

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 2322** Session of  
1988

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INTRODUCED BY CAWLEY AND BELARDI, APRIL 6, 1988

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 6, 1988

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AN ACT

1 Authorizing the City of Scranton, Lackawanna County, to sell and  
2 convey certain Project 70 lands free of Project 70  
3 restrictions for a housing development, in return for use of  
4 the sale proceeds to purchase land along the Lackawanna  
5 River.

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

8 Section 1. Authorization.

9 Pursuant to the requirements of section 20(b) of the act of  
10 June 22, 1964 (Sp.Sess., P.L.131, No.8), known as the Project 70  
11 Land Acquisition and Borrowing Act, the General Assembly hereby  
12 authorizes the sale of the lands described in section 2 and the  
13 release of the restrictions imposed by section 20 of the Project  
14 70 Land Acquisition and Borrowing Act from lands owned by the  
15 City of Scranton, Lackawanna County, and more particularly  
16 described in section 2, in exchange for the use of the proceeds  
17 from the sale of said lands described in section 2 to purchase  
18 lands along the Lackawanna River within the City of Scranton.

19 Section 2. Land to be sold free from restrictions.

1 The parcel of land authorized to be sold and released from  
2 restrictions is more particularly described as follows:

3 Beginning at an iron pin corner in the northeasterly sideline  
4 of Eynon Street, said beginning corner being in the division  
5 line between city assessment lot number 32 and lot number 47 in  
6 city assessment block number 8 in the 15th ward; thence, north  
7 42 degrees east along the said division line between lots number  
8 32 and 47 for a distance of 117 feet to an iron pin corner, said  
9 last mentioned iron pin corner being located 16 feet  
10 southwesterly along said division line between said lots from  
11 the southwesterly sideline of Hand Place; thence, through, over  
12 and across the rear portions of lots fronting on said Eynon  
13 Street south 47 degrees 45 minutes east for a distance of 455.13  
14 feet to an iron pin corner, said last mentioned line being  
15 located 16 feet southwesterly from the parallel with the said  
16 southwesterly sideline of Hand Place; thence, along a curve to  
17 the right whose radius is 30 feet and its length of arc being  
18 46.99 feet and its chord being along a line bearing south 02  
19 degrees 52 1/2 minutes east for a distance of 42.33 feet to an  
20 iron pin corner; thence, south 42 degrees west for a distance of  
21 371 feet to an iron pin corner, said last mentioned line being  
22 located 10 feet northwesterly from and parallel with the  
23 northwesterly sideline of South Sixth Avenue, said last  
24 mentioned line also crosses parts of lots along said South Sixth  
25 Avenue, Eynon Street and Regan Place; thence, along a curve to  
26 the right whose radius is 30 feet and its length of arc being  
27 47.25 feet and its chord being along a line bearing south 87  
28 degrees 07 1/2 minutes west for a distance of 42.52 feet to an  
29 iron pin corner; thence, through, over and across the front  
30 portions of lots fronting on West Elm Street, north 47 degrees

1 45 minutes west for a distance of 353 feet to an iron pin  
2 corner, said last mentioned line being located 10 feet  
3 northeasterly from and parallel with the said northeasterly  
4 sideline of West Elm Street; thence, along a curve to the right  
5 whose radius is 30 feet and its length of arc being 46.99 feet  
6 and its chord being along a line bearing north 02 degrees 52 1/2  
7 minutes west for a distance of 42.33 feet to an iron pin corner;  
8 thence, north 42 degrees east for a distance of 284.13 feet to  
9 an iron pin corner in the first mentioned northeasterly sideline  
10 of Eynon Street; thence, north 47 degrees 45 minutes west along  
11 said northeasterly sideline of Eynon Street for a distance of 72  
12 feet to a corner, the place of beginning.

13 Containing 4.27 acres, more or less.

14 Comprising all of city assessment lots numbered 27B and 28B  
15 in city assessment block number 42 in the 15th ward and portions  
16 of city assessment lots numbered 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,  
17 25A, 25B, 26A, 26B, 27A, 27C and 28A in city assessment block  
18 number 42 in the 15th ward. Also portions of city assessment  
19 lots numbered 1, 1A, 8 and all of city assessment lots numbered  
20 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 4A, 5, 6 and 7 in city assessment block number 7  
21 in the 15th ward, and also portions of city assessment lots  
22 numbered 32, 33, 48, 34, 35A, 35B, 36, 49, 37, 38, 39, 40 and  
23 40A in city assessment block number 8 in the 15th ward, also a  
24 413 foot portion of both Eynon Street and Regan Place abutting  
25 the said lots, which are to be vacated.

26 Bearings of the above description are as the magnetic needle  
27 pointed in March 1966.

28 Subject to two utility easements, being that portion of Eynon  
29 Street, 413 feet in length by 40 feet in width and also that  
30 portion of Regan Place, 413 feet in length by 15 feet in width,

1 inclusive of two portions of land 413 feet in length by 2.5 feet  
2 in width abutting both the northeasterly and southwesterly  
3 sidelines of said Regan Place.

4 Section 3. Restriction of revenue.

5 The proceeds from the sale of the lands described in section  
6 2, or an amount of \$50,000, whichever is greater, shall be  
7 deposited in a special interest-bearing account established by  
8 the City of Scranton. The special account shall be used to  
9 purchase lands within the City of Scranton along the Lackawanna  
10 River for the same purposes as defined in the act of June 22,  
11 1964 (Sp.Sess., P.L.131, No.8), known as the Project 70 Land  
12 Acquisition and Borrowing Act. No funds shall be dispensed from  
13 the special account without approval by the Department of  
14 Community Affairs. Any funds remaining in the special account  
15 after five years from the effective date of this act shall be  
16 paid to the Commonwealth for deposit into the Project 70 Land  
17 Acquisition Sinking Fund.

18 Section 4. Description of deed restrictions.

19 The lands acquired pursuant to this act along the Lackawanna  
20 River by the City of Scranton shall include a deed restriction  
21 as follows:

22 This indenture is to provide land for recreation,  
23 conservation and historical purposes, as said purposes are  
24 defined in the act of June 22, 1964 (Sp.Sess., P.L.131,  
25 No.8), known as the Project 70 Land Acquisition and Borrowing  
26 Act.

27 Section 5. Effective date.

28 This act shall take effect immediately.