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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1187** Session of  
1977

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INTRODUCED BY EARLY, STAPLETON, STOUT, MOORE AND KELLEY,  
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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, DECEMBER 7, 1977

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 20, 1977 (No.11-A), entitled "An act  
2 to provide for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and  
3 Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and  
4 for the public schools for the fiscal period July 1, 1977 to  
5 June 30, 1978, and for the payment of bills incurred and  
6 remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal period ending  
7 June 30, 1977," changing certain appropriations.

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

10 Section 1. Section 2, act of August 20, 1977 (No.11-A),  
11 known as the "General Appropriation Act of 1977," is amended by  
12 changing certain items to read:

13 Section 2. The following sums, or as much thereof as may be  
14 necessary, are hereby specifically appropriated from the General  
15 Fund to the several hereinafter named agencies of the Executive,  
16 Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth for the  
17 payment of the salaries, wages or other compensation and travel  
18 expense of the duly elected or appointed officers and employees  
19 of the Commonwealth, for payment of fees of contractual services

1 rendered, for the purchase or rental of goods, services,  
2 printing, equipment, land and buildings and for payment of any  
3 other expenses, as provided by law or by this act, necessary for  
4 the proper conduct of the duties, functions and activities and  
5 for the purposes hereinafter set forth for the fiscal period  
6 beginning July 1, 1977 and for the payment of bills incurred and  
7 remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal period ending June  
8 30, 1977.

9 I. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

10 To the Governor

11 For the salaries, wages and all necessary  
12 expenses for the following purposes and activities,  
13 including the maintenance of the Executive Mansion,  
14 the expense of entertainment of official guests and  
15 members of the General Assembly and the Judiciary,  
16 participation in the Governor's Conference, the  
17 expenses of the Executive Board, and for the payment  
18 of traveling expenses of persons other than employees  
19 of the Commonwealth appointed by the Governor to  
20 represent or otherwise serve the Commonwealth:

21 Administration of the Office of the  
22 Governor.....\$ [2,100,000]  
23 2,060,000 <—  
24 2,000,000 <—

25 \* \* \*

26 For the administration and operation of the  
27 Office for Human Resources: Provided, That no  
28 allocation may be made from this appropriation  
29 for the Nursing Home Ombudsman Project..... [224,000]  
30 168,000

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2 For the administration and operation of the

3 Office of the Budget..... [1,690,000]

4 1,620,000

5 For the salaries, wages and all necessary

6 expenses for the proper administration and operation

7 of the Human Relations Commission..... [3,710,000]

8 3,672,000

9 For the conduct of the work of the Pennsylvania

10 Council on the Arts, requisitions to be signed by

11 the Governor..... [2,000,000]

12 ~~1,980,000~~ ←

13 1,900,000 ←

14 For the administration and operation of the

15 Pennsylvania Commission for Women..... [154,000]

16 139,000

17 \* \* \*

18 To the Treasury Department

19 \* \* \*

20 For the administration of the Board of Finance

21 and Revenue..... [519,000]

22 500,000

23 \* \* \*

24 To the Department of Agriculture

25 For the salaries, wages and all necessary

26 expenses for the proper administration of the

27 Department of Agriculture, including the following

28 programs: regulation of consumer products and

29 promotion of fair business practices, plant health,

30 animal health, rural services and agribusiness

1	development.....	[14,152,000]	
2		<u>13,952,000</u>	<—
3		<u>14,052,000</u>	<—
4	[FOR PAYMENT OF REIMBURSEMENT TO LEGALLY		<—
5	CONSTITUTED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR KENNEL		
6	CONSTRUCTION.....	50,000	
7	FOR THE CONTROL OF STEM RUST OF WHEAT, OATS,		
8	BARLEY AND RYE BY THE ERADICATION OF RUST SPREADING		
9	BARBERRY BUSHES AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT THEREOF		
10	TO COUNTIES MAKING LIKE EXPENDITURES OF COUNTY		
11	FUNDS.....	20,000]	
12	* * *		
13	For payment of compensation to owners of animals		
14	destroyed in disease eradication programs.....	[370,000]	
15		<u>200,000</u>	
16	* * *		
17	To the State Council of Civil Defense		
18	For the salaries, wages and all necessary		
19	expenses for the proper administration of the		
20	State Council of Civil Defense, including		
21	emergency disaster assistance.....	[554,000]	
22		<u>504,000</u>	
23	* * *		
24	TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE		<—
25	FOR SALARIES, WAGES AND ALL NECESSARY		
26	EXPENSES FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THE		
27	DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:		
28	TOURISM AND TRAVEL DEVELOPMENT, INDUSTRIAL		
29	DEVELOPMENT, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL		
30	DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE.....	[4,759,000]	

