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D. W. SNYDER, TRELLO, WOGAN, ITKIN AND CIVERA, JUNE 23, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, JUNE 23, 1987

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," providing for a post-polio
21 information clearinghouse in the Department of Health.

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

24 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
25 as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding a

1 section to read:

2 Section 2122. Post-Polio Information Clearinghouse.--The
3 Department of Health shall have the power and its duty shall be:

4 (a) To investigate the subject of post-polio muscle atrophy,
5 a deterioration of muscular strength suffered by persons
6 previously affected by polio after having been seemingly stable
7 for a long time.

8 (b) To study the number of persons who suffer from post-
9 polio muscle atrophy, their ages, sex and other relevant factors
10 and the period of time after having been affected by polio that
11 symptoms appear.

12 (c) To compile all available information relating to post-
13 polio muscle atrophy and make such information available to the
14 general public and health professionals, together with any
15 educational material deemed helpful.

16 (d) To establish a single Statewide toll-free telephone
17 number for use by persons seeking information relating to post-
18 polio problems.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.