

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1003 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY MARTIN, MARCH 25, 2024

SENATOR MARTIN, APPROPRIATIONS, RE-REPORTED AS AMENDED, JUNE 24, 2024

AN ACT

1 Making appropriations from the Workmen's Compensation
2 Administration Fund to the Department of Labor and Industry
3 and the Department of Community and Economic Development to
4 provide for the expenses of administering the Workers'
5 Compensation Act, The Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act
6 and the Office of Small Business Advocate for the fiscal year
7 July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, and for the payment of bills
8 incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year
9 ending June 30, 2024.

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

12 Section 1. ~~The sum of \$75,802,000~~ (A) THE SUM OF <--
13 \$87,302,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is
14 appropriated from the Workmen's Compensation Administration Fund
15 to the Department of Labor and Industry for the payment of all
16 salaries, wages and other compensation and travel expenses, for
17 contractual services and other expenses necessary for the
18 administration of the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338),
19 known as the Workers' Compensation Act, and the act of June 21,
20 1939 (P.L.566, No.284), known as The Pennsylvania Occupational
21 Disease Act, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and for

1 the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close
2 of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

3 (B) THE APPROPRIATION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) INCLUDES <--
4 \$11,500,000 FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND OTHER ASSOCIATED
5 COSTS RELATED TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION AUTOMATION AND
6 INTEGRATION SYSTEM MERGER AND THE DT 1.6 - THE DIGITAL
7 TRANSFORMATION PROJECT. THE \$11,500,000 MAY NOT BE EXPENDED FOR
8 ANY OTHER PURPOSE.

9 Section 2. The sum of \$550,000 is appropriated from the
10 restricted revenue account within the Workmen's Compensation
11 Administration Fund to the Office of Small Business Advocate in
12 the Department of Community and Economic Development as provided
13 in the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the
14 Workers' Compensation Act, for the operation of that office for
15 the fiscal year July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

16 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024, or
17 immediately, whichever is later.