

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1236 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY DiCARLO, D. S. HAYES, DOMBROWSKI, CAPPABIANCA AND  
BOWSER, MAY 8, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 8, 1979

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 employees 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 employees of certain departments, boards and  
20 commissions shall be determined," restricting the powers of  
21 the Environmental Quality Board as to fees charged to the  
22 public relating to the use of State parks.

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

25 Section 1. Clause (f) of section 1920-A, act of April 9,  
26 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of  
27 1929," added December 3, 1970 (P.L.834, No.275), is amended to  
28 read:

1       Section 1920-A.   Environmental Quality Board.--\* \* \*

2       (f)   The board shall establish such rules and regulations,  
3   not inconsistent with law, for the control, management,  
4   protection, utilization, development, occupancy and use of the  
5   lands and resources of State parks, as it may deem necessary to  
6   conserve the interests of the Commonwealth. Such rules and  
7   regulations shall be compatible with the purposes for which  
8   State parks are created. After the effective date of this  
9   amendatory act, no increased, additional or new charges or fees  
10   shall be imposed by the board on the public for activities,  
11   admissions, uses or privileges relating to State parks until  
12   such charges or fees are approved by the General Assembly. The  
13   board shall hold public hearings on such charges or fees before  
14   they are submitted to the General Assembly. Such public hearings  
15   shall be held in the general geographic area of the State park  
16   affected when the charges or fees relate to an individual park;  
17   and in the case of charges or fees effecting all State parks,  
18   the hearings shall be held in at least three separate locations  
19   in the eastern, western and central portions of the  
20   Commonwealth. After such public hearings where the opinions of  
21   the general public shall be solicited and considered, the board  
22   shall submit its recommendations to the General Assembly for  
23   approval. Such approval shall take the form of a concurrent  
24   resolution of the House of Representatives and Senate.

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26       Section 2.   This act shall take effect immediately.