

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1843

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by striking out "Commonwealth"
2 and inserting
3 budget and for

4 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 6 through 18; pages 2 and 3, lines
5 1 through 30; page 4, lines 1 through 5; by striking out all of
6 said lines on said pages and inserting

7 Section 1. Title 72 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding chapters to read:

9 CHAPTER 3

10 BUDGET

11 Sec.

12 301. Agency budget documents.

13 § 301. Agency budget documents.

14 An agency submitting documentation used by the Office of the
15 Budget for preparation of the Governor's budget submission to
16 the General Assembly under section 613 of the act of April 9,
17 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of
18 1929, shall place the original, unedited documents on the
19 agency's publicly accessible Internet website and the agency
20 shall electronically notify members of the General Assembly. The
21 documents shall be available no later than the first Monday of
22 November 2018 and every year thereafter.

23 CHAPTER 5

24 FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

25 Sec.

26 501. State Treasury transparency portal.

27 502. Duties of Commonwealth agencies.

28 503. Commonwealth checkbook.

29 § 501. State Treasury transparency portal.

30 (a) Development.--The State Treasurer shall develop and
31 maintain on the Treasury Department's publicly accessible
32 Internet website a transparency portal with information relating
33 to the Commonwealth's finances. The following shall apply:

34 (1) The transparency portal shall be made available to
35 the public and include figures and visual aids to demonstrate

1 growth or reduction in expenditures and revenue starting no
2 later than the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

3 (2) The visual aids required under paragraph (1) shall
4 include, but not be limited to, charts and graphs.

5 (3) Information provided by the Treasury Department
6 shall be made available to the public to download either as
7 an image or spreadsheet document.

8 (b) General Fund information.--The State Treasurer shall
9 provide on the transparency portal an analysis of the General
10 Fund updated to accurately reflect the General Fund at the end
11 of the prior day, including:

12 (1) Cash flow within the General Fund which shall
13 include a line graph showing changes in cash flow with a
14 range starting from the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

15 (2) The current General Fund balance.

16 (3) General fund expenditures. The following shall
17 apply:

18 (i) The public shall be able to delineate
19 expenditures made out of the General Fund by the
20 Commonwealth agency that made the expenditure.

21 (ii) In order to provide the information required
22 under this subsection, each Commonwealth agency shall
23 provide the data to the Treasury Department in a file
24 format stipulated by the Treasury Department through
25 interface files.

26 (4) General Fund revenues, including information
27 relating to the difference between estimated revenues for the
28 given fiscal year and actual revenues collected. The Treasury
29 Department shall also include a graph comparing changes
30 within the General Fund revenues and General Fund
31 expenditures starting with the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

32 (c) Budget information.--The State Treasurer shall provide
33 on the transparency portal information relating to the General
34 Fund to accurately reflect the Commonwealth's finances at the
35 end of the close of business the previous day, including:

36 (1) Expenditures from each of the Commonwealth's special
37 or restricted funds, including a breakdown of agency
38 expenditures from within those funds.

39 (2) Daily changes in revenue and expenditures for the
40 Commonwealth's special and restricted funds. The information
41 shall be made available as a line and bar graph with figures
42 to reflect changes in the graph.

43 (3) In order to implement this subsection, each
44 Commonwealth agency shall provide the Treasury Department
45 data collected under the Pennsylvania Web Accountability and
46 Transparency (PennWATCH) Act, in a file format stipulated by
47 the Treasury Department through interface files.

48 (d) Commonwealth investment information.--The State
49 Treasurer shall provide information on the transparency portal
50 relating to the Commonwealth's investments. The information
51 shall include money invested by the Commonwealth into both

1 short-term and long-term investments. The following shall apply:

2 (1) The State Treasurer shall include from which fund
3 money was moved by the State Treasurer for the purposes of
4 short-term or long-term investment.

5 (2) The State Treasurer shall ensure the information is
6 updated to reflect changes in investment and fund balances
7 from the close of business the previous day.

8 (e) Commonwealth programs.--The State Treasurer shall
9 include in the transparency portal an analysis of the
10 appropriations for Commonwealth programs based on the
11 appropriations at the close of business for the prior day. The
12 analysis shall include each appropriation, total budgeted
13 appropriation, total augmenting revenue, total spent
14 appropriation and percentage of the total appropriation spent.

15 (f) Commonwealth Financial Watch.--The State Treasurer shall
16 include in the Transparency Portal a Commonwealth Financial
17 Watch which includes:

18 (1) The top 20 cost drivers within the General Fund
19 during the current fiscal year starting with the 2018-2019
20 fiscal year.

21 (2) The 10 Commonwealth agencies with the highest dollar
22 amount of General Fund expenditures during the current fiscal
23 year starting with 2018-2019 fiscal year, including the
24 percent of the Commonwealth agency's General Fund
25 appropriation spent.

26 (g) Time period.--All information provided under this
27 section shall reflect changes within the Commonwealth's finances
28 starting no later than the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

29 § 502. Duties of Commonwealth agencies.

30 A Commonwealth agency shall provide the State Treasurer the
31 data required for the operation of the transparency portal under
32 section 501 (relating to State Treasury transparency portal) in
33 a file format stipulated by the Treasury Department through
34 interface files.

35 § 503. Commonwealth checkbook.

36 (a) Access.--The Office of the Budget shall provide access
37 to the Integrated Central System under section 620.1 of the act
38 of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative
39 Code of 1929, with inquiry-only screens on its publicly
40 accessible Internet website to the following:

41 (1) Members of the General Assembly.

42 (2) The Independent Fiscal Office.

43 (3) The Department of the Auditor General.

44 (4) The general public.

45 (b) Expenses.--The Office of the Budget shall pay for any
46 expenses to implement this section with unencumbered funds.

47 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.