THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 756

Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY LYNCH, ADOLPH, BEBKO-JONES, BROWNE, CAWLEY, CIVERA, CORRIGAN, COSTA, CRUZ, CURRY, DALEY, DeLUCA, DONATUCCI, EACHUS, GEIST, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HALUSKA, HARHAI, HARPER, HENNESSEY, HORSEY, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KELLER, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEDERER, MARKOSEK, McCALL, McGEEHAN, McGILL, McILHINNEY, MELIO, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PETRARCA, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, SAINATO, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, THOMAS, TIGUE, TURZAI, WASHINGTON, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI, WRIGHT, YOUNGBLOOD AND ZUG, MARCH 6, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 6, 2003

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- Statutes, providing for Pennsylvania Irish Caucus
- 3 registration plates and for the Irish Famine Memorial Fund to
- 4 renovate war memorials.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 9 § 1361. Pennsylvania Irish Caucus plate.
- 10 The department, in consultation with the Irish Legislative
- 11 Caucus of Pennsylvania, shall design a special Pennsylvania
- 12 Irish Caucus registration plate. Upon application of any person,
- 13 accompanied by a fee of \$35 which shall be in addition to the
- 14 annual registration fee, the department shall issue the plate
- 15 for a passenger car or truck with a gross vehicle weight rating

- 1 of not more than 9,000 pounds. The Irish Famine Memorial Fund
- 2 shall receive \$15 of the fee paid by the applicant for the
- 3 plate.
- 4 Section 2. Section 1905 of Title 75 is amended by adding a
- 5 subsection to read:
- 6 § 1905. Payments to special funds.
- 7 * * *
- 8 (d) Irish Famine Memorial Fund. -- Fifteen dollars of each fee
- 9 <u>received under section 1361 (relating to Pennsylvania Irish</u>
- 10 Caucus plate) shall be credited to the Irish Famine Memorial
- 11 Fund, created as follows:
- 12 (1) There is hereby established a special account in the
- 13 State Treasury which shall be known as the Irish Famine
- 14 Memorial Fund. The purpose of the Irish Famine Memorial Fund
- is for the establishment, restoration or renovation of
- 16 memorials and for conducting commemorative activities to
- 17 honor persons who suffered in the Irish famine.
- 18 (2) All moneys in the Irish Famine Memorial Fund are
- 19 hereby annually appropriated to the Irish Legislative Caucus
- 20 <u>of Pennsylvania to be expended by authorized municipalities</u>
- 21 and social organizations, upon application, approved for the
- 22 purposes of this subsection.
- 23 (3) Estimates of amounts to be expended under this
- 24 <u>subsection shall be submitted to the Governor by the Irish</u>
- 25 <u>Legislative Caucus of Pennsylvania for his approval.</u>
- 26 (4) The State Treasurer shall not honor any requisition
- 27 for expenditures by the Irish Legislative Caucus of
- 28 <u>Pennsylvania in excess of estimates approved by the Governor</u>
- or in excess of the amount available for the purposes for
- 30 which the requisition was made, whichever is the lesser

- 1 <u>amount.</u>
- 2 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.