

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL****No. 1944** Session of  
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AND SONNEY, DECEMBER 1, 2017

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, DECEMBER 5, 2017

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## AN ACT

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

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

26 hereby enacts as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 613 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,  
2 No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by  
3 adding a clause to read:

4 Section 613. Submission of Budget to General Assembly.--As  
5 soon as possible after the organization of the General Assembly,  
6 but not later than the first full week in February of each year,  
7 except in the case where a Governor has been elected for his  
8 first term of office and then no later than the first full week  
9 in March, the Governor shall submit to the General Assembly  
10 copies of original agency budget requests and all subsequent  
11 revised agency budget requests and a State budget and program  
12 and financial plan embracing:

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14 (5) Suggested legislative language necessary to implement  
15 the operating budget and program and financial plan submitted  
16 under this section. The following apply to suggested legislative  
17 language submitted under this clause:

18 (i) The suggested legislative language shall be sent to each  
19 member of the General Assembly and made available on the Office  
20 of the Budget's publicly accessible Internet website no later  
21 than fifteen (15) days after the submissions are presented under  
22 paragraphs CLAUSES (1), (2) and (3). <--

23 (ii) The submission shall include a general appropriation  
24 bill, other appropriation bills, nonpreferred appropriation  
25 bills or statutory authorizations, including language for  
26 proposals for bills to raise revenue and proposals for formulas  
27 for distribution of money.

28 Section 2. Section 619 of the act is amended by adding a  
29 subsection to read:

30 Section 619. Transmission of Budget Information to the

1 General Assembly.--\* \* \*

2 (e) No later than ninety (90) days after the enactment of a  
3 general appropriation act, the Secretary of the Budget shall  
4 prepare and submit a summary of appropriations to the Majority  
5 and Minority Chairmen of the Appropriations Committees of the  
6 Senate and the House of Representatives. The summary shall  
7 include the following for each appropriation in the general  
8 appropriation act:

9 (1) The name AND DESCRIPTION of the appropriation. <--

10 (2) Whether the appropriation or the program funded by the  
11 appropriation is required by State law.

12 (3) Citations to applicable State law governing the use,  
13 allocation or distribution of the money appropriated.

14 (4) Whether the appropriation or the program funded by the  
15 appropriation is required by Federal law.

16 (5) Citations to applicable Federal law governing the use,  
17 allocation or distribution of the money appropriated.

18 (6) Whether the appropriation is augmented by other State  
19 money.

20 (7) Whether the appropriation is augmented by Federal money.

21 (8) Whether the appropriation is used to receive Federal  
22 matching funds.

23 (9) Whether the appropriation is used to fund a program  
24 which, under Federal law, requires services to be provided to  
25 all eligible applicants regardless of the amount appropriated.

26 (10) Whether the appropriation is used to fund a program  
27 which, under State law, requires services to be provided to all  
28 eligible applicants regardless of the amount appropriated.

29 Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2018, or  
30 immediately, whichever is later.