

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1896 Session of
2007

INTRODUCED BY ROAE, BEAR, BOYD, BROOKS, CLYMER, COX, DENLINGER,
GRELL, HARHART, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, MARSHALL, MUSTIO, PERRY,
REED, ROCK, ROSS, SCHRODER, SIPTROTH AND SWANGER,
OCTOBER 15, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, OCTOBER 15, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 17, 2007 (P.L. , No.8A), entitled,
2 "An act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of
3 the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the
4 Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the
5 fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, for certain
6 institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills
7 incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year
8 ending June 30, 2007; to provide appropriations from the
9 State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance
10 Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores
11 Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust
12 Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the
13 Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the
14 Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology
15 Development Authority Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund to
16 the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the
17 Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial
18 Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30,
19 2008; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund
20 for the fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, for the
21 proper operation of the several departments of the
22 Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to
23 spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the
24 appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive Department of
25 the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining
26 unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007;
27 to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and
28 State funds from the General Fund, the State Lottery Fund and
29 the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Fund
30 for the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of
31 the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2006, to June
32 30, 2007, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining

1 unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006,"
2 providing for a transfer to the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund
3 and reducing certain State appropriations to the Senate and
4 the House of Representatives.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 213 of the act of July 17, 2007 (P.L. ,
8 No.8A), known as the General Appropriation Act of 2007, is
9 amended by adding a State appropriation to read:

10 Section 213. Department of
11 Environmental Protection.--The
12 following amounts are appropriated to
13 the Department of Environmental

14 Protection:	Federal	State
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16 For transfer to the Hazardous Sites
17 Cleanup Fund.

18 <u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>40,000,000</u>
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20 Section 2. As much of section 251 of the act as relates to
21 the State appropriation for legislative printing and the
22 Committee on Appropriations is amended to read:

23 Section 251. Senate.--The
24 following amounts are appropriated to

25 the Senate:	Federal	State
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27 Legislative printing and expenses,
28 furniture, technology improvements,
29 restorations, security enhancements,
30 North Office Building modernization,
31 equipment, renovations and other

1 expenses.

2 [State appropriation..... 16,400,000]

3 State appropriation..... 0,000,000

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5 For the payment of the expenses of
6 the Committee on Appropriations (R)
7 and the Committee on Appropriations
8 (D) for investigating schools,
9 colleges, universities, correctional
10 institutions, mental hospitals,
11 medical and surgical hospitals, homes
12 and other institutions and agencies
13 supported, in whole or in part, by
14 appropriations from the State Treasury
15 in analyzing reports, expenditures and
16 the general operation and
17 administration of the institutions and
18 agencies, in examining and analyzing
19 requests of the same and of the
20 various departments, boards and
21 commissions of the Commonwealth, and
22 for the collection of data from other
23 states, attending seminars and
24 conferences and in cooperating and
25 exchanging information with
26 legislative budget and financial
27 committees of other states, and for
28 the necessary clerical assistance and
29 other assistance, travel expenses,
30 member lodging rental and all other

1 expenses deemed necessary by the
2 chairman (R) or the chairman (D), as
3 appropriate, in compiling data and
4 information connected with the work of
5 the Senate in compiling comparative
6 costs and other fiscal data and
7 information for the use of the
8 committee and the Senate during
9 legislative sessions and during the
10 interim between legislative sessions
11 to the discharge of such duties. The
12 committee, upon authorization of the
13 chairman (R), shall have the authority
14 to examine and inspect all properties,
15 equipment, facilities, files, records
16 and accounts of any State office,
17 department, institution, board,
18 committee, commission or agency or any
19 institution or agency supported, in
20 whole or in part, by appropriation
21 from the State Treasury and to
22 administer oaths. The Committee on
23 Appropriations may issue subpoenas
24 under the hand and seal of the
25 chairman (R) to compel the attendance
26 of witnesses and the production of any
27 papers, books, accounts, documents and
28 testimony touching matters properly
29 being inquired into by the committee
30 and to cause the deposition of

1 witnesses either residing within or
2 without the State to be taken in the
3 manner prescribed by law for taking
4 depositions in civil actions. Upon
5 presentation of requisitions by the
6 Chief Clerk for such compensation or
7 expenses, such shall be paid on
8 warrant of the State Treasurer
9 directly to and in favor of the
10 persons designated in such requisition
11 as entitled to receive such
12 compensation or expenses. The sum
13 appropriated shall be divided equally
14 by the State Treasurer and shall be
15 deposited in separate accounts for the
16 Committee on Appropriations (R) and
17 the Committee on Appropriations (D).

18	[State appropriation.....	9,800,000]
19	<u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>6,200,000</u>

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21 Section 3. As much of section 252 of the act as relates to
22 the Special Leadership Accounts of the House of Representatives
23 is amended to read:

24 Section 252. House of
25 Representatives.--The following
26 amounts are appropriated to the House
27 of Representatives:

Federal	State
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29 For the payment to the Special
30 Leadership Account (R) and the Special

1 Leadership Account (D) for payment of
2 salaries, wages and all other
3 incidental expenses incurred in hiring
4 personnel and staff or for services,
5 which, in the opinion of the Majority
6 Leader or Minority Leader
7 respectively, may be required or arise
8 during legislative sessions and during
9 the interim between legislative
10 sessions and for the payment of all
11 other expenses related to the
12 performance of his duties and
13 responsibilities. The portion
14 designated below of the sum
15 appropriated shall be paid on warrant
16 of the State Treasurer in favor of the
17 Majority Leader and the Minority
18 Leader, respectively, on the
19 presentation of his requisition for
20 the same. The Majority Leader and the
21 Minority Leader, respectively, shall,
22 not later than 30 days after the
23 termination of his term of office or
24 until his successor is elected and
25 also within 30 days after the
26 adjournment of any regular or special
27 session, file an account, together
28 with supporting documents whenever
29 possible, in the office of the
30 Majority Leader or the Minority

1 Leader, respectively, of such expenses
2 since the filing of the prior account.
3 The sum appropriated shall be
4 allocated by the State Treasurer and
5 shall be deposited as follows: (i)
6 the Special Leadership Account (R) in
7 the amount of [\$9,082,000] \$44,000 and
8 (ii) the Special Leadership Account
9 (D) in the amount of [\$11,015,000]
10 \$53,000.

11	[State appropriation.....	20,097,000]
12	<u>State appropriation.....</u>	<u>97,000</u>

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14 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.