1 4,459,000

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3 FOR SITE DEVELOPMENT..... [1,000,000]

4 850,000

5 \* \* \*

6 To the Department of Community Affairs

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8 FOR THE SALARIES, WAGES AND ALL NECESSARY

<—

9 EXPENSES FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THE

10 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, INCLUDING

11 COMMUNITY ACTION ASSISTANCE, HOUSING AND

12 REDEVELOPMENT, AREA-WIDE SERVICES, MUNICIPAL

13 ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT CAPABILITY, LOCAL

14 RECREATION AREAS AND FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY

15 DEVELOPMENT PLANNING..... [5,900,000]

16 5,700,000

17 For administration of the Volunteer Fire

18 Company, Ambulance Service and Rescue Squad

19 Assistance Act..... [110,000]

20 100,000

21 \* \* \*

22 TO THE COUNCIL ON DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE

<—

23 FOR THE SALARIES, WAGES AND ALL NECESSARY

24 EXPENSES FOR THE PROPER CONDUCT OF THE COUNCIL ON

25 DRUG AND ALCOHOL..... [2,250,000]

26 2,225,000

27 \* \* \*

28 To the Department of Education

29 For the salaries, wages and all necessary

30 expenses for the proper administration of the

1	Department of Education, including criminal law		
2	enforcement, general instruction, special		
3	education, compensatory programs, vocational		
4	education, higher education-professional support		
5	services, achieving economic independence-socially		
6	and economically disadvantaged, local recreation		
7	areas and facilities.....	[14,295,000]	
8		<u>13,295,000</u>	<—
9		<u>13,895,000</u>	<—
10	* * *		
11	FOR THE DISTRICT JUSTICE EDUCATION PROGRAM....	[200,000]	<—
12		<u>190,000</u>	
13	To provide additional complement for the		
14	Department of Education to carry out programmatic		
15	and fiscal programs.....	[163,000]	
16		<u>88,000</u>	<—
17		<u>120,000</u>	<—
18	For the operation of the State Library,		
19	providing reference services and administering		
20	aid to public libraries.....	[1,493,000]	
21		<u>1,486,000</u>	
22	FOR THE PURCHASE OF BOOKS FOR THE STATE		<—
23	LIBRARY.....	[125,000]	
24		<u>100,000</u>	
25	* * *		
26	For payments of subsidies to school districts		
27	on account of basic instructional and vocational		
28	education costs including money due to school		
29	districts for claims prior to 1973 pursuant		
30	to section 2605 of the act of March 10, 1949		

1 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the "Public School  
 2 Code of 1949," said moneys being obligated  
 3 but unpaid due to fund deficiencies as to  
 4 liabilities: Provided, That the Secretary  
 5 of Education, with the approval of the Governor,  
 6 may make payments from this appropriation in  
 7 advance of the due date prescribed by law to  
 8 school districts which are financially handicapped,  
 9 whenever he shall deem it necessary to make such  
 10 advanced payments to enable the school districts  
 11 to keep their public schools open: And, provided,  
 12 That the Secretary of Education shall forgive for  
 13 the 1977-1978 year only, the amount of \$30,000,000  
 14 owed by the school districts or intermediate  
 15 units of the first class to the Commonwealth  
 16 on account of advance payments made for  
 17 vocational education during the 1976-1977  
 18 fiscal year, contingent upon a written agreement  
 19 by the school district that the school district  
 20 shall repay the \$30,000,000 at the rate of \$3,000,000  
 21 each year beginning with the 1978-1979 fiscal year  
 22 and each year thereafter until the full \$30,000,000  
 23 has been repaid.....[1,297,822,000]

24 1,294,822,000 <—

25 1,293,500,000 <—

26 \* \* \*

27 ~~For payments to school districts and~~ <—

28 ~~intermediate units on account of special~~

29 ~~education of exceptional children in public~~

30 ~~schools.....~~ ~~—[98,528,000]~~

1 95,000,000

2 FOR PAYMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH'S SHARE OF THE ←

3 APPROVED OPERATING COSTS AND LEASE PAYMENTS OF

4 INTERMEDIATE UNITS..... [7,452,000]

5 7,193,000

6 \* \* \*

7 FOR PAYMENT OF REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION INTO THE

8 CONTINGENT RESERVE AND SUPPLEMENTAL ACCOUNTS OF

9 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND..... [160,760,000]

