

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 928 Session of 2015

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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OCTOBER 20, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of February 9, 1999 (P.L.1, No.1), entitled "An
2 act providing for borrowing for capital facilities;
3 conferring powers and duties on various administrative
4 agencies and officers; making appropriations; and making
5 repeals," in capital facilities, further providing for
6 appropriation for and limitation on redevelopment assistance
7 capital projects AND FOR ADMINISTRATION OF REDEVELOPMENT <--
8 ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROJECTS.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 ~~Section 1. Section 317 of the act of February 9, 1999~~ <--
12 ~~(P.L.1, No.1), known as the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling~~
13 ~~Act, amended October 25, 2013 (P.L.648, No.77), is amended to~~
14 ~~read:~~

15 SECTION 1. SECTION 317(B) OF THE ACT OF FEBRUARY 9, 1999 <--
16 (P.L.1, NO.1), KNOWN AS THE CAPITAL FACILITIES DEBT ENABLING
17 ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 25, 2013 (P.L.648, NO.77), IS AMENDED TO
18 READ:
19 Section 317. Appropriation for and limitation on redevelopment

1 assistance capital projects.

2 ~~(a) Appropriation. The amount necessary to pay principal of <--~~
3 ~~and interest on all obligations issued to provide funds for~~
4 ~~redevelopment assistance capital projects shall be appropriated~~
5 ~~from the General Fund and shall be transferred to the Capital~~
6 ~~Debt Fund upon authorization by the Governor.~~

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8 (b) Limitation on redevelopment assistance capital project
9 obligations.--The maximum amount of redevelopment assistance
10 capital projects undertaken by the Commonwealth for which
11 obligations are outstanding shall not exceed, in aggregate,
12 \$3,450,000,000. Beginning July 1, 2018, and each July 1
13 thereafter until the sum of the outstanding obligations for
14 redevelopment assistance capital projects equals \$2,950,000,000,
15 the sum of the maximum amount of outstanding obligations for
16 redevelopment assistance projects shall be decreased by
17 \$50,000,000.

18 ~~(c) Housing units. An amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 of <--~~
19 ~~the amount under subsection (b) may be used for the construction~~
20 ~~of housing units.~~

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22 SECTION 2. SECTION 318(A.3) OF THE ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 25,
23 2013 (P.L.648, NO.77), IS AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY
24 ADDING SUBSECTIONS TO READ:

25 SECTION 318. ADMINISTRATION OF REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL
26 PROJECTS.

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28 (A.3) ACCEPTANCE AND GRANT AGREEMENT.--WITHIN 30 DAYS OF
29 RECEIVING NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL UNDER SUBSECTION (A.2), AN
30 APPLICANT SHALL NOTIFY THE OFFICE IF THE APPLICANT ACCEPTS THE

1 GRANT. IF THE APPLICANT NOTIFIES THE OFFICE THAT IT INTENDS TO
2 ACCEPT THE GRANT, THE OFFICE SHALL FORWARD TO THE APPLICANT A
3 GRANT AGREEMENT TO BE EXECUTED BY THE APPLICANT. THE GRANT
4 AGREEMENT AND ANY ATTACHMENTS THERETO SHALL INCLUDE THE
5 FOLLOWING:

6 (1) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF WHO WILL ADMINISTER THE
7 GRANT.

8 (2) A STATEMENT AND PROOF OF LOCAL FUNDING.

9 (3) AN ITEMIZED STATEMENT OF COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE
10 PROJECT.

11 (4) A CONTRACT OBLIGATING THE APPLICANT TO USE THE GRANT
12 FOR THE PROJECT.

13 (4.1) A SIGNED AFFIDAVIT STATING THAT THE APPLICANT WILL
14 HOLD AT LEAST ONE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING AS PROVIDED
15 UNDER SUBSECTION (L) FOR THE PROJECT AND AN ADDITIONAL PUBLIC
16 INFORMATIONAL MEETING AS NECESSARY UNDER SUBSECTION (M) FOR
17 THE PROJECT.

18 (5) A REQUEST FOR ANY OTHER INFORMATION THE OFFICE MAY
19 REQUIRE.

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21 (L) PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING.--BEFORE THE CONSTRUCTION
22 OF AN APPROVED REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROJECT, AT
23 LEAST ONE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING SHALL BE HELD WITHIN A
24 TEN-MILE RADIUS OF THE PROJECT SITE. IF NO SUITABLE VENUE IS
25 AVAILABLE WITHIN A TEN-MILE RADIUS OF THE PROJECT SITE, THE
26 SECRETARY OF THE BUDGET, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE APPLICANT AND
27 THE STATE SENATOR AND THE STATE REPRESENTATIVE IN THE DISTRICT
28 WHERE THE PROJECT WILL BE LOCATED, MAY EXPAND THE RADIUS BY A
29 REASONABLE DISTANCE. ANY EXPENSES FOR THE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL
30 MEETING SHALL BE PAID BY THE APPLICANT.

1 (M) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.--IF AN APPLICANT SIGNIFICANTLY
2 ALTERS AN APPROVED REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROJECT
3 AFTER A CONTRACT HAS BEEN EXECUTED, THE APPLICANT SHALL HOLD AN
4 ADDITIONAL PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING BEFORE CONSTRUCTION FOR
5 THE PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING WITH THE PUBLIC THE ALTERATION TO THE
6 PROJECT.

7 Section 2 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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