THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1858 Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY E. Z. TAYLOR, BOYD, McILHATTAN, CRAHALLA, ALLEN, BAKER, BARD, BELFANTI, BROWNE, BUNT, CAPPELLI, COY, CRUZ, DALLY, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FICHTER, FREEMAN, GEIST, GOODMAN, HARHAI, HARHART, HARRIS, HERSHEY, HICKERNELL, HORSEY, JOSEPHS, KENNEY, LAUGHLIN, LEACH, MARKOSEK, MICOZZIE, MUNDY, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PICKETT, RAYMOND, REED, REICHLEY, ROSS, RUBLEY, SATHER, SCAVELLO, SEMMEL, SOLOBAY, J. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, WALKO, WATSON, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK AND ZUG, JULY 14, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, JULY 14, 2003

AN ACT

, No.1A), entitled Amending the act of March 20, 2003 (P.L. 2 "An act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of 3 the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and for the public schools for 5 the fiscal year July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004, for certain institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills 7 incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year 8 ending June 30, 2003; to provide appropriations from the 9 State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores 10 Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust 11 12 Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the 13 Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the 14 Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund to 15 16 the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the 17 Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial 18 Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund 19 20 for the fiscal year July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004, for the 21 proper operation of the several departments of the 22 Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to 23 spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the 24 appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive Department of 25 the Commonwealth and for the establishment of restricted 26 receipt accounts for the fiscal year July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at 27

- 1 the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003; to provide
- 2 for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds
- from the General Fund, for the Executive Department of the
- 4 Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2002, to June 30,
- 5 2003, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining
- 6 unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002;
- 7 and making a repeal, "further providing for an appropriation
- 8 for higher education equipment grants.
- 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 10 hereby enacts as follows:
- 11 Section 1. Section 212 of the act of March 20, 2003 (P.L.
- 12 , No.1A), known as the General Appropriation Act of 2003, is
- 13 amended by adding a State appropriation to read:
- 14 Section 212. Department of
- 15 Education. -- The following amounts are
- 16 appropriated to the Department of
- 17 Education: Federal State
- 18 * * *
- 19 For annual payments, not to exceed
- 20 \$500 per student, to institutions of
- 21 higher learning for defraying the
- 22 expenses of deaf or blind students.
- State appropriation..... 54,000
- 24 For higher education equipment
- 25 grants to be distributed to
- 26 institutions of higher education,
- 27 including State-owned and State-
- 28 related institutions, based on
- 29 quidelines adopted by the Department
- 30 of Education consistent with the
- 31 provisions of former Article XXVI-C of
- 32 the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,
- 33 No.14), known as the Public School

- 1 <u>Code of 1949.</u>
- 2 State appropriation..... \$6,000,000
- 3 * * *
- Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, or
- 5 immediately, whichever is later.