THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 642 Session of

INTRODUCED BY PISCIOTTANO, ORTITAY, McANDREW, SAPPEY, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, KULIK, STEELE, McNEILL AND TAKAC, MARCH 21, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAMING OVERSIGHT, MARCH 21, 2023

AN ACT

- Amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 1
- Statutes, in revenues, further providing for transfers from 2
- State Gaming Fund. 3
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 1408(c) of Title 4 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- § 1408. Transfers from State Gaming Fund. 8
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- 10 (c) Local law enforcement grants. -- Except as provided in
- subsection (c.1), annually, the sum of \$2,000,000 shall be 11
- 12 transferred to the board for the purpose of issuing grants to
- local law enforcement agencies to investigate violations of and 13
- 14 enforce laws relating to unlawful gambling in this Commonwealth.
- 15 In addition to any other permissible use, grants under this
- subsection may be used to investigate and enforce violations of 16
- 18 Pa.C.S. §§ 5513 (relating to gambling devices, gambling, 17
- etc.), 5543 (relating to animal fighting) and 5544 (relating to 18

- 1 possession of animal fighting paraphernalia). For purposes of
- 2 this subsection, the term "local law enforcement agency" shall
- 3 include the Pennsylvania State Police when conducting unlawful
- 4 gambling enforcement and prevention activities in a municipality
- 5 which does not have a municipal police department and in which
- 6 the Pennsylvania State Police provide the municipality with
- 7 primary police coverage.
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- 9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.