

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2540 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY IRVIS, ITKIN, KNIGHT, COWELL, GRABOWSKI, PISTELLA  
AND GAMBLE, MAY 12, 1980

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, MAY 12, 1980

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304, No.315),  
2 entitled, as amended, "An act to improve local health  
3 administration throughout the Commonwealth by authorizing the  
4 creation, establishment and administration of single-county  
5 or joint-county departments of health in all counties;  
6 exempting certain municipalities from the jurisdiction of  
7 single-county or joint-county departments of health;  
8 permitting the dissolution of departments or boards of health  
9 in certain municipalities; authorizing State grants to  
10 counties which establish departments of health and to certain  
11 municipalities if they meet prescribed requirements;  
12 conferring powers and duties upon the State Department of  
13 Health in connection with the creation, establishment and  
14 administration of single-county or joint-county departments  
15 of health and administration of the health laws in parts of  
16 certain municipalities not subject to the jurisdiction of  
17 single-county or joint-county departments of health, and the  
18 administration of State grants; and repealing an act which  
19 confers health powers upon counties of the first class,"  
20 deleting a limitation on certain annual grants.

21 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
22 hereby enacts as follows:

23 Section 1. The third paragraph of subsection (b) of section  
24 25, act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304, No.315), known as the  
25 "Local Health Administration Law," amended July 9, 1976  
26 (P.L.533, No.129), is amended to read:

1       Section 25.   State Grants to County Departments of Health and  
2 to Certain Municipalities.--\* \* \*

3       (b)   Annual Grants.

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5       The State Secretary of Health shall examine each annual  
6 estimate of expenditures and shall deduct therefrom all items  
7 which do not represent expenditures within the lawful scope of  
8 the powers of the particular county department of health or the  
9 department or board of health of the municipality. Upon the  
10 total amount of the remaining expenditures, the State Secretary  
11 of Health shall compute the annual grant. The annual grant shall  
12 equal fifty per cent (50%) of the total of the remaining  
13 expenditures[, but no annual grant shall exceed the product  
14 obtained by multiplying the population of the area within the  
15 jurisdiction of the county department of health or within the  
16 jurisdiction of the department or board of health of the  
17 municipality times three dollars (\$3.00)].

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19       Section 2.   This act shall take effect immediately.