THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, JUNE 7, 2005

AN ACT

- l Establishing the Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Prevention Fund;
- and providing for the deposit of a portion of the liquor tax
- 3 into the fund and for use of fund.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Short title.
- 7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Drug and
- 8 Alcohol Treatment and Prevention Fund Act.
- 9 Section 2. Definitions.
- 10 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 11 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 12 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 13 "Fund." The Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Prevention Fund
- 14 established in section 3 (relating to establishment of special

- 1 fund).
- 2 "Liquor tax." The tax imposed in accordance with the act of
- 3 June 9, 1936 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.13, No.4), entitled "An act
- 4 imposing an emergency State tax on liquor, as herein defined,
- 5 sold by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing for the
- 6 collection and payment of such tax; and imposing duties upon the
- 7 Department of Revenue and the Pennsylvania Liquor Control
- 8 Board."
- 9 "Liquor tax rate." The rate of tax imposed pursuant to
- 10 section 2 of the act of June 9, 1936 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.13,
- 11 No.4), entitled "An act imposing an emergency State tax on
- 12 liquor, as herein defined, sold by the Pennsylvania Liquor
- 13 Control Board; providing for the collection and payment of such
- 14 tax; and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue and the
- 15 Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board."
- 16 Section 3. Establishment of special fund.
- 17 The Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Prevention Fund is hereby
- 18 established as a special fund in the State Treasury. The moneys
- 19 of the fund are hereby appropriated on a continuing basis to
- 20 carry out the provisions of this act.
- 21 Section 4. Deposit of revenues.
- 22 All revenues received by the Commonwealth pursuant to the
- 23 imposition of the liquor tax shall be deposited by the
- 24 Department of Revenue as follows:
- 25 (1) The revenues derived from the first 13.407
- 26 percentage points of the liquor tax rate shall be deposited
- in the Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Prevention Fund.
- 28 (2) The remainder shall be deposited in the General
- Fund.
- 30 Section 5. Use of fund.

- 1 (a) Annual report. -- The Governor shall report on the fund in
- 2 the annual budget which shall include the amounts allocated to
- 3 each program.
- 4 (b) Allocations.--
- 5 (1) The moneys of the fund shall be allocated in
- 6 accordance with the percentages set forth in paragraph (2)
- 7 based on actual liquor tax revenues that were required to be
- 8 deposited in the fund for the immediately preceding fiscal
- 9 year. For the first fiscal year to which this act applies,
- 10 the allocations from the fund shall be based on the revenues
- that would have been deposited in the fund had the division
- of revenues required under section 4 (relating to deposit of
- revenues) been in effect for the immediately preceding fiscal
- 14 year.
- 15 (2) The allocations from the fund pursuant to paragraph
- 16 (1) shall be as follows:
- 17 (i) 11.754% shall be allocated to the Department of
- 18 Public Welfare to provide for a continuum of alcohol and
- 19 drug detoxification and rehabilitation services to
- 20 persons eligible for medical assistance pursuant to
- 21 section 2334 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
- No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.
- 23 (ii) 28.443% shall be allocated to the Department of
- 24 Public Welfare for behavioral health services for
- 25 individuals affected by eligibility changes for the
- 26 general assistance medically needy only program based on
- 27 section 442.1 of the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31,
- No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code.
- 29 (iii) 24.994% shall be allocated to the Department
- of Health to distribute to single county authorities for

- the provision of drug and alcohol services to include prevention, treatment, intervention and case management.
- 3 (iv) 10.234% shall be allocated to the Governor for
- 4 the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to
- 5 provide drug and alcohol treatment-based restrictive
- 6 intermediate punishment programs. The allocation under
- 7 this paragraph shall be expended on programs that treat
- 8 only offenders who fall under 204 Pa. Code § 303.11(b)(3)
- 9 or (4) (relating to guideline sentence recommendations:
- 10 sentencing levels).
- 11 (v) 24.575% shall be allocated to the Department of
- 12 Corrections to provide comprehensive drug and alcohol
- treatment to the inmate population including assessment,
- 14 education, intensive treatment and aftercare.
- 15 (c) Lapses.--Lapses from moneys provided for a program under
- 16 this section shall be reallocated to that department or
- 17 commission and program specified in subsection (b) for use in
- 18 succeeding years.
- 19 Section 6. Repeals.
- 20 All acts and parts of acts are repealed insofar as they are
- 21 inconsistent with this act.
- 22 Section 7. Applicability.
- 23 This act shall apply to the fiscal year beginning after the
- 24 effective date of this section and to each fiscal year
- 25 thereafter.
- 26 Section 8. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect immediately.