THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2304

Session of 1982

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AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JUNE 7, 1982

AN ACT

- Providing for the establishment and maintenance of a center to provide ambulatory and inpatient services for the diagnosis, 3 evaluation, treatment and rehabilitation of persons who have physical or neuro-developmental disabilities; providing for 5 the transfer from the Commonwealth to the Pennsylvania State 6 University of the functions and operations of the 7 Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth; making an 8 appropriation to support the operation of the center; 9 authorizing a capital budget project, to be constructed by the Department of General Services together with its 10 estimated financial cost; authorizing the incurring of debt 11 without the approval of the electors for the purpose of 12 13 financing the project to be constructed by the Department of 14 General Services, and making an appropriation to defray the 15 cost of the capital budget project.
- 16 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 17 hereby enacts as follows:
- 18 Section 1. Effective July 1, 1982, a center is hereby
- 19 established to be managed and controlled by the Pennsylvania
- 20 State University to provide comprehensive diagnostic and
- 21 treatment services for persons with physical and neuro-
- 22 developmental disabilities amenable to medical, surgical and
- 23 rehabilitative treatment.

- 1 Section 2. The entire management and control of the affairs
- 2 of the center, including, without limitation, services,
- 3 administration, finances and personnel, is hereby vested in the
- 4 Pennsylvania State University, which may exercise with respect
- 5 to the center all of the powers and franchises vested by law in
- 6 the university. The Pennsylvania State University shall, to the
- 7 extent financially feasible, provide a reasonable volume of
- 8 services to persons unable to pay therefor.
- 9 Section 3. Effective July 1, 1982, the functions and
- 10 operation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the
- 11 Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth are hereby
- 12 transferred to the Pennsylvania State University to be performed
- 13 as a part of the functions and operations of the center
- 14 established in section 1.
- 15 Section 4. All allocations, appropriations, agreements (not
- 16 including collective bargaining agreements) to the extent
- 17 assignable, leases and personal property of every nature of the
- 18 Commonwealth which are used, employed or expended in connection
- 19 with its duties, powers or functions relating to the
- 20 Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth are hereby
- 21 transferred to the Pennsylvania State University. All moneys
- 22 received by the university for services rendered by the
- 23 Commonwealth at the Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and
- 24 Youth prior to July 1, 1982, shall be remitted to the
- 25 Commonwealth and all accounts payable arising from operations
- 26 prior to July 1, 1982, shall be paid by the Commonwealth.
- 27 Nothing contained herein shall impose upon the university any
- 28 obligation, claim, demand or cause of action against the
- 29 Commonwealth arising out of or in connection with the operation
- 30 of the Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth by the

- 1 Commonwealth.
- 2 Section 5. (a) The Department of General Services, with
- 3 approval as provided by law, is hereby authorized on behalf of
- 4 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to lease for \$1 to the
- 5 Pennsylvania State University the remaining tracts of land as a
- 6 unit, together with the improvements situate thereon, known as
- 7 the Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth, situate in
- 8 the Township of Mount Joy, Lancaster County, in the Commonwealth
- 9 of Pennsylvania:
- 10 All those four certain tracts of land situate in the Township
- 11 of Mount Joy, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, acquired by the
- 12 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under and by virtue of the act of
- 13 May 14, 1925 (P.L.749, No.408), entitled, as amended, "An act
- 14 providing for the establishing and maintenance of a State
- 15 hospital and center to provide ambulatory and inpatient services
- 16 for the diagnosis, evaluation, treatment and rehabilitation of
- 17 children and youth under age twenty-one who have physical or
- 18 neuro-developmental disabilities; and making an appropriation,"
- 19 containing on the north side of Pennsylvania Route 230, 253.55
- 20 acres, more or less, including parts thereof conveyed to the
- 21 General State Authority and subject to the limitations on same
- 22 totaling 3.828 acres for Projects No. GSA 304-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,
- 23 in the Main Hospital Complex.
- 24 Excepting thereout and therefrom three tracts of surplus land
- 25 with buildings thereon submitted under Article XXIV-A of the act
- 26 of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The Administrative
- 27 Code of 1929," for sale or disposition, No. 1 containing 9 acres
- 28 and buildings on both sides of Cassell Road; No. 2 containing a
- 29 lot, a residence and garage; No. 3 containing the
- 30 Superintendent's Residence and the surrounding land.