10 158,760,000

11 [IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR CONTRIBUTION TO THE

12 RETIREMENT FUND, THIS APPROPRIATION INCLUDES

13 \$2,000,000 FOR CONTINUED REPAYMENT OF PAST

14 UNDERFUNDING OF THE COMMONWEALTH'S OBLIGATIONS.

15 THIS REPAYMENT WILL REDUCE THE ORIGINAL DEFICIT

16 OF \$90,000,000 TO \$59,000,000.

17 IT IS THE SPECIFIC INTENT OF THE GENERAL

18 ASSEMBLY TO PAY THIS DEFICIT AT THE RATE OF

19 \$9,000,000 A YEAR FOR FIVE YEARS AND \$7,000,000

20 THE SIXTH YEAR TO REDUCE THE BALANCE TO ZERO.]

21 \* \* \*

22 For operation and administration of programs

23 of education and training at State schools and

24 hospitals..... [10,177,000]

25 7,350,000 ←

26 9,500,000 ←

27 \* \* \*

28 For the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

29 \* \* \*

30 For the purpose of allotting institutional

1 assistance grants for the academic year beginning  
 2 on or about September 1, 1977, pursuant to the  
 3 criterion contained in the act of July 18, 1974  
 4 (P.L.483, No.174), known as "The Institutional  
 5 Assistance Grants Act"..... 14,000,000

6 \* \* \*

7 To the Department of Environmental Resources

8 \* \* \*

9 FOR TOPOGRAPHIC AND GEOLOGIC SURVEY..... [1,500,000] ←  
 10 1,400,000

11 \* \* \*

12 For deep mine safety..... [2,300,000]  
 13 2,144,000

14 For occupational health..... [650,000]  
 15 633,000

16 For surface mine reclamation..... [2,180,000]  
 17 2,000,000

18 FOR LAND PROTECTION..... [2,409,000] ←  
 19 2,309,000

20 \* \* \*

21 FOR AIR QUALITY AND NOISE CONTROL..... [2,980,000] ←  
 22 2,830,000

23 For community environmental control..... [6,235,000]  
 24 5,835,000

25 For radiological health..... [712,000]  
 26 622,000

27 For State forestry operations..... [10,300,000]  
 28 10,222,000 ←

29 10,000,000 ←  
 30 For gypsy moth spraying operations..... [500,000]

1		<u>400,000</u>	
2	* * *		
3	For State parks.....	[19,894,000]	
4		<u>18,894,000</u>	
5	* * *		
6	TO PROVIDE GRANTS FOR RAT CONTROL PROGRAMS		←
7	INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EXTERMINATION		
8	MEASURES, IMPROVEMENT OF REFUSE COLLECTION AND		
9	GARBAGE COLLECTIONS, SERVICES AND COMMUNITY		
10	EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO PROMOTE		
11	PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT OF THE PROGRAMS BY		
12	RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS.....	[500,000]	
13		<u>350,000</u>	
14	FOR APPALACHIAN TRAIL PRESERVATION.....	[500,000]	
15		<u>100,000</u>	
16	* * *		
17	TO THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES		
18	* * *		
19	FOR REPLACEMENT OF VEHICLES.....	[784,000]	
20		<u>200,000</u>	
21	* * *		
22	To the Department of Health		
23	* * *		
24	For the operation of Bureau of Vital		
25	Statistics.....	[3,113,000]	
26		<u>3,077,000</u>	
27	For the operation of the State Laboratory.....	[2,164,000]	
28		<u>2,064,000</u>	←
29		<u>2,140,000</u>	←
30	For the operation of State Health Care		

