

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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METCALFE, OBERLANDER AND PYLE, JUNE 13, 2012

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, JUNE 13, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), entitled,
 2 as amended, "An act relating to the finances of the State
 3 government; providing for the settlement, assessment,
 4 collection, and lien of taxes, bonus, and all other accounts
 5 due the Commonwealth, the collection and recovery of fees and
 6 other money or property due or belonging to the Commonwealth,
 7 or any agency thereof, including escheated property and the
 8 proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other
 9 disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the
 10 possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims
 11 against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and
 12 appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to
 13 the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth
 14 and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting
 15 moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,
 16 and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth,
 17 authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes
 18 to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of
 19 section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of
 20 Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of
 21 certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every
 22 department, board, commission, and officer of the State
 23 government, every political subdivision of the State, and
 24 certain officers of such subdivisions, every person,
 25 association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or
 26 collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws
 27 imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or
 28 other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,
 29 every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the
 30 Commonwealth," in permit extensions, further providing for
 31 definitions and for existing approval.

32 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

1 hereby enacts as follows:

2 Section 1. The definition of "extension period" in section
3 1602-I of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as
4 The Fiscal Code, added July 6, 2010 (P.L.279, No.46), is amended
5 to read:

6 Section 1602-I. Definitions.

7 The following words and phrases when used in this article
8 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
9 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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11 "Extension period." The period beginning after December 31,
12 2008, and ending before July 2, [2013] 2018.

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14 Section 2. Section 1603-I(a) and (b) of the act, added July
15 6, 2010 (P.L.279, No.46), are amended and the section is amended
16 by adding a subsection to read:

17 Section 1603-I. Existing approval.

18 (a) Automatic suspension.--[The expiration date of an
19 approval by a government agency that is granted for or in effect
20 during the extension period, whether obtained before or after
21 the beginning of the extension period, shall be automatically
22 suspended during the extension period.] An approval granted by a
23 government agency between December 31, 2008, and July 2, 2013,
24 or an approval by a government agency that was in effect on
25 December 31, 2008, shall remain in effect no longer than July 2,
26 2018.

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28 (a.2) Limitation.--Any government approval granted after
29 July 2, 2013, shall not be extended beyond the normal approval
30 periods of the government agency without the permission or

1 approval of the government agency.

2 (b) Duration.--[Nothing in this section shall shorten the
3 term or duration an approval relating to development would have
4 had in the absence of the enactment of this section.] The
5 extension period established by this act shall be the maximum
6 approval period authorized by this article and shall supersede
7 the normal time period for approvals relating to development.

8 Nothing in this section shall prohibit the [granting of]
9 government agency from granting additional extensions as
10 provided by law.

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12 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.