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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL**

**No. 877**

Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY BROWN, HARPER, DAWIDA, COHEN, FISCHER, PERZEL,  
REED, JONES, DeWEESE, ZWIKL AND GRAY, MARCH 27, 1979

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS,  
MARCH 27, 1979

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AN ACT

1 Imposing a limit on the engine size, carburetor size and  
2 horsepower output of certain State owned or State leased  
3 motor vehicles and requiring that such motor vehicles be  
4 assembled in the United States.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the  
8 General Assembly of Pennsylvania to conserve energy in the  
9 operation of motor vehicles where such conservation may be made  
10 without endangering the public safety and to encourage purchase  
11 of American made automobiles.

12 Section 2. No motor vehicle designed primarily to transport  
13 six or fewer persons shall be purchased or leased by any branch  
14 of Commonwealth government with an engine size greater than six  
15 cylinders and 250 cubic inches, a carburetor type greater than  
16 two barrel in size, a rated horsepower greater than 110 (maximum  
17 power the engine can produce at maximum revolutions per minute).

18 Section 3. No motor vehicle designed primarily to transport

1 six or fewer persons shall be purchased or leased by any branch  
2 of Commonwealth government unless the same shall have been  
3 assembled in the United States.

4 Section 4. This act shall not apply to any motor vehicle  
5 used by the Pennsylvania State Police or to any emergency  
6 vehicle used by any department, board, agency or commission of  
7 the Commonwealth.

8 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 1979.