## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE BILL

No. 1292 Session of 2008

INTRODUCED BY FOLMER, ERICKSON AND REGOLA, FEBRUARY 20, 2008

REFERRED TO FINANCE, FEBRUARY 20, 2008

## AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), entitled, 2 as amended, "An act relating to the finances of the State 3 government; providing for the settlement, assessment, collection, and lien of taxes, bonus, and all other accounts 5 due the Commonwealth, the collection and recovery of fees and other money or property due or belonging to the Commonwealth, 7 or any agency thereof, including escheated property and the 8 proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other 9 disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the 10 possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and 11 appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to 12 the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth 13 14 and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting 15 moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, 16 and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth, 17 authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes 18 to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of 19 section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of 20 Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of 21 certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every 22 department, board, commission, and officer of the State government, every political subdivision of the State, and 23 24 certain officers of such subdivisions, every person, 25 association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or 26 collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or 27 28 other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, 29 every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the 30 Commonwealth, " establishing the Revenue Enhancement Fund.

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

- 1 Section 1. Article XVII-A of the act of April 9, 1929
- 2 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, is amended by
- 3 adding a subarticle to read:
- 4 <u>SUBARTICLE G</u>
- 5 <u>REVENUE ENHANCEMENT FUND</u>
- 6 Section 1761-G. Establishment of Revenue Enhancement Fund.
- 7 There is established a special fund to be known as the
- 8 Revenue Enhancement Fund.
- 9 <u>Section 1762-G.</u> <u>Donations to the Revenue Enhancement Fund.</u>
- 10 A person may make a monetary donation and designate the
- 11 donation for the Revenue Enhancement Fund. The donation shall be
- 12 deposited in or transferred to the Revenue Enhancement Fund.
- 13 <u>Section 1763-G. Appropriations from the Revenue Enhancement</u>
- 14 Fund.
- 15 Appropriations from the Revenue Enhancement Fund may be made
- 16 by the General Assembly and shall be used only for public
- 17 purposes.
- 18 Section 1764-G. Method of donations.
- 19 Persons making a donation pursuant to this subarticle may:
- 20 (1) include a donation when filing a State personal
- 21 <u>income tax return pursuant to the instructions of the</u>
- 22 Department of Revenue;
- 23 (2) designate some or all of a State personal income tax
- 24 refund for transfer into the Revenue Enhancement Fund; or
- 25 (3) deliver such donation to the State Treasurer in a
- 26 <u>manner prescribed by the State Treasurer.</u>
- 27 <u>Section 1765-G. Information in State tax returns.</u>
- 28 The Department of Revenue shall include information in the
- 29 <u>instructions of the State personal income tax return about</u>
- 30 <u>donations that may be made pursuant to the provisions of this</u>

- 1 <u>subarticle</u>.
- 2 Section 2. Donations to the Revenue Enhancement Fund may
- 3 begin with the income tax filings for the year this act takes
- 4 effect.
- 5 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.