

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1868 Session of
1977

INTRODUCED BY STEWART, BITTINGER, ENGLEHART, REED, DeWEESE,
AND LETTERMAN, NOVEMBER 15, 1977

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, NOVEMBER 15, 1977

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 19, 1951 (P.L.28, No.4), entitled "An
2 act relating to the civil defense of this State and its
3 coordination with national defense; providing for the
4 establishment of a State Council of Civil Defense, local and
5 district councils of civil defense, Mobile Support Units;
6 prescribing the powers, duties and immunities thereof and of
7 their personnel; authorizing mutual aid compacts, and
8 providing penalties," providing for coordination of Federal
9 emergency highway assistance grants for both Federally aided
10 highways and nonfederally aided highways and permitting State
11 agencies to purchase materials and supplies during
12 emergencies without bids.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. Section 4, act of March 19, 1951 (P.L.28, No.4),
16 known as the "State Council of Civil Defense Act of 1951," is
17 amended by adding a subsection to read:

18 Section 4. Powers and Duties.--The Council shall have the
19 following powers and duties:

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21 (p) To coordinate the receipt and allocation of Federal
22 emergency assistance for both Federally aided and nonfederally
23 aided highway systems.

1 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

2 Section 7.1. Emergency Purchases by Commonwealth Agencies.--

3 A State agency may, during an emergency declared by the
4 Governor, incur obligations for or purchase such materials and
5 supplies as may be necessary to combat a disaster, protect the
6 health and safety of persons and property and provide emergency
7 assistance to victims of a disaster without complying with
8 formal bidding or other time consuming contract procedures.

9 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.