THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY EVANKOVICH, DENLINGER, GABLER, C. HARRIS, F. KELLER, M. K. KELLER, KNOWLES, KORTZ, LAWRENCE, LONGIETTI, LUCAS, METCALFE, OBERLANDER AND SAINATO, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITEE ON FINANCE, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to the finances of the State 2 government; providing for the settlement, assessment, 3 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, or any agency thereof, including escheated property and the 6 proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other 8 disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the 9 10 possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims 11 against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to 12 the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth 13 and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting 14 15 moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth, 16 authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes 17 to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of 18 section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of 19 Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of 20 certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every 21 department, board, commission, and officer of the State 22 government, every political subdivision of the State, and 23 certain officers of such subdivisions, every person, 24 25 association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or 26 collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws 27 imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or 28 other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the 29 Commonwealth," in permit extensions, further providing for 30 existing approval. 31

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- 1 hereby enacts as follows:
- 2 Section 1. Section 1603-I(a) and (b) of the act of April 9,
- 3 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, added July 6,
- 4 2010 (P.L.279, No.46), are amended and the section is amended by
- 5 adding a subsection to read:
- 6 Section 1603-I. Existing approval.
- 7 (a) Automatic suspension. -- [The expiration date of an
- 8 approval by a government agency that is granted for or in effect
- 9 during the extension period, whether obtained before or after
- 10 the beginning of the extension period, shall be automatically
- 11 suspended during the extension period.] For any approval by a
- 12 government agency that is granted for or in effect between the
- 13 beginning of the extension period and July 2, 2013, whether
- 14 obtained before or after the beginning of the extension period,
- 15 the running of the period of the approval shall be automatically
- 16 suspended until July 2, 2016.
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- 18 (a.2) Limitation.--Any government approval granted after
- 19 July 2, 2013, shall not be extended beyond the normal approval
- 20 periods of the government agency without the permission or
- 21 approval of the government agency.
- 22 (b) Duration.--[Nothing in this section shall shorten the
- 23 term or duration an approval relating to development would have
- 24 had in the absence of the enactment of this section.] The
- 25 extension period established by this act shall be the maximum
- 26 approval period authorized by this article and shall supersede
- 27 the normal time period for approvals relating to development.
- 28 Nothing in this section shall prohibit the [granting of]
- 29 government agency from granting additional extensions as
- 30 provided by law.

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- 2 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.