

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1974 Session of  
2007

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, OCTOBER 26, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 17, 2007 (P.L. , No.8A), entitled,  
2 "An act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of  
3 the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the  
4 Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the  
5 fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, for certain  
6 institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills  
7 incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year  
8 ending June 30, 2007; to provide appropriations from the  
9 State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance  
10 Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores  
11 Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust  
12 Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the  
13 Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the  
14 Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology  
15 Development Authority Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund to  
16 the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the  
17 Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial  
18 Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30,  
19 2008; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund  
20 for the fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, for the  
21 proper operation of the several departments of the  
22 Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to  
23 spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the  
24 appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive Department of  
25 the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining  
26 unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007;  
27 to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and  
28 State funds from the General Fund, the State Lottery Fund and  
29 the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Fund

for the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006," providing for a transfer to the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund and reducing certain State appropriations to the Senate and the House of Representatives.

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

Section 1. Section 213 of the act of July 17, 2007 (P.L. No.8A), known as the General Appropriation Act of 2007, is amended by adding a State appropriation to read:

Section 213. Department of Environmental Protection.--The following amounts are appropriated to the Department of Environmental

Protection:	Federal	State
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For transfer to the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund.

<u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>35,000,000</u>
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Section 2. As much of section 251 of the act as relates to the State appropriations for legislative printing, computer services and caucus operations are amended to read:

Section 251. Senate.--The following amounts are appropriated to

the Senate:	Federal	State
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Legislative printing and expenses, furniture, technology improvements, restorations, security enhancements, North Office Building modernization,

1 equipment, renovations and other  
 2 expenses.  
 3 [State appropriation..... 16,400,000]  
 4 State appropriation..... 13,400,000  
 5 \* \* \*  
 6 For the Computer Services Account  
 7 (R) and the Computer Services Account  
 8 (D), including the payment of  
 9 salaries, wages, operating costs,  
 10 contracts, equipment, software and  
 11 other incidental materials and  
 12 expenses. The sum appropriated shall  
 13 be divided equally by the State  
 14 Treasurer and shall be deposited into  
 15 the Computer Services Account (R) and  
 16 the Computer Services Account (D).  
 17 [State appropriation..... 10,700,000]  
 18 State appropriation..... 8,700,000  
 19 \* \* \*  
 20 For the Caucus Operations Account  
 21 (R) and the Caucus Operations Account  
 22 (D) for payment of salaries, wages and  
 23 all other incidental expenses incurred  
 24 in hiring personnel and staff for  
 25 services which, in the opinion of the  
 26 Floor Leader (R) or the Floor Leader  
 27 (D) as may be appropriate, may be  
 28 required or arise during legislative  
 29 sessions and during the interim  
 30 between legislative sessions and for

1 the payment of all other expenses,  
2 including member lodging rental,  
3 related to the performance of Senate  
4 duties and responsibilities. Upon  
5 presentation of requisitions by the  
6 Chief Clerk for such compensation or  
7 expenses, such shall be paid on  
8 warrant of the State Treasurer  
9 directly to and in favor of the  
10 persons designated in such requisition  
11 as entitled to receive such  
12 compensation or expenses. The sum  
13 appropriated shall be divided equally  
14 by the State Treasurer and shall be  
15 deposited into the Caucus Operations  
16 Account (R) and the Caucus Operations  
17 Account (D).

18	[State appropriation.....	38,500,000]
19	<u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>33,500,000</u>

20 \* \* \*

21 Section 3. As much of section 252 of the act as relates to  
22 the State appropriations for House employees, the Bipartisan  
23 Management Committee, the Chief Clerk, the Comptroller, the  
24 Commonwealth Emergency Medical System, legislative printing, the  
25 Special Leadership Accounts and the Legislative Management  
26 Committee of the House of Representatives are amended to read:

27 Section 252. House of  
28 Representatives.--The following  
29 amounts are appropriated to the House  
30 of Representatives:

Federal	State
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2   Salaries:

3       For the salaries of House employees

4   (R) and House employees (D). The sum

5   appropriated shall be allocated by the

6   State Treasurer and shall be deposited

7   in separate accounts for the House

8   Employees Account (R) in the amount of

9   [\$16,225,000] \$14,153,000 and the

10   House Employees Account (D) in the

11   amount of [\$20,225,000] \$17,297,000.

