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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in charter schools, further providing
6 for funding for charter schools and providing for Federal
7 loans, loan forgiveness or grants received in fiscal years
8 2020 and 2021.

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

11 Section 1. Section 1725-A(a)(2) of the act of March 10, 1949
12 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is
13 amended to read:

14 Section 1725-A. Funding for Charter Schools.--(a) Funding
15 for a charter school shall be provided in the following manner:

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17 (2) For non-special education students, subject to section
18 1725.1-A(d), the charter school shall receive for each student
19 enrolled no less than the budgeted total expenditure per average
20 daily membership of the prior school year, as defined in section

1 2501(20), minus the budgeted expenditures of the district of
2 residence for nonpublic school programs; adult education
3 programs; community/junior college programs; student
4 transportation services; for special education programs;
5 facilities acquisition, construction and improvement services;
6 and other financing uses, including debt service and fund
7 transfers as provided in the Manual of Accounting and Related
8 Financial Procedures for Pennsylvania School Systems established
9 by the department. This amount shall be paid by the district of
10 residence of each student.

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12 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

13 Section 1725.1-A. Federal Loans, Loan Forgiveness or Grants
14 Received in Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.--(a) A charter school,
15 cyber charter school or a regional charter school shall report
16 to the department by July 31, 2021, all loans received through
17 the United States Small Business Administration's Paycheck
18 Protection Program, other Federal loans, loan forgiveness or
19 grants received from Federal programs in the fiscal year ending
20 June 30, 2020, and the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

21 (b) The department shall publish the amount reported under
22 subsection (a) on the department's publicly accessible Internet
23 website.

24 (c) The department shall:

25 (1) Calculate the amount each charter school, cyber
26 school or regional charter school received under subsection
27 (a) per student using the most recent year's average daily
28 membership as defined in section 2501(3).

29 (2) Publish the amount calculated under clause (1) on
30 the department's publicly accessible Internet website.

1 (d) For the 2021-2022 school year, the amount to be paid to
2 charter schools, cyber schools or regional charter schools under
3 section 1725-A shall be reduced by subtracting the amount
4 calculated under subsection (c)(1) from the payment.

5 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.