THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL No. 1516 ^{Session of} 2002

INTRODUCED BY WAGNER, SEPTEMBER 11, 2002

REFERRED TO AGING AND YOUTH, SEPTEMBER 11, 2002

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 26, 2001 (P.L.755, No.77), entitled "An 1 2 act establishing a special fund and account for money 3 received by the Commonwealth from the Master Settlement 4 Agreement with tobacco manufacturers; providing for home and 5 community-based care, for tobacco use prevention and б cessation efforts, for Commonwealth universal research 7 enhancement, for hospital uncompensated care, for health investment insurance, for medical assistance for workers with 8 9 disabilities, for regional biotechnology research centers, for the HealthLink Program, for community-based health care 10 assistance programs, for PACE reinstatement and PACENET 11 expansion, for medical education loan assistance and for 12 13 percentage allocation and appropriation of moneys," further 14 providing for PACE reinstatement.

15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

16 hereby enacts as follows:

17 Section 1. Section 2306 of the act of June 26, 2001

18 (P.L.755, No.77), known as the Tobacco Settlement Act, is

19 amended to read:

20 Section 2306. PACE reinstatement.

21 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,

22 persons who, as of December 31, 2000, were enrolled in the PACE

23 program established pursuant to the act of August 14, 1991

1 (P.L.342, No.36), known as the former Lottery Fund Preservation Act, shall remain eligible for the PACE program if the maximum 2 3 income limit is exceeded due solely to a Social Security costof-living adjustment. Any person whose PACE eligibility has been 4 5 terminated for this cause shall be retroactively reinstated commencing on the effective date of this section. Eligibility in 6 7 the PACE program pursuant to this section shall expire on [December 31, 2002] <u>December 31, 2003</u>. 8

9 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.