12               [State appropriation..... 36,450,000]

13               State appropriation..... 31,450,000

14       \* \* \*

15       Bipartisan Management Committee,

16   Chief Clerk, Comptroller and the

17   Commonwealth Emergency Medical System.

18               [State appropriation..... 12,814,000]

19               State appropriation..... 10,814,000

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21       Legislative printing and expenses.

22               [State appropriation..... 17,165,000]

23               State appropriation..... 14,165,000

24       \* \* \*

25       For the payment to the Special

26   Leadership Account (R) and the Special

27   Leadership Account (D) for payment of

28   salaries, wages and all other

29   incidental expenses incurred in hiring

30   personnel and staff or for services,

1 which, in the opinion of the Majority  
2 Leader or Minority Leader  
3 respectively, may be required or arise  
4 during legislative sessions and during  
5 the interim between legislative  
6 sessions and for the payment of all  
7 other expenses related to the  
8 performance of his duties and  
9 responsibilities. The portion  
10 designated below of the sum  
11 appropriated shall be paid on warrant  
12 of the State Treasurer in favor of the  
13 Majority Leader and the Minority  
14 Leader, respectively, on the  
15 presentation of his requisition for  
16 the same. The Majority Leader and the  
17 Minority Leader, respectively, shall,  
18 not later than 30 days after the  
19 termination of his term of office or  
20 until his successor is elected and  
21 also within 30 days after the  
22 adjournment of any regular or special  
23 session, file an account, together  
24 with supporting documents whenever  
25 possible, in the office of the  
26 Majority Leader or the Minority  
27 Leader, respectively, of such expenses  
28 since the filing of the prior account.  
29 The sum appropriated shall be  
30 allocated by the State Treasurer and

1 shall be deposited as follows: (i)  
2 the Special Leadership Account (R) in  
3 the amount of [\$9,082,000] \$6,794,000  
4 and (ii) the Special Leadership  
5 Account (D) in the amount of  
6 [\$11,015,000] \$8,303,000.

7	[State appropriation.....	20,097,000]
8	<u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>15,097,000</u>

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10 For allocation in such amounts as  
11 may be designated by the Legislative  
12 Management Committee (R) or the  
13 Legislative Management Committee (D),  
14 as appropriate, to the several  
15 standing committees (other than the  
16 Committee on Appropriations) of the  
17 House for payment of compensation of  
18 counsel, research assistants and other  
19 staff personnel hired and assigned to  
20 work on behalf of the chairman and the  
21 majority members of such standing  
22 committees and on behalf of the  
23 minority members of such standing  
24 committees of the House and for other  
25 necessary expenses incurred. Upon  
26 presentation of requisitions by the  
27 Chief Clerk of the House for such  
28 compensation or expenses, such shall  
29 be paid on warrant of the State  
30 Treasurer directly to and in favor of

1 the persons designated in such  
2 requisitions as entitled to receive  
3 such compensation or expenses. An  
4 accounting, together with supporting  
5 documents whenever possible, shall be  
6 filed in the office of the Chief Clerk  
7 of such expenses since the filing of  
8 the prior account. The sum  
9 appropriated shall be divided equally  
10 by the State Treasurer and shall be  
11 deposited into separate accounts for  
12 the Legislative Management Committee  
13 Account (R) and the Legislative  
14 Management Committee Account (D).

15	[State appropriation.....	41,314,000]
16	<u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>31,314,000</u>

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18 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.