
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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SENATOR SMITH, APPROPRIATIONS, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED,
SEPTEMBER 11, 1978

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 5, 1972 (Sp.Sess. No.1, P.L.2019,
2 No.4), entitled "An act implementing the provisions of clause
3 (1) of subsection (a) of section 7 of Article VIII of the
4 Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorizing
5 the incurring of debt for the rehabilitation of areas
6 affected by the Great Storm and Floods of September, 1971 and
7 June, 1972 through urban redevelopment assistance; imposing
8 duties upon the Governor, the Auditor General and State
9 Treasurer; prescribing the procedures for the issuance, sale
10 and payment of general obligations bonds, the funding of debt
11 and refunding of bonds; exempting said bonds from State and
12 local taxation; creating certain funds; and making an
13 appropriation," providing for the borrowing of an additional
14 sum to rehabilitate areas affected by the Great Flood of
15 July, 1977 and providing for the disposition and
16 appropriation of the additional funds.

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

19 Section 1. The title, act of October 5, 1972 (Sp.Sess. No.1,
20 P.L.2019, No.4), entitled "An act implementing the provisions of
21 clause (1) of subsection (a) of section 7 of Article VIII of the
22 Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorizing the
23 incurring of debt for the rehabilitation of areas affected by
24 the Great Storm and Floods of September, 1971 and June, 1972

1 through urban redevelopment assistance; imposing duties upon the
2 Governor, the Auditor General and State Treasurer; prescribing
3 the procedures for the issuance, sale and payment of general
4 obligations bonds, the funding of debt and refunding of bonds;
5 exempting said bonds from State and local taxation; creating
6 certain funds; and making an appropriation," is amended to read:

7 AN ACT

8 Implementing the provisions of clause (1) of subsection (a) of
9 section 7 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the
10 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorizing the incurring of
11 debt for the rehabilitation of areas affected by the Great
12 Storm and Floods of September, 1971 and June, 1972, and the
13 Great Flood of July, 1977 through urban redevelopment
14 assistance; imposing duties upon the Governor, the Auditor
15 General and State Treasurer; prescribing the procedures for
16 the issuance, sale and payment of general obligations bonds,
17 the funding of debt and refunding of bonds; exempting said
18 bonds from State and local taxation; creating certain funds;
19 and making an appropriation.

20 Section 2. Section 1 of the act, amended June 27, 1973
21 (P.L.88, No.38), is amended to read:

22 Section 1. Borrowing of Money Authorized.--Pursuant to the
23 provisions of clause (1) of subsection (a) of section 7 of
24 Article VIII of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of
25 Pennsylvania, the Commonwealth is hereby authorized and directed
26 to borrow, from time to time, money not exceeding in the
27 aggregate (i) the sum of one hundred forty million dollars
28 (\$140,000,000), as may be found necessary to carry out the
29 rehabilitation of areas affected by the Great Storm and Floods
30 of September, 1971 [and] June, 1972 and July, 1977 through

1 urban redevelopment assistance, and (ii) the sum of ~~thirty~~ <—
2 ~~million dollars (\$30,000,000)~~ FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS <—
3 (\$50,000,000) as may be found necessary to carry out the
4 rehabilitation of areas affected by the Great Flood of July,
5 1977 through urban redevelopment assistance.

6 Section 3. Subsection (b) of section 3 and ~~section 12~~ of the <—
7 act ~~are~~ IS amended to read: <—

8 Section 3. Disposition and Use of Proceeds.--* * *

9 (b) The moneys in the Disaster Relief Fund are hereby
10 specifically dedicated to meeting the costs of rehabilitation of
11 areas affected by the September, 1971 and June, 1972 and July
12 1977 [disaster] disasters, for urban redevelopment assistance.

13 The moneys shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the
14 Department of Community Affairs to pay costs at such time as the
15 department certifies the same to be legally due and payable.

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17 SECTION 4. SECTION 3 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A <—
18 SUBSECTION TO READ:

19 SECTION 3. DISPOSITION AND USE OF PROCEEDS.--* * *

20 (D) SUBJECT TO THE TOTAL LIMIT OF FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS
21 (\$50,000,000), THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED BY SUBCLAUSE
22 (II) OF SECTION 1 SHALL BE ALLOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

23 (1) NO LESS THEN THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$30,000,000) OF THE
24 FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE USED FOR
25 HOUSING DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, RELOCATION AND
26 SERVICES, AND OTHER PURPOSES NECESSARY TO PROVIDE THE
27 INFRASTRUCTURE RELATED THERETO. THE PHRASE "OTHER PURPOSES
28 NECESSARY TO PROVIDE THE INFRASTRUCTURE RELATED THERETO" SHALL
29 BE DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

30 (2) NO MORE THAN THREE MILLION DOLLARS (\$3,000,000) OF THE

1 FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE USED FOR
2 PUBLIC STREETS, BRIDGES, TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION, CURBS,
3 SIDEWALKS, STREET TREES AND BENCHES, PARKS AND RECREATION
4 DEVELOPMENT.

5 (3) NO MORE THAN NINE MILLION DOLLARS (\$9,000,000) OF THE
6 FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE USED FOR
7 FLOOD PROTECTION WORKS, INCLUDING STREAM IMPROVEMENTS.

8 (4) NO MORE THAN SIX MILLION DOLLARS (\$6,000,000) OF THE
9 FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE USED FOR
10 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING COMMERCIAL
11 REHABILITATION.

12 (5) NO MORE THAN SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$7,000,000) OF THE
13 FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE USED FOR
14 SANITARY AND STORM SEWERS AND WATER LINES.

15 (6) REASONABLE PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, AS
16 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, MAY BE
17 EXPENDED FROM THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED UNDER THIS ACT
18 BY THE DEPARTMENT AND BY ADMINISTERING AGENCIES, INCLUDING
19 REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN THE ACT OF MAY 24, 1945 (P.L.991,
20 NO.385), KNOWN AS THE "URBAN REDEVELOPMENT LAW" AND THE ACT OF
21 JUNE 22, 1964 (SP.SESS. P.L.84, NO.6), KNOWN AS THE "EMINENT
22 DOMAIN CODE," BUT NOT INCLUDED ELSEWHERE IN THIS SECTION.

23 SECTION 5. SECTION 12 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:

24 Section 12. Appropriation of Moneys.--The net proceeds of
25 the sale of the ~~\$140,000,000~~ of ONE HUNDRED FORTY MILLION
26 DOLLARS (\$140,000,000) OF obligations herein authorized are
27 hereby appropriated from the Disaster Relief Fund to the
28 Department of Community Affairs to defray the costs of
29 rehabilitation of areas affected by the September, 1971 and
30 June, 1972 [disaster] and July, 1977 disasters through urban

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1 redevelopment assistance. The net proceeds from the sale of the
2 ~~\$30,000,000~~ FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$50,000,000) of obligations <—
3 herein authorized are hereby appropriated from the Disaster
4 Relief Fund to the Department of Community Affairs to defray the
5 costs of rehabilitation of areas affected by the July, 1977
6 disaster through urban redevelopment assistance. After reserving
7 or paying the expenses of the sale of the obligation, the State
8 Treasurer shall pay the moneys as required and certified by the
9 Governor.

10 Section 4 6. This act shall take effect immediately. <—