THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 13

Session of 1985

INTRODUCED BY SAURMAN, BUNT, HALUSKA, BOWSER, CIMINI, WOGAN, REBER, HAGARTY, E. Z. TAYLOR, HERSHEY, FISCHER, TRUMAN, SEMMEL, CORNELL, BOOK, JOHNSON, ITKIN, SIRIANNI, OLASZ, NAHILL, HERMAN, J. L. WRIGHT, FLICK, BATTISTO AND WESTON, JANUARY 23, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, JANUARY 23, 1985

AN ACT

- Amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), entitled "An act providing for a State Lottery and administration 2 3 thereof; authorizing the creation of a State Lottery 4 Commission; prescribing its powers and duties; disposition of 5 funds; violations and penalties therefor; exemption of prizes from State and local taxation and making an appropriation,"
- further providing for the distribution of funds; and making 7 8
- editorial changes.
- 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- hereby enacts as follows: 10
- 11 Section 1. Sections 2, 6(a)(11) and 12 of the act of August
- 12 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law,
- amended October 17, 1980 (P.L.1088, No.184), are amended to 13
- 14 read:
- 15 Section 2. Statement of Purpose. -- This act is enacted to
- 16 establish a lottery to be operated by the State, the net
- 17 proceeds of which are to be used after June 30, 1972 for the
- 18 purposes of providing property tax relief for the elderly for
- 19 taxes paid in 1971 and thereafter to persons sixty-five years of

- 1 age or older [and], for providing certain free fixed route local
- 2 transit services to persons sixty-five years of age or older and
- 3 reduced fare on group ride transit service to persons sixty-five
- 4 years of age or older and for providing a loan program for
- 5 <u>certain persons</u>. It is further intended to provide a means
- 6 through which to curb illegal gambling operations in
- 7 Pennsylvania.
- 8 Section 6. Powers and Duties of the Secretary of Revenue. --
- 9 (a) In addition to the powers and duties provided by law and
- 10 "The Administrative Code of 1929," the Secretary of Revenue
- 11 shall have the power and it shall be his duty to operate and
- 12 administer the lottery, and to promulgate rules and regulations
- 13 governing the establishment and operation thereof, including but
- 14 not limited to:
- 15 * * *
- 16 (11) The apportionment of the total revenues accruing from
- 17 the sale of lottery tickets or shares and from all other sources
- 18 among (i) the payment of prizes to the holders of winning
- 19 tickets or shares; (ii) the payment of costs incurred in the
- 20 operation and administration of the lottery, including the
- 21 expenses of the division and the costs resulting from any
- 22 contract or contracts entered into for promotional, advertising
- 23 or operational services or for the purchase or lease of lottery
- 24 equipment and materials; (iii) for the repayment of the moneys
- 25 appropriated to the State Lottery Fund pursuant to section 16 of
- 26 this act; and (iv) for property tax relief [and], free or
- 27 reduced fare transit service for the elderly and for providing a
- 28 loan program for certain persons as provided in section 12 of
- 29 this act: Provided, however, That no less than thirty per cent
- 30 of the total revenues accruing from the sale of lottery tickets

- 1 or shares shall be dedicated to subclause (iv) above.
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- 3 Section 12. Disposition of Funds from Sale of Tickets or
- 4 Shares.--(a) All moneys received from the operation of the
- 5 State lottery shall be deposited in a State Lottery Fund which
- 6 is hereby created. Such moneys shall be used to the extent
- 7 necessary for the payment of lottery prizes but the amount so
- 8 used shall not be less than forty per cent of the amount of
- 9 which tickets or shares have been sold. All payments of lottery
- 10 prizes and for expenses of operation of the lottery shall be
- 11 made as provided by law. All moneys remaining after payment of
- 12 prizes and operating expenses shall remain in the State Lottery
- 13 Fund and shall be allocated for the purpose of providing
- 14 property tax relief for the elderly for taxes paid in 1971 and
- 15 thereafter pursuant to the provisions of the act of March 11,
- 16 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the "Senior Citizens [Property
- 17 Tax or Rent] Rebate and [Older Persons Inflation Needs]
- 18 Assistance Act," [and] for the purpose of providing free or
- 19 reduced fare transit service for the elderly pursuant to the act
- 20 of January 22, 1968 (P.L.42, No.8), known as the "Pennsylvania
- 21 Urban Mass Transportation [Assistance] Law [of 1967]," and the
- 22 act of February 11, 1976 (P.L.14, No.10), known as the
- 23 "Pennsylvania Rural and Intercity Common Carrier Surface
- 24 Transportation Assistance Act, " and for providing a loan program
- 25 <u>for certain persons pursuant to the act of</u> (P.L. ,
- 26 No.), known as the "Senior Citizens Revolving Relief Fund
- 27 Act." In the event sufficient funds are not available from the
- 28 lottery receipts to meet the requirements of the act of March
- 29 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the "Senior Citizens
- 30 [Property Tax or Rent] Rebate and [Older Persons Inflation

- 1 Needs] Assistance Act, " or for providing free or reduced fare
- 2 transit service for the elderly under the act of January 22,
- 3 1968 (P.L.42, No.8), known as the "Pennsylvania Urban Mass
- 4 Transportation [Assistance] Law [of 1967]," and the act of
- 5 February 11, 1976 (P.L.14, No.10), known as the "Pennsylvania
- 6 Rural and Intercity Common Carrier Surface Transportation
- 7 Assistance Act," additional funds to fulfill these obligations,
- 8 shall be appropriated from the General Fund for this purpose.
- 9 (b) The moneys in said State Lottery Fund shall be
- 10 appropriated only:
- 11 (1) For the payment of prizes to the holders of winning
- 12 lottery tickets or shares;
- 13 (2) For the expenses of the division in its operation of the
- 14 lottery;
- 15 (3) For property tax relief [and], free or reduced fare
- 16 transit service for the elderly and a loan program for certain
- 17 persons as provided under section 12 of this act; and
- 18 (4) For transfer to the General Fund through June 30, 1972,
- 19 and for the repayment to the General Fund of the amount
- 20 appropriated to the fund pursuant to section 16 of this act.
- 21 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.