditures, or payments for unused vacation or
22 unused sick leave.

23 (b) Data.--Each agency shall create and maintain the data
24 required by subsection (a) in ASCII-delimited text format, Excel
25 spreadsheet format or another format mutually agreed upon by the
26 agency and the State Treasurer.

27 (c) Accuracy.--Each agency is responsible for verifying the
28 accuracy and completeness of the information that it submits to
29 the State Treasurer.

30 Section 4. Applicability.

1 (a) General rule.--The provisions of section 3 shall apply
2 to all officers and employees of a Commonwealth agency.

3 (b) Legislative employees.--For each officer or employee of
4 the Senate and the House of Representatives, in addition to the
5 information required by section 3, the State Treasurer shall
6 separately indicate whether the officer or employee is paid with
7 funds controlled by the majority caucus, funds controlled by the
8 minority caucus or funds appropriated to compensate the staff of
9 the officers elected by the Senate or the House of
10 Representatives.

11 (c) Redaction.--At the request of an agency, the State
12 Treasurer may redact the name of an individual who is regularly
13 involved in the conduct of undercover criminal investigations if
14 the State Treasurer determines it is necessary to protect the
15 safety of the individual.

16 Section 5. Local agencies.

17 (a) General rule.--All local agencies shall post on their
18 official Internet websites, and update on a monthly basis, the
19 following concerning officers and employees:

20 (1) Name.

21 (2) Title.

22 (3) Agency, department or other institution.

23 (4) Annual salary rate or other rate of compensation.

24 (5) Supplemental compensation for the current month. For
25 purposes of this section, supplemental compensation shall not
26 include reimbursement payments to employees for appropriate
27 business expenditures, or payments for unused vacation or
28 unused sick leave.

29 (b) Exception.--If the local agency does not maintain an
30 official Internet website, the information shall be made

1 available electronically or in writing upon request within five
2 days.

3 (c) Notification.--Each local agency shall notify the State
4 Treasurer, in a form and structure prescribed by the State
5 Treasurer, when it has complied with this act. When applicable,
6 the notification shall include the main Internet website page
7 address where the data received pursuant to subsection (a) is
8 located.

9 (d) Directory.--The State Treasurer shall maintain an
10 Internet website-based directory of the local agency Internet
11 website page addresses received pursuant to subsection (c) on
12 the official Internet website created pursuant to subsection
13 (a).

14 Section 6. Commercial use of data prohibited.

15 It shall be unlawful for any person to use the contents of
16 the posting of information under this act for any commercial
17 purpose whatsoever.

18 Section 7. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, or immediately,
20 whichever is later.