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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1976 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY McNEILL, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, FRANKEL,  
MARKOSEK, PETRARCA, DeLUCA, DEAN, GIBBONS, PASHINSKI,  
DERMODY, O'BRIEN, TRUITT AND D. MILLER, APRIL 8, 2016

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 8, 2016

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled  
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the  
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the  
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative  
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,  
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or  
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or  
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative  
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and  
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative  
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,  
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the  
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive  
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of  
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and  
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,  
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the  
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other  
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and  
20 commissions shall be determined," in Commonwealth budget  
21 procedures, providing for general appropriation bill  
22 compensation suspension.

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

25 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known  
26 as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding a  
27 section to read:

1       Section 613.1. General Appropriation Bill Compensation  
2 Suspension.--(a) If the General Assembly fails to pass, or the  
3 Governor vetoes, a general appropriation bill for a fiscal year,  
4 compensation and reimbursement for expenses, including per  
5 diems, for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, cabinet officers  
6 and members of the General Assembly shall be suspended until a  
7 general appropriation bill has been passed by the General  
8 Assembly and signed by the Governor.

9       (b) Compensation and reimbursement for expenses, including  
10 per diems, shall be paid retroactively to the Governor,  
11 Lieutenant Governor, cabinet officer or member of the General  
12 Assembly for any service rendered between July 1 and the  
13 enactment of a general appropriation bill in any year in which  
14 the General Assembly has failed to pass or the Governor has  
15 failed to sign a general appropriation bill.

16       Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.