

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 385 Session of 2021

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REFERRED TO AGING AND YOUTH, MARCH 11, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), entitled
2 "An act relating to the finances of the State government;
3 providing for cancer control, prevention and research, for
4 ambulatory surgical center data collection, for the Joint
5 Underwriting Association, for entertainment business
6 financial management firms, for private dam financial
7 assurance and for reinstatement of item vetoes; providing for
8 the settlement, assessment, collection, and lien of taxes,
9 bonus, and all other accounts due the Commonwealth, the
10 collection and recovery of fees and other money or property
11 due or belonging to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,
12 including escheated property and the proceeds of its sale,
13 the custody and disbursement or other disposition of funds
14 and securities belonging to or in the possession of the
15 Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims against the
16 Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and appeals to the
17 courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to the
18 Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth and
19 all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting
20 moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,
21 and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth,
22 authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes
23 to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of
24 section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of
25 Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of
26 certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every
27 department, board, commission, and officer of the State
28 government, every political subdivision of the State, and
29 certain officers of such subdivisions, every person,
30 association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or
31 collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws
32 imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or
33 other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,
34 every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the

1 Commonwealth," in emergency COVID-19 response, providing for
2 building occupant protection.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known
6 as The Fiscal Code, is amended by adding a section to read:

7 Section 161-C. Building occupant protection.

8 (a) Additional appropriations.--For the 2021-2022 fiscal
9 year, from money that is received by the Commonwealth from the
10 Federal Government for COVID-19 relief or related purposes on or
11 after the effective date of this subsection, the sum of
12 \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Human Services
13 for the purpose of building occupant protection under subsection
14 (b).

15 (b) Use of money.--The amount appropriated under subsection
16 (a) may be used for any of the following purposes:

17 (1) The implementation of best practices regarding
18 indoor air management strategies aimed at reducing the risk
19 of transmission of, and occupant exposure to, COVID-19,
20 including any of the following:

21 (i) Dilution.

22 (ii) Airflow patterns.

23 (iii) Outdoor air ventilation.

24 (iv) Pressurization.

25 (v) Demand-controlled ventilation.

26 (vi) Temperature and humidity distribution and
27 control.

28 (vii) Filtration.

29 (viii) Ultra-violet germicidal irradiation.

30 (ix) Personalized ventilation systems for certain
31 high-risk tasks.

1 (x) Portable, free-standing high-efficiency
2 particulate air filters.

3 (2) The design, installation, operation and maintenance
4 of heating, ventilating and air-conditioning systems,
5 including air-cleaning and local exhaust ventilation systems,
6 to decrease the risk of infection transmission.

7 (3) The development of emergency preparedness plans to
8 mitigate exposure to infectious aerosols and to decrease the
9 risk of infection transmission.

10 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.