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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

AN ACT

1 Authorizing the Treasury Department to process supplemental
2 Security Income state supplement payments for other states;
3 providing for duties of the Treasury Department; and
4 establishing the State Supplement Payments Processing
5 Account.

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

8 Section 1. Short title.

9 This act shall be known and may be cited as the State
10 Supplement Payments Processing Account Act.

11 Section 2. Definitions.

12 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
13 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
14 context clearly indicates otherwise:

15 "Account." The State Supplement Payments Processing Account
16 established by this act.

17 "Department." The Treasury Department of the Commonwealth.

18 Section 3. Processing of payments.

19 (a) General rule.--The department may process supplemental

1 security income state supplement payments for other states that
2 enter into contracts, memorandums of understanding or other
3 agreements with the department.

4 (b) Contracts.--The department may enter into contracts,
5 memorandums of understanding or any other agreements, on a
6 contingent fee or other basis, relating to the its authority
7 under subsection (a).

8 Section 4. State Supplement Payments Processing Account.

9 (a) Establishment.--There is established in the General Fund
10 an account known as the State Supplement Payments Processing
11 Account. The monies of the account are hereby appropriated to
12 the department on a continuing basis as provided by this act.

13 (b) Funding.--All moneys collected or received from
14 processing supplemental security income state supplement
15 payments for other states shall be deposited into the account.

16 (c) Limitation of administrative costs.--Each fiscal year,
17 no more than \$4,500,000 may be expended from the account on the
18 administrative costs related to activities performed under this
19 act.

20 (d) Transfer of balance.--Any moneys remaining in the
21 account after making expenditures under subsection (c) shall be
22 annually transferred to the General Fund.

23 Section 5. Reporting.

24 The department shall issue a report to the Governor, the
25 chairman and minority chairman of the Appropriations Committee
26 of the Senate, and the chairman and minority chairman of the
27 Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives, by
28 March 31 of each year, which shall contain at least the
29 following information:

30 (1) A detailed breakdown of the department's

1 administrative costs incurred for activities authorized by
2 this act for the 12 months prior to the date of the report.

3 (2) The total moneys deposited into the account by the
4 department for activities authorized by this act during the
5 period covered by the report.

6 (3) A detailed estimate of the department's
7 administrative costs for activities authorized by this act
8 for the next fiscal year that commences after the date of the
9 report, including the projected cost of any contract
10 authorized under section 3(b).

11 Section 6. Construction.

12 Nothing in this act shall be construed:

13 (1) As a waiver of sovereign immunity for the purposes
14 of 1 Pa.C.S. § 2310 (relating to sovereign immunity
15 reaffirmed; specific waiver).

16 (2) As authorizing the department or the Commonwealth to
17 indemnify any other party for any loss, damage or shortfall
18 associated with any contract, memorandum of understanding or
19 any other agreement to process supplemental security income
20 state supplement payments for other states.

21 Section 7. Effective date.

22 This act shall take effect immediately.