1	Centers, including the district offices of the		
2	Department of Health.....	[9,400,000]	
3		<u>9,000,000</u>	
4	* * *		
5	For maternal and child health.....	[607,000]	
6		<u>550,000</u>	
7	* * *		
8	To the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission		
9	* * *		
10	For administration of the Washington Crossing		
11	Park Commission and operation and maintenance of		
12	the Washington Crossing State Park.....	[592,000]	
13		<u>542,000</u>	
14	For administration of the Brandywine Battle-		
15	field Park Commission and operation and mainten-		
16	ance of Brandywine Battlefield Park.....	[118,000]	
17		<u>112,000</u>	
18	* * *		
19	To the Department of Insurance		
20	For the salaries, wages and all necessary		
21	expenses for the proper administration of the		
22	Department of Insurance including policyholder		
23	services and protection, regulation of rates and		
24	policies, liquidation of companies and regulation		
25	of companies.....	[5,347,000]	
26		<u>5,147,000</u>	<—
27		<u>5,250,000</u>	<—
28	To the Department of Justice		
29	FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS:		<—
30	ATTORNEY GENERAL.....	[464,000]	

1		<u>439,000</u>	
2	COMPTROLLER.....	[ 301,000 ]	
3		<u>276,000</u>	
4	REGIONAL OFFICES.....	[1,386,000]	
5		<u>1,346,000</u>	
6	COMMUNITY ADVOCATE.....	[ 373,000 ]	
7		<u>348,000</u>	
8	MANAGEMENT SERVICES.....	[ 691,000 ]	
9		<u>666,000</u>	
10	CRIMINAL LAW.....	[176,000]	
11		<u>166,000</u>	
12	INVESTIGATIONS.....	[ 575,000 ]	
13		<u>550,000</u>	
14	GOVERNOR'S JUSTICE COMMISSION.....	[ 510,000 ]	
15		<u>485,000</u>	
16	CIVIL LAW.....	[1,793,000]	
17		<u>1,768,000</u>	
18	CONSUMER PROTECTION.....	[1,185,000]	
19		<u>1,085,000</u>	
20	* * *		
21	<u>CONSUMER PROTECTION OFFICE - SCRANTON.....</u>	<u>100,000</u>	
22	* * *		
23	For salaries, wages and all necessary expenses		
24	of the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission.....	[ 249,000 ]	
25		<u>219,000</u>	<—
26		<u>209,000</u>	<—
27	* * *		
28	FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND ADMINISTRA-		<—
29	TION OF THE STATE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS.....	[ 71,540,000 ]	
30		<u>71,000,000</u>	

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2 FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND ADMINISTRA-

3 TION OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTERS..... [2,100,000]

4 2,050,000

5 \* \* \*

6 To the Department of Labor and Industry

7 \* \* \*

8 For occupational disease payments..... [23,500,000]

9 21,200,000

10 \* \* \*

11 To the Department of Military Affairs

12 For salaries, wages and all necessary expenses

13 for the proper administration of the Department

14 of Military Affairs including emergency disaster

15 assistance, financial assistance to students and

16 income maintenance..... [7,800,000]

17 7,600,000

18 FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE ←

19 HOLLIDAYSBURG VETERANS' HOME..... [917,000]

20 800,000

21 \* \* \*

22 To the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole

23 For the salaries, wages and all necessary

24 expenses for the proper administration of the

25 Board of Probation and Parole reintegration of

26 offenders..... [9,839,000]

27 9,689,000

28 \* \* \*

29 To the Department of Public Welfare

30 FOR SALARIES, WAGES AND ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES ←

1 FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT  
 2 OF PUBLIC WELFARE INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO,  
 3 HEALTH SERVICES SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT, MENTAL  
 4 HEALTH SYSTEMS, SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITIES,  
 5 FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES, MENTAL RETARDATION  
 6 SYSTEMS AND INCOME MAINTENANCE..... [18,500,000]

7 18,000,000

8 \* \* \*

9 FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMS  
 10 AND FACILITIES FOR YOUTH OFFENDERS..... [1,812,000]

11 1,712,000

12 \* \* \*

13 FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND ADMINIS-  
 14 TRATION OF THE STATE INSTITUTIONS FOR THE MENTALLY  
 15 ILL AND THE MENTALLY RETARDED..... [347,102,000]

16 347,000,000

17 \* \* \*

18 For assistance payments and county administra-  
 19 tion of the public assistance programs and medical  
 20 assistance programs:

21 Cash Assistance..... [494,180,000]

22 491,780,000

23 After January 1, 1978 no part of this  
 24 appropriation shall be used to pay general  
 25 assistance to any full-time student at a college  
 26 or university.

