THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 981

Session of 1983

INTRODUCED BY LUCYK, PISTELLA, F. E. TAYLOR, MANDERINO, MRKONIC, CIMINI, BURD, L. E. SMITH, CAPPABIANCA, DeWEESE, McMONAGLE, DALEY, OLASZ, MARKOSEK, BROUJOS, BELFANTI, BALDWIN, JOHNSON, MOEHLMANN, TELEK, SPITZ, DURHAM, BOOK, ROBBINS, RYBAK, MAIALE, PRATT, BLAUM, COY, MORRIS, D. W. SNYDER, KUKOVICH, PETRARCA, HALUSKA, ALDERETTE, JAROLIN, SHOWERS, STUBAN, SEVENTY, KASUNIC, McCALL, FATTAH, GANNON, AND BELARDI, MAY 10, 1983

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OCTOBER 5, 1983

AN ACT

- 1 Authorizing the indebtedness, with the approval of the electors of \$100,000,000 for mortgage loans to qualified veterans.
- 3 The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has taken but a few minor
- 4 steps to demonstrate its appreciation for the many sacrifices
- 5 its veterans have given.
- 6 In these financially troubled times, one of the most
- 7 paramount problems forcing many persons is the difficulty in
- 8 obtaining a residential mortgage. The legislature of other
- 9 states have adopted various forms of financial assistance to
- 10 their veterans. The State of California adopted a veterans' loan
- 11 program to ease the economic burden for its veterans. That
- 12 program has seen well over 325,000 loans made without costing
- 13 the taxpayers one red cent.
- 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

- 1 believes that its veterans should be afforded the opportunity of
- 2 low interest mortgage loans financed solely through a bond
- 3 issue.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Submission to electors.
- 7 The question of incurring indebtedness of \$100,000,000 for
- 8 mortgage loans to qualified veterans shall be submitted to the
- 9 electors at the next primary, municipal or general election
- 10 following enactment of this act.
- 11 Section 2. Certification to county boards.
- 12 The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall forthwith certify the
- 13 question to the county boards of election.
- 14 Section 3. Format.
- 15 The question shall be in substantially the following form:
- 16 Do you favor the incurring of indebtedness of
- 17 \$100,000,000 for mortgage loans to qualified veterans?
- 18 Section 4. Conduct of election.
- 19 The election shall be conducted in accordance with the act of
- 20 June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania
- 21 Election Code, except that the time limits for advertisement of
- 22 notice of the election may be waived as to the question.
- 23 Section 5. Use of proceeds.
- 24 Proceeds of borrowing shall be used through FOR THE ISSUANCE <-
- 25 OF mortgage loans to qualified veterans FROM BONDS ISSUED BY THE <-
- 26 PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY.
- 27 Section 6. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect immediately.