## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 412

Session of 1985

INTRODUCED BY IRVIS, COHEN, R. C. WRIGHT, RICHARDSON AND LEVIN, FEBRUARY 26, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, FEBRUARY 26, 1985

## AN ACT

- 1 Making an appropriation to the Attorney General for the payment 2 of certain moral claims against the Commonwealth.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby enacts as follows:
- 5 Section 1. The sum of \$450,000, or as much thereof as may be
- 6 necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Attorney
- 7 General for the payment of moral claims against the Commonwealth
- 8 arising from the unconscionable loss of liberty resulting from
- 9 detention for six years in the State Correctional Institution at
- 10 Graterford as a result of a person's conviction based on
- 11 erroneous and improper evidence at a trial for the alleged
- 12 commission of a crime and whose conviction was subsequently
- 13 overturned by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.
- 14 Section 2. Payment from said appropriation shall be made by
- 15 requisition of the Attorney General, upon proof of such claim to
- 16 the satisfaction of the Attorney General and the State
- 17 Treasurer.

1 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.