
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 854 Session of
1997

INTRODUCED BY BARLEY, MARCH 12, 1997

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE AMENDMENTS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
MAY 6, 1997

AN ACT

1 Providing for the capital budget for the fiscal year 1997-1998.

2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

3 hereby enacts as follows:

4 Section 1. Short title and construction.

5 (a) Short title.--This act shall be known and may be cited
6 as the Capital Budget Act of 1997-1998.

7 (b) Supplements.--A reference to this act shall be deemed to
8 include a reference to the supplements to this act.

9 (c) Fiscal Code.--The provisions and definitions of Article
10 XVI-B of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as
11 The Fiscal Code, shall apply to this act to the extent they are
12 not inconsistent with this act.

13 Section 2. Overall limitations on debt to be incurred for
14 capital projects.

15 The maximum principal amount of additional debt to be
16 incurred during the 1997-1998 fiscal year, and thereafter until

1 the enactment of the 1998-1999 capital budget specifying the
 2 maximum debt for the 1998-1999 fiscal year, for capital projects
 3 specifically itemized in a capital budget pursuant to section
 4 7(a)(4) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, and
 5 the fund to be charged with the repayment of such debt, shall,
 6 with respect to each category of capital projects, be as
 7 follows:

8	Category	Amount	Fund	
9	(1) Public Improvement			
10	Projects:			
11	(i) Buildings and		General Fund or	
12	Structures	\$210,000,000	Special Fund as	
13	(ii) Furniture and		applicable	
14	Equipment	35,000,000		
15	(2) Transportation			
16	Assistance Projects	85,000,000	General Fund	<—
17	ASSISTANCE PROJECTS	135,000,000	GENERAL FUND	<—
18	(3) Redevelopment			
19	Assistance Projects	60,000,000	General Fund	
20	(4) Flood Control			
21	Projects	11,000,000	General Fund	
22	Total	\$401,000,000		<—
23	(5) HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION			<—
24	PROJECTS	75,000,000	MOTOR LICENSE	
25			FUND	
26	TOTAL	\$526,000,000		

27 SECTION 3. HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT RESTRICTIONS.

28 (A) BOND PROCEEDS AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 2(5) SHALL BE
 29 USED ONLY FOR PROJECTS WITH ENGINEERING SPECIFICATIONS WITH
 30 PROJECTED DURABILITY, AS DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF

1 TRANSPORTATION, OF NOT LESS THAN 30 YEARS.

2 (B) BOND PROCEEDS AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 2(5) SHALL BE
3 USED ONLY FOR PROJECTS THAT DEMONSTRATE NEED AND MERIT OVER
4 OTHER PROJECTS AND SHALL NOT BE USED FOR ANY PROJECT NOT PART OF
5 THE 12-YEAR PLAN OR FOR ANY PROJECT WHICH IS PART OF THE 12-YEAR
6 PLAN AND IS ADVANCED FOR REASONS OTHER THAN MERIT, OR TO MATCH
7 ANY FEDERAL DOLLARS FOR CONGRESSIONAL PROJECTS THAT DO NOT MEET
8 THE SAME STANDARDS FOR NEED AND MERIT AS NONCONGRESSIONAL
9 PROJECTS.

10 Section 3 4. Effective date.

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11 This act shall take effect July 1, 1997, or immediately,
12 whichever is later.