THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2328

Session of 1976

INTRODUCED BY GLEASON AND BUTERA, APRIL 6, 1976

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, APRIL 6, 1976

AN ACT

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 Executive Department thereof and the administrative 5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 8 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and 10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the 12 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive 13 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of 14 15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, 16 17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the 18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 19 20 commissions shall be determined, "further providing for the 21 powers and duties of the Department of Justice in certain 22 criminal cases involving Commonwealth officials and employes. 23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 24 hereby enacts as follows: 25 Subsection (b) of section 903, act of April 9, Section 1. 26 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of 27 1929, amended December 17, 1970 (P.L.935, No.292), is amended

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to read:

- 1 Section 903. Litigation. -- The Department of Justice shall
- 2 have the power, and its duty shall be:
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- 4 (b) To represent the Commonwealth, or any department, other
- 5 than the Department of the Auditor General, board, commission,
- 6 or officer thereof, in any litigation to which the Commonwealth
- 7 or such department, board, commission, or officer, may be a
- 8 party, or in which the Commonwealth or such department, board,
- 9 commission, or officer, is permitted or required by law to
- 10 intervene or interplead. The Commonwealth shall not pay or
- 11 reimburse for attorney's fees and other attendant expenses any
- 12 State official or State employe who is a defendant in a criminal
- 13 case arising from acts or omissions of said defendant while in
- 14 the service of the Commonwealth.
- 15 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.