

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
No. 2379 Session of
1998

INTRODUCED BY BARLEY, MARCH 11, 1998

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, MARCH 11, 1998

AN ACT

1 Making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania College of
2 Optometry, Philadelphia.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. The sum of \$1,548,000 is hereby appropriated to
6 the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Philadelphia, for the
7 fiscal year July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999, for instruction.

8 Section 2. Payments to the Pennsylvania College of Optometry
9 on account of the appropriation provided in section 1 shall be
10 made quarterly by the Secretary of Education on the basis of
11 costs during the fiscal year. The secretary shall not release
12 more than the first quarterly payment until such time as the
13 Trustees of the Pennsylvania College of Optometry agree in
14 writing to include a minimum of five members appointed by the
15 Governor and the General Assembly. The Governor, the President
16 pro tempore of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate,
17 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Minority

1 Leader of the House of Representatives may each, upon receipt of
2 the written agreement from the trustees, appoint a nonelected
3 official to serve as a member of the board and the terms of
4 office shall be coterminous with that of their appointing
5 authority.

6 Section 3. The Pennsylvania College of Optometry shall
7 provide full, complete and accurate information as may be
8 required by the Department of Education or the chairman or the
9 minority chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate
10 or the chairman or the minority chairman of the Appropriations
11 Committee of the House of Representatives.

12 Section 4. The Pennsylvania College of Optometry shall
13 report its revenues and expenditures and present its financial
14 statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting
15 principles and procedures for educational institutions as set
16 forth in the "Higher Education Finance Manual (1975)" and the
17 "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Budget Instructions for the State
18 System of Higher Education, State-Related Universities and Non-
19 State-Related Colleges and Universities."

20 Section 5. The trustees of the Pennsylvania College of
21 Optometry shall report on forms provided by the Department of
22 Education to both the chairman and minority chairman of the
23 Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chairman and
24 minority chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House
25 of Representatives by September 30, 1999, on how State-
26 appropriated funds were expended for fiscal year 1998-1999 to
27 reduce the costs to Pennsylvania resident students or to provide
28 services to Pennsylvania residents.

29 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998, or
30 immediately, whichever is later.