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AN ACT

1 Requiring the Commonwealth, political subdivisions and certain
2 authorities to publish annually and before enacting certain
3 tax measures the salaries, fees and commissions paid to
4 certain persons and providing a penalty.

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

7 Section 1. (a) The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through a
8 listing of all its departments, agencies, authorities and other
9 entities, and all political subdivisions and authorities created
10 by them shall publish annually the salaries, fees or commissions
11 paid to all persons who performed professional services for them
12 during the previous fiscal year. The listing shall be published
13 within 30 days after the end of the fiscal year.

14 (b) The persons furnishing professional services under this
15 act shall include but not be limited to architects, attorneys,
16 contractors, engineers and consultants.

17 (c) The publication of salaries, fees and commissions
18 provided for in subsection (a) shall contain a synopsis of the
19 work performed, hours of work involved and charge per hour.

1 (d) A person furnishing professional services under this act
2 shall sign an affidavit describing the services rendered, giving
3 an explanation of the fee, commission or charge made by him. It
4 shall indicate any division, sharing or splitting of fees and
5 state the reason for such division, sharing or splitting.

6 Section 2. (a) The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through a
7 listing of its departments, agencies, authorities and other
8 entities, and all political subdivisions and authorities created
9 by political subdivisions, shall annually publish a complete and
10 accurate listing of expenditures under purchase of service
11 agreements and other contractual agreements involving
12 businesses or persons not employees of the Commonwealth,
13 subdivision or authority.

14 (b) The listing shall contain a synopsis of the purpose of
15 the contract or agreement, the full amount expended or
16 anticipated to be spent for the fiscal year, hours of work
17 involved, if applicable, and the name, address and occupation of
18 the principal owner or owners of the business with whom the
19 contract or agreement has been made or, in the case of an
20 individual, the name, address and occupation of the individual.
21 A principal owner is any person owning 10% or more of the
22 business.

23 (c) A business or individual subject to this act shall sign
24 an affidavit affirming the accuracy of the information provided
25 under this act. It shall indicate whether the fee received
26 pursuant to the contract or agreement has been divided, shared
27 or split with any other person and, if so, shall state the
28 reason for such division, sharing or splitting.

29 Section 3. Whenever the Commonwealth or a political
30 subdivision considers increasing a tax or the enactment of a new

1 form of tax it shall, prior thereto, publish a list of all
2 salaries, commissions or fees paid during the current fiscal
3 year or to be paid by the end of the current fiscal year to the
4 persons furnishing it the various services and contractual
5 arrangements covered by this act.

6 Section 4. A political subdivision which receives money from
7 the Commonwealth during any fiscal year shall, within 60 days
8 after the end of the fiscal year, provide it with a certified
9 copy of the list of salaries, fees and commissions paid by it
10 during the previous fiscal year to persons furnishing the
11 various services and contractual arrangements covered by this
12 act.

13 Section 5. A person who violates a provision of this act is
14 guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

15 Section 6. This act shall take effect in 90 days.