
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 777 Session of
1999

INTRODUCED BY LYNCH, GEIST, FORCIER, ALLEN, SEYFERT, COLAFELLA,
TRAVAGLIO, HARHAI, ZUG, READSHAW, WALKO, HERSHEY AND TRELLO,
MARCH 9, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 9, 1999

AN ACT

1 Providing for capital projects for the fiscal year 1999-2000,
2 itemizing public highway projects to be constructed by the
3 Department of Transportation, together with the estimated
4 financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without
5 the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the
6 projects to be constructed by the Department of
7 Transportation; stating the estimated useful life of the
8 projects; and making appropriations.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Short title.

12 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Capital
13 Budget Project Itemization Act of 1999-2000.

14 Section 2. Authorization.

15 The total authorization for the capital projects in the
16 category of highway projects itemized in section 3 and to be
17 constructed by the Department of Transportation, its successors
18 or assigns, and to be financed by the incurring of debt, or from
19 current revenues of the Motor License Fund, shall be
20 \$16,500,000.

1 Section 3. Itemization.

2 Additional capital projects in the category of public highway
3 projects to be constructed by the Department of Transportation,
4 its successors or assigns, and to be financed by the incurring
5 of debt, or from current revenues of the Motor License Fund, are
6 hereby itemized, together with their respective estimated
7 financial costs, as follows:

8		Total
9		Project
10	Project	Allocation
11	(1) Forest County	
12	(i) S.R.0666	
13	(A) Widen and rehabilitate S.R.0666, from	
14	Village of Lynch to the Village of Whig	
15	Hill, Howe and Kingsley Townships	16,500,000
16	(Base Project Allocation - \$14,000,000)	
17	(Land Allocation - \$1,000,000)	
18	(Design and Contingencies - \$1,500,000)	

19 Section 4. Debt authorization.

20 The Governor, Auditor General and State Treasurer are hereby
21 authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, in
22 addition to any authorization heretofore or hereafter enacted,
23 on the credit of the Commonwealth, subject to the limitations
24 provided in the current capital budget, money not exceeding in
25 the aggregate the sum of \$16,500,000 as may be found necessary
26 to carry out the acquisition and construction of the highway
27 projects specifically itemized in section 3 of this capital
28 budget.

29 Section 5. Issue of bonds.

30 The indebtedness herein authorized shall be incurred from

1 time to time and shall be evidenced by one or more series of
2 general obligation bonds of the Commonwealth in such aggregate
3 principal amount for each series as the Governor, Auditor
4 General and State Treasurer shall determine, but the latest
5 stated maturity date shall not exceed 30 years from the date of
6 the bond first issued for each such series.

7 Section 6. Estimated useful life of projects.

8 The General Assembly states the estimated useful life of the
9 projects heretofore itemized is 30 years.

10 Section 7. Appropriation.

11 The net proceeds of the sale of the obligations herein
12 authorized are hereby appropriated from the Capital Facilities
13 Fund to the Department of Transportation in the maximum amount
14 of \$16,500,000 to be used by it exclusively to defray the
15 financial costs of the projects specifically itemized in section
16 3 of this capital budget. After reserving or paying the expenses
17 of the sale of the obligation, the State Treasurer shall pay out
18 to the Department of Transportation the moneys as required and
19 certified by it to be legally due and payable.

20 Section 8. Federal funds.

21 In addition to those funds appropriated in section 7, all
22 moneys received from the Federal Government for the construction
23 of the public improvement projects specifically itemized herein
24 are also hereby appropriated for those projects.

25 Section 9. Allocation of funds.

26 Whenever as determined by the Department of Transportation
27 that the full estimated financial costs of the projects itemized
28 in section 3 are not necessary for the proper design,
29 acquisition or construction of such projects, the excess funds
30 no longer required may be allocated by the Department of

- 1 Transportation to increase the estimated costs of any one or
- 2 more of the projects specifically itemized in a capital budget.
- 3 Section 10. Effective date.
- 4 This act shall take effect immediately.