- 1 (b) The lease shall contain a provision to the effect that
- 2 the term thereof shall end not later than the date that the
- 3 university informs the Department of General Services that the
- 4 leased premises will no longer be in use to perform the
- 5 functions and operations of the Elizabethtown Hospital for
- 6 Children and Youth.
- 7 Section 6. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby pledges
- 8 its financial support to the Pennsylvania State University for
- 9 the operation of the center at the Elizabethtown Hospital for
- 10 Children and Youth until the termination of the lease, as
- 11 provided in section 5 hereof. ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE ELIZABETHTOWN <
- 12 HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH SHALL REMAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE
- 13 COMMONWEALTH UNTIL THE TERMINATION OF THE LEASE. In the event
- 14 that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania does not make annual
- 15 appropriations during the term of the lease to the university in
- 16 amounts not less than the amount appropriated for fiscal year
- 17 1981-1982 to the Department of Health for the operation of the
- 18 Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth, such amounts to
- 19 escalate to reflect any annual increase in the General Fund
- 20 Budget of the Commonwealth, the university may reduce or
- 21 eliminate services of the center.
- 22 Section 7. (a) An additional capital budget project to be
- 23 constructed by the Department of General Services, its
- 24 successors or assigns, and to be financed by the incurring of
- 25 debt, is hereby itemized, together with the respective estimated
- 26 financial cost and the total additional amount authorized for
- 27 the capital budget project as follows:
- 28 A. Total Authorization......\$29,600,000
- 29 B. Itemization of Capital Budget Project:

- 1 A. The Pennsylvania State University, The
- 2 Milton S. Hershey Medical Center:
- 3 (1) Hospital addition, including a center
- for rehabilitation, physical and neuro-
- 5 developmental disabilities......\$29,600,000
- 6 (Base Construction \$25,000,000;
- 7 Design and Contingencies \$4,600,000)
- 8 (b) The Governor, Auditor General and State Treasurer are
- 9 hereby authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, in
- 10 addition to any authorization heretofore or hereafter enacted,
- 11 on the credit of the Commonwealth, subject to the limitations
- 12 provided in the current capital budget, money not exceeding in
- 13 the aggregate the sum of \$29,600,000 as may be found necessary
- 14 to carry out the construction of the capital budget project
- 15 specifically itemized in a capital budget.
- 16 (c) The indebtedness herein authorized shall be incurred
- 17 from time to time and shall be evidenced by one or more series
- 18 of general obligation bonds of the Commonwealth in such
- 19 aggregate principal amount for each series as the Governor,
- 20 Auditor General and State Treasurer shall determine, but the
- 21 latest stated maturity date shall not exceed 30 years from the
- 22 date of the bond first issued for each such series.
- 23 (d) The net proceeds of the sale of the obligations herein
- 24 authorized is hereby appropriated from the Capital Facilities
- 25 Fund to the Department of General Services in the maximum amount
- 26 of \$29,600,000 to be used by it exclusively to defray the
- 27 financial cost of the capital budget project specifically
- 28 itemized in a capital budget. After reserving or paying the
- 29 expenses of the sale of the obligation, the State Treasurer
- 30 shall pay out to the Department of General Services the moneys

- 1 as required and certified by it to be legally due and payable.
- 2 (e) Whenever as determined by the Department of General
- 3 Services the full estimated financial cost of the capital budget
- 4 project itemized in subsection (a) hereof is not necessary for
- 5 the proper design or construction of the project, the excess
- 6 fund no longer required may be allocated to increase the
- 7 estimated cost of any one or more of the public improvement
- 8 projects specifically itemized in a capital budget.
- 9 (f) In addition to those funds appropriated in subsection
- 10 (d), all moneys received from the Federal Government for the
- 11 construction of the capital budget project specifically itemized
- 12 herein are also hereby appropriated for this project. Any
- 13 Federal funds received for this project shall be used to offset
- 14 State funds allocated for this project.
- 15 Section 8. Upon completion of the capital budget project
- 16 itemized in subsection (a) hereof, the functions of the center
- 17 performed by the Pennsylvania State University at the
- 18 Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth shall be
- 19 transferred to the capital budget project.
- 20 Section 9. (a) Section 2113, act of April 9, 1929,
- 21 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929,"
- 22 is repealed.
- 23 (b) All other acts are hereby repealed insofar as they are
- 24 inconsistent herewith.
- 25 Section 10. This act shall take effect July 1, 1982, or if
- 26 enacted subsequent to that date, immediately.