

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1555 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY SAYLOR, JUNE 16, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, JUNE 16, 2017

A SUPPLEMENT

1 To the act of July 28, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.87, No.3),
 2 entitled "An act providing for the establishment and
 3 operation of the University of Pittsburgh as an
 4 instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-
 5 related university in the higher education system of the
 6 Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the
 7 composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and
 8 the power and duties of such trustees; authorizing
 9 appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General
 10 Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of
 11 expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public
 12 support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of
 13 bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring
 14 the chancellor to make an annual report of the operations of
 15 the University of Pittsburgh," making appropriations for
 16 carrying the same into effect; and providing for a basis for
 17 payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting
 18 for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information
 19 disclosure.

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

22 Section 1. The following sums, or as much thereof as may be
 23 necessary, are hereby appropriated to the Trustees of the
 24 University of Pittsburgh for the fiscal year July 1, 2017, to
 25 June 30, 2018, for the purposes and in the amounts as shown:

26	(1) For general support.....	\$144,210,000
27	(2) For rural education outreach...	\$2,563,000

1 Section 2. Payments to the University of Pittsburgh on
2 account of the appropriations for all items as provided in
3 section 1 shall be made on the basis of costs during the fiscal
4 year.

5 Section 3. (a) Payments to the University of Pittsburgh of
6 the appropriations provided in section 1 shall be made monthly
7 during the fiscal year.

8 (b) Such monthly payments shall be made in accordance with
9 the provisions of section 2 on the basis of estimated costs. The
10 estimate of costs shall be submitted by the University of
11 Pittsburgh to the Secretary of Education, the General Assembly
12 and the State Treasurer not later than 30 days prior to the date
13 on which such payment is to be made.

14 Section 4. (a) The University of Pittsburgh shall apply the
15 moneys appropriated by this act only for such purposes as are
16 permitted in this act and shall at all times maintain proper
17 records showing the application of such moneys. Not later than
18 120 days after the close of the fiscal year to which this act
19 relates, the University of Pittsburgh shall file, with the
20 Secretary of Education, the General Assembly, the Auditor
21 General of the Commonwealth and the chief administrator of each
22 branch campus, a statement setting forth the amounts and
23 purposes of all expenditures made from moneys appropriated by
24 this act and other university accounts during said fiscal year,
25 as provided in section 2, used as a basis for receipt of any
26 appropriation during said fiscal year.

27 (b) Such statement of expenditures and costs shall be
28 reviewed by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth, and he
29 shall have the right, in respect to the moneys appropriated by
30 this act, to audit and disallow expenditures made for purposes

1 not permitted by this act and to cause such sums to be recovered
2 and paid by the University of Pittsburgh to the State Treasurer.
3 In respect to expenditures made by the university from moneys
4 other than those appropriated by this act, the Auditor General
5 shall have the right to review only, and he shall file annually
6 with the General Assembly such information concerning such
7 expenditures as the General Assembly or any of its committees
8 may require.

9 Section 5. The University of Pittsburgh shall provide full,
10 complete and accurate information as may be required by the
11 Department of Education or the chairman or minority chairman of
12 the Appropriations Committee of the Senate or the chairman or
13 minority chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House
14 of Representatives.

15 Section 6. The University of Pittsburgh shall present and
16 report its financial statements required under the provisions of
17 this act in accordance with: the generally accepted accounting
18 principles as prescribed by the National Association of College
19 and University Business Officers, the American Institute of
20 Certified Public Accountants, or their successors, or by any
21 other recognized authoritative body; the "Commonwealth of
22 Pennsylvania Budget Instructions for the State System of Higher
23 Education, State-Related Universities and Non-State-Related
24 Colleges and Universities"; and the financial reporting policies
25 and standards promulgated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 and by the Federal Government that apply to the University of
27 Pittsburgh.

28 Section 7. No funds appropriated by this act may be used for
29 costs of personnel and operations of the environmental law
30 clinic.

1 Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, or
2 immediately, whichever is later.