AN ACT

Providing for the collection, maintenance and availability of information concerning certain interstate compacts and agreements.

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

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Interstate Agreements Records Act."

Section 2. (a) The Department of State shall collect, compile and keep current a list of all existing or proposed interstate compacts and other intergovernmental agreements between or among states, subdivisions of this State and other states, or between this State or any subdivision thereof and the Federal Government, having the force of law to which this State or any subdivision thereof is or may be eligible to become a party. Such list shall contain the citations to the statutes or other official documents of this State, containing the text of any such compact or agreement, together with listing of all other jurisdictions party to the compact or agreement, the date on which each such jurisdiction entered into participation in such compact or agreement with this State or subdivision thereof, the status of each such compact or agreement in respect of withdrawals therefrom and the citations to any act or resolution of the Congress of the United States, if any, consenting to such compact or agreement. The list required to be kept pursuant to this paragraph shall also include compacts and agreements adopted by this State or any subdivision thereof but not in effect by reason of the absence of such other parties thereto as may be necessary to make the compact or agreement effective and binding, and compacts and agreements to which this State or any subdivision thereof is eligible to become a party.

- (b) In any case where the statutes of this State do not contain the full text of a compact or agreement to which subsection (a) of this section applies, the Department of State shall secure a true copy of the compact or agreement and keep the same on file.
- (c) Any amendment, supplementary agreement or administrative rule or regulation having the force of law implementing, adding to or modifying any such compact or agreement to which this State is party shall be listed or filed in the same manner as the compact or agreement itself.
- (d) The Department of State shall make copies of the compacts and agreements or the list maintained pursuant to this act, and any information contained therein available on request to the public, upon the payment of the charges made for certified copies of other records on file in the department, and to the branches and departments of the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions concerned, without charge.

(e) The listing, filing, publication or distribution requirements of this act shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any such requirements contained in particular compacts or agreements to which this State is or may become a party.

Section 3. Every department, officer or agent of this Commonwealth and of its political subdivisions thereof, who shall execute any instrument set forth in section 2, shall furnish a copy thereof to the Department of State.

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.