

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2001 Session of  
2007

INTRODUCED BY M. SMITH, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE,  
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KING, LENTZ, MACKERETH, McILVAINE SMITH, MOUL, PETRONE,  
READSHAW, RUBLEY, SIPTROTH, SURRA, TRUE, YOUNGBLOOD, SCHRODER  
AND KULA, NOVEMBER 2, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, NOVEMBER 2, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 7, 1963 (P.L.549, No.290), entitled,  
2 as amended, "An act creating the Pennsylvania Higher  
3 Education Assistance Agency; defining its powers and duties;  
4 conferring powers and imposing duties on the Governor,  
5 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House of  
6 Representatives, Superintendent of Public Instruction and the  
7 Department of Auditor General; and making appropriations,"  
8 further providing for governing bodies.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Section 3(b) of the act of August 7, 1963  
12 (P.L.549, No.290), referred to as the Pennsylvania Higher  
13 Education Assistance Agency Act, is amended to read:

14 Section 3. Governing Bodies.--\* \* \*

15 (b) (1) The board of directors shall provide for the  
16 holding of regular and special meetings.

17 (2) Six directors attending shall constitute a quorum for  
18 the transaction of any business and, unless a greater number is

1 required by this section or the by-laws of the agency, the act  
2 of a majority of the directors present at any meeting shall be  
3 deemed the act of the board.

4 (3) An affirmative vote of fifteen directors shall be  
5 required to approve discretionary spending by the agency of any  
6 amount over twenty-five thousand dollars. Discretionary spending  
7 means an expenditure that is not related to the agency's powers  
8 and duties set forth in section 4. The term excludes an  
9 employee's base salary or benefit package, but includes any bonus  
10 or compensation paid to an employe in addition to the base  
11 salary or benefit package.

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13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.