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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, APRIL 21, 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 reports related to redevelopment assistance capital projects  
7 and for administration of redevelopment assistance capital  
8 projects.

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

11 Section 1. Sections 313.1 and 318(a.3) of the act of  
12 February 9, 1999 (P.L.1, No.1), known as the Capital Facilities  
13 Debt Enabling Act, amended October 25, 2013 (P.L.648, No.77),  
14 are amended and the sections are amended by adding subsections  
15 to read:

16 Section 313.1. Reports related to redevelopment assistance  
17 capital projects.

18 (a) Quarterly report.--The Secretary of the Budget shall,  
19 within ten days of the expiration of each quarter of each fiscal  
20 year, provide to the chairman and minority chairman of the

1 Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chairman and  
2 minority chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House  
3 of Representatives a report relating to redevelopment assistance  
4 capital projects which addresses at least all of the following  
5 materials:

6 (1) An itemized list of the redevelopment assistance  
7 capital projects approved in the preceding quarter.

8 (2) An estimate of the amount of funds remaining under  
9 the cap provided in section 317(b).

10 (3) An estimate of the total amount of outstanding debt  
11 related to redevelopment assistance capital projects.

12 (4) An estimate of the amount of outstanding debt  
13 related to redevelopment assistance capital projects which  
14 will be paid in the succeeding four quarters.

15 (b) Disclosure of report.--The Secretary of the Budget shall  
16 make the following information available on the Office of the  
17 Budget's publicly accessible Internet website:

18 (1) All information provided under subsection (a).

19 (2) Each contract for redevelopment assistance capital  
20 projects that constitutes a public record as defined in  
21 section 102 of the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3),  
22 known as the Right-to-Know Law.

23 Section 318. Administration of redevelopment assistance capital  
24 projects.

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26 (a.3) Acceptance and grant agreement.--Within 30 days of  
27 receiving notification of approval under subsection (a.2), an  
28 applicant shall notify the office if the applicant accepts the  
29 grant. If the applicant notifies the office that it intends to  
30 accept the grant, the office shall forward to the applicant a

1 grant agreement to be executed by the applicant. The grant  
2 agreement and any attachments thereto shall include the  
3 following:

4 (1) The name and address of who will administer the  
5 grant.

6 (2) A statement and proof of local funding.

7 (3) An itemized statement of cost associated with the  
8 project.

9 (4) A contract obligating the applicant to use the grant  
10 for the project.

11 (4.1) A signed affidavit stating the applicant will hold  
12 at least one public informational meeting as provided in  
13 subsection (1) for each redevelopment assistance capital  
14 project.

15 (5) A request for any other information the office may  
16 require.

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18 (1) Public informational meeting.--Prior to the construction  
19 of an approved redevelopment assistance capital project, at  
20 least one public informational meeting shall be held within a  
21 ten-mile radius of the approved project site. If no suitable  
22 venue is available within a ten-mile radius, the Secretary of  
23 the Budget, in consultation with the applicant and the State  
24 senator and the State representative for the district that the  
25 project will be located in, may expand the radius by a  
26 reasonable distance. Any expenses for the public informational  
27 meeting shall be paid by the applicant.

28 (m) Additional requirements.--If the applicant significantly  
29 alters an approved redevelopment assistance capital project once  
30 a contract has been executed, the applicant shall hold another

1 public informational meeting prior to construction to discuss  
2 with the public the changes to the initial approved project.

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