

ACQUIRING LAND FOR A STATE PARK
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AN ACT

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Providing for the acquisition by the Department of Forests and Waters, in the name of the Commonwealth, of certain lands in Luzerne, Sullivan and Wyoming Counties for use as a State Park; making an appropriation for said acquisition; providing for the management of said property by said department, and defining the uses to which the property shall be put.

Compiler's Note: Section 303(b) of Act 18 of 1995, which created the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and renamed the Department of Environmental Resources as the Department of Environmental Protection, provided that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall exercise the powers and duties conferred upon the Department of Forests and Waters by Act 257 of 1941.

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

Section 1. For the purpose of preserving and perpetuating the unparalleled beauty of the several glens which converge and from Rickett's Glen, likewise known as Kitchen Creek, and the surrounding area thereof, all of said area being located in Luzerne, Sullivan and Wyoming Counties, and for the further purpose of enjoyment of the same by the general public, the Department of Forests and Waters is hereby authorized to acquire, in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the area hereinabove generally described, or any portion or portions thereof, determined by the department to be necessary, the same to be laid out, preserved and maintained as a State Park.

Section 2. The sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Forests and Waters for the purpose of purchasing said property. No part of said consideration shall be paid until the title to said property shall be approved by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth.

Section 3. After the said property shall have passed into the possession of the Commonwealth, the Department of Forests and Waters shall have full control and supervision thereof, with power to adopt and carry into effect plans for the improvement, preservation and use thereof. The department may enforce such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this Commonwealth, as it may make for the protection of life and property, the maintenance of good order and the carrying into effect the full and proper use of said property as a State Park. The department shall also have power, with the approval of the Governor, to make and carry out such plans for the profitable utilization of the dead and down timber, and such other

operations for the profitable employment of said lands as may not be inconsistent with their full use as a State Park, and which the said department deems to be to the best interests of the Commonwealth. Any moneys derived therefrom shall be paid into the State Forests and Waters Fund.