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PASHINSKI, PAYNE, SHAPIRO, YOUNGBLOOD AND GIBBONS,
MAY 1, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MAY 1, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for an Independence National Historical
3 Park registration plate; establishing the Independence
4 National Historical Park Fund; and further providing for the
5 duties of the Department of Community and Economic
6 Development.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
10 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

11 § 1366. Independence National Historical Park plate.

12 The department, in consultation with Eastern National and the
13 Independence National Historical Park of the United States
14 National Park Service, shall design an Independence National
15 Historical Park registration plate. Upon application of any
16 person, accompanied by a fee of \$35 which shall be in addition
17 to the annual registration fee, the department shall issue the
18 plate for a passenger car, motor home, trailer or truck with a

registered gross vehicle weight of not more than 9,000 pounds.
The Independence National Historical Park Fund shall receive \$15
of each additional fee for this plate.

Section 2. Section 1905 of Title 75 is amended by adding a
subsection to read:

§ 1905. Payments to special funds.

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(d) Independence National Historical Park Fund.--Fifteen
dollars of each fee received under section 1366 (relating to
Independence National Historical Park plate) shall be credited
to the Independence National Historical Park Fund, as follows:

(1) There is hereby established a special account in the
Treasury Department which shall be known as the Independence
National Historical Park Fund. The purpose of the
Independence National Historical Park Fund is to assist and
support educational programs sponsored through the park's
history education center, known as the Independence Park
Institute, which promotes tourism and educates visitors on
the founding of this nation at Independence Hall in
Philadelphia in the Commonwealth.

(2) All moneys in the Independence National Historical
Park Fund are hereby appropriated on a continuing basis to
the Department of Community and Economic Development and may
be expended for the purposes authorized under this
subsection.

(3) Estimates of amounts to be expended under this
subsection shall be submitted to the Governor by the
Department of Community and Economic Development for his
approval.

(4) The State Treasurer shall not honor any requisition

1 for expenditures by the Department of Community and Economic
2 Development in excess of estimates approved by the Governor
3 or in excess of the amount available for the purposes for
4 which the requisition was made, whichever is the lesser
5 amount.

6 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.