

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 542

Session of  
1985

INTRODUCED BY MOORE, BELL, SHUMAKER, JUBELIRER, O'CONNELL,  
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O'PAKE, HOPPER, SINGEL, LINCOLN, LEWIS, WENGER, ZEMPRELLI,  
REIBMAN, FUMO, ARMSTRONG, PETERSON, MADIGAN AND MELLOW,  
MARCH 12, 1985

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 12, 1985

AN ACT

1 Authorizing the indebtedness, with the approval of the electors,  
2 of \$15,000,000 for loans to volunteer fire companies,  
3 volunteer ambulance services and volunteer rescue squads for  
4 the purpose of establishing or modernizing facilities to  
5 house firefighting apparatus equipment, ambulances and rescue  
6 vehicles, and for purchasing firefighting apparatus  
7 equipment, ambulances and rescue vehicles, protective and  
8 communications equipment, and any other accessory equipment  
9 necessary for the proper performance of such organizations'  
10 duties.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. The question of incurring indebtedness of  
14 \$15,000,000 for loans to volunteer fire companies, volunteer  
15 ambulance services and volunteer rescue squads for the purpose  
16 of establishing or modernizing facilities to house firefighting  
17 apparatus equipment, ambulances and rescue vehicles, and for  
18 purchasing firefighting apparatus equipment, ambulances and  
19 rescue vehicles, protective and communications equipment, and

1 any other accessory equipment necessary for the proper  
2 performance of such organizations' duties, shall be submitted to  
3 the electors at the next primary, municipal or general election  
4 following enactment of this act.

5 Section 2. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall forthwith  
6 certify the question to the county boards of election.

7 Section 3. The question shall be in substantially the  
8 following form:

9 Do you favor the incurring of indebtedness of \$15,000,000  
10 for loans to volunteer fire companies, volunteer  
11 ambulance services and volunteer rescue squads for the  
12 purpose of establishing or modernizing facilities to  
13 house firefighting apparatus equipment, ambulances and  
14 rescue vehicles, and for purchasing firefighting  
15 apparatus equipment, ambulances and rescue vehicles,  
16 protective and communications equipment, and any other  
17 accessory equipment necessary for the proper performance  
18 of such organizations' duties?

19 Section 4. The election shall be conducted in accordance  
20 with the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the  
21 Pennsylvania Election Code, except that the time limits for  
22 advertisement of notice of the election may be waived as to the  
23 question.

24 Section 5. Proceeds of borrowing shall be used through loans  
25 to volunteer fire companies, volunteer ambulance services and  
26 volunteer rescue squads pursuant to and for any purpose  
27 established by the act of July 15, 1976 (P.L.1036, No.208),  
28 known as the Volunteer Fire Company, Ambulance Service and  
29 Rescue Squad Assistance Act.

30 Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.