
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1251 Session of
2021

INTRODUCED BY QUINN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, ZIMMERMAN, HILL-EVANS,
R. BROWN, BROOKS, FREEMAN, WEBSTER, DELLOSO AND CONKLIN,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, APRIL 20, 2021

AN ACT

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

1 every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the
2 Commonwealth," in general budget implementation, providing
3 for prohibited expenditures in general.

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

6 Section 1. Subarticle E of Article XVII-E of the act of
7 April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, is
8 amended by adding a section to read:

9 Section 1797-E. Prohibited expenditures in general.

10 No appropriation may be used for any of the following
11 purposes:

12 (1) Payment to the alleged victim of a sexual harassment
13 claim against a public official or public employee of the
14 Commonwealth, regardless of whether or not the claim is filed
15 by the alleged victim, to settle the claim, including payment
16 of costs or attorney fees related to the claim.

17 (2) (Reserved).

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.