

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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RAFFERTY, MENSCH AND BRUBAKER, JANUARY 28, 2011

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 28, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," in Commonwealth agency
21 fees, further providing for Department of State; and
22 providing for a uniform code.

23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
24 hereby enacts as follows:

25 Section 1. Section 618-A(1) of the act of April 9, 1929
26 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is
27 amended by adding a subparagraph to read:

28 Section 618-A. Department of State.--The Department of State

1 is authorized to charge fees for the following purposes and in
2 the following amounts:

3 (1) Bureau of Commissions, Elections
4 and Legislation:

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6 (x) Fee for authentication of a
7 document for recognition by a
8 foreign government (apostille) or
9 certification required in an
10 international adoption
11 proceeding..... 5.00

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13 Section 2. Within 30 days of the effective date of this
14 section, the Department of State shall make available and
15 publish in the Pennsylvania Bulletin a uniform form to request
16 for the legalization of documents. The form shall include all of
17 the following:

- 18 (1) Name of requester.
19 (2) Organization.
20 (3) Address.
21 (4) Telephone number.
22 (5) Country for which documents are being prepared.
23 (6) Number of documents to be certified.
24 (7) Whether the request is for legalization of documents
25 for an international adoption proceeding.
26 (8) Signature of requester.

27 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.