THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 219

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY COHEN, MANDERINO, FREEMAN, BELFANTI, BISHOP, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, CURRY, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GERGELY, GIBBONS, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, JAMES, KULA, LEACH, MANN, MARKOSEK, MELIO, M. O'BRIEN, PALLONE, PETRONE, SHIMKUS, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STURLA, WATERS AND WHEATLEY, FEBRUARY 5, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, FEBRUARY 5, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Establishing the Women, Infants and Children Special
- 2 Supplemental Program in the Department of Health and
- 3 providing for its purposes; establishing the Women, Infants
- 4 and Children Special Supplemental Program Fund; and making an
- 5 appropriation.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Short title.
- 9 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Women,
- 10 Infants and Children Special Supplemental Program Act.
- 11 Section 2. Women, Infants and Children Special Supplemental
- 12 Program.
- 13 (a) Establishment.--There is hereby established in the
- 14 Department of Health a program to be known as the Women, Infants
- 15 and Children Special Supplemental Program.
- 16 (b) Purposes of program. -- The purposes for which the program
- 17 is established are as follows:

- 1 (1) To pay for administrative costs of a county agency
- or nonprofit entity that provides food and nutrition to
- 3 eligible persons.
- 4 (2) To improve the efficiency of other programs for
- 5 women, infants and children.
- 6 (3) To establish outreach programs for women, infants
- 7 and children.
- 8 (4) To educate the public about proper nutrition.
- 9 (5) To pay for salaries, benefits, rent and supplies to
- 10 carry out the purposes of this program.
- 11 Section 3. Women, Infants and Children Special Supplemental
- 12 Program Fund.
- 13 (a) Establishment.--There is hereby established in the State
- 14 Treasury a separate fund to be known as the Women, Infants and
- 15 Children Special Supplemental Program Fund.
- 16 (b) Purpose of fund. -- The fund shall be used to carry out
- 17 the purposes of this act as determined by the Secretary of
- 18 Health in accordance with the provisions of this act.
- 19 Section 4. Appropriation.
- The sum of \$5,000,000 is hereby appropriated for fiscal year
- 21 2006-2007 to the Women, Infants and Children Special
- 22 Supplemental Program Fund to carry out the provisions of this
- 23 act.
- 24 Section 5. Effective date.
- 25 This act shall take effect in 60 days.