27 County Administration..... [22,362,000]

28 20,862,000 <—

29 21,600,000 <—

30 \* \* \*

1 For payment to counties for child welfare  
 2 programs and for the care of delinquent and  
 3 deprived children committed by the courts to a  
 4 private or public facility..... [70,000,000]  
 5 65,000,000

6 \* \* \*

7 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING, OPERATING <—  
 8 AND PURCHASING SOCIAL SERVICES..... [2,533,000]  
 9 2,483,000

10 \* \* \*

11 To the Department of Revenue  
 12 For salaries, wages and all necessary expenses  
 13 for the proper administration of the Department  
 14 of Revenue including corporation taxes, county  
 15 collections, cigarette and beverage taxes,  
 16 education tax administration and administration  
 17 of the personal income tax..... [49,310,000]  
 18 49,110,000 <—  
 19 48,810,000 <—

20 \* \* \*

21 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC UTILITY <—  
 22 REALTY TAX..... [28,500,000]  
 23 28,575,000

24 To the Pennsylvania Securities Commission  
 25 For the salaries, wages and all necessary  
 26 expenses for the proper administration of the  
 27 Pennsylvania Securities Commission..... [900,000]  
 28 890,000

29 To the Department of State  
 30 For salaries, wages and all necessary expenses

1 for the proper administration of the Department  
 2 of State including regulation of consumer products  
 3 and promotion of fair business practice, mainten-  
 4 ance of the electoral process, and for the proper  
 5 administration of the Bureau of Professional and  
 6 Occupational Affairs..... [5,831,000]  
 7 5,506,000

8 \* \* \*

9 To the Pennsylvania State Police  
 10 For salaries, wages and all necessary expenses  
 11 for the proper administration of the Pennsylvania  
 12 State Police, including juvenile crime prevention,  
 13 criminal law enforcement, prevention and control  
 14 of civil disorders, emergency disaster assistance  
 15 and fire prevention and including \$640,000  
 16 which shall be used for a cadet class to  
 17 begin in the 1977-1978 fiscal year..... [59,135,000]  
 18 ~~28,535,000~~ <—  
 19 29,000,000 <—

20 \* \* \*

21 To the State Tax Equalization Board  
 22 For the salaries, wages and all necessary  
 23 expenses for the proper administration of the  
 24 State Tax Equalization Board..... [823,000]  
 25 789,000

26 To the Department of Transportation  
 27 For the salaries, wages and all necessary  
 28 expenses for the proper administration of the  
 29 Department of Transportation including urban,  
 30 rural and intercity mass transportation, rail

1 freight transportation and port development..... [1,089,000]  
2 1,040,000

3 \* \* \*

4 To the Pennsylvania Public Television Network Commission  
5 For the salaries, wages and all necessary  
6 expenses for the proper administration of the  
7 Pennsylvania Public Television Network Commission  
8 including network station grants..... [4,473,000]  
9 4,317,000

10 No allocations may be made from this  
11 appropriation for the support of instructional  
12 television by either the commission or its member  
13 stations.

14 For programming services..... [2,000,000]  
15 1,700,000

16 No allocations may be made from this  
17 appropriation for the support of instructional  
18 television by either the commission or its member  
19 stations.

20 II. LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

21 \* \* \*

22 To the House of Representatives

23 \* \* \*

24 Salaries and wages for per diem and sessions  
25 officers and employees, including returning  
26 officers..... [2,500,000]  
27 2,912,000

28 Salaries of salaried employees of the House  
29 of Representatives..... [3,000,000]  
30 4,386,000

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2 III. JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

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4 COURT ADMINISTRATOR, INCLUDING THE EXPENSES OF  
5 THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF PENNSYLVANIA AND THE  
6 DISTRICT JUSTICE ADMINISTRATOR CREATED BY THE ACT  
7 OF JULY 15, 1976 (P.L.1014, NO.204)..... [1,198,000]  
8 1,098,000

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10 Section 2. Section 10 of the act is amended to read:

11 Section 10. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), that  
12 part of all appropriations, INCLUDING APPROPRIATIONS TO THE  
13 JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, in this act unexpended, uncommitted and  
14 unencumbered as of June 30, 1978 shall automatically lapse as of  
15 that date.

<—

16 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that all moneys  
17 made available to the Legislative Department AND THE JUDICIAL  
18 DEPARTMENT remaining unspent and unencumbered from  
19 appropriations made for all prior fiscal [year 1975-1976] years  
20 shall lapse into the General Fund.

<—

21 (c) The appropriations to the Legislative Department shall  
22 be continuing appropriations.

23 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.