



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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THE GOVERNOR

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TO THE HONORABLE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill 278, Printers Number 3930, entitled, as amended, "An act relating to the finances of the State government; providing for the settlement, assessment, collection and recovery of fees and other money or property due or belonging to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, including escheated property and the proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereto and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth, authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every department, board, commission, and officer of the State government, every political subdivision of the State, and certain officers of such subdivisions, every person, association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the Commonwealth, in Treasury Department, further providing for investment of moneys in disposition of abandoned and unclaimed property, further providing for definitions, for property held by financial institutions, for property held by insurers, for property held by utilities, for property held by business associations, for property held by fiduciaries, for property held by courts and public officers and agencies, for miscellaneous property held for or owing to another and for report of property subject to custody and control of the Commonwealth, providing for certificate of finder registration, for revocation of finder registration and for appeals, further providing for examination of records, for proceeding to compel reporting or delivery and for penalties, and providing for relation to Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act; in inquisitorial powers of fiscal officers, further providing for examination and adjustment of public accounts and the collection of amounts due the Commonwealth; in oil and gas wells, providing for legislative findings and further providing for appropriation for the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and for additional transfers; in special funds, further

to Public School Employees' Retirement System, and further providing for distributions from Pennsylvania Race Horse Development Fund; in general budget implementation, further providing for State Civil Service Commission; providing for environmental quality board, for surcharges and for other agencies; providing for rural regional college for underserved counties, for 2014-2015 budget implementation and for 2014-2015 restrictions on appropriations for funds and accounts; and making related repeals," except for the following:

SUBARTICLE B
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

Section 1716-J. Treasury Department.

From funds appropriated for intergovernmental organizations, \$45,000 shall be allocated for payment of dues for fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 to a commission of the Atlantic coastal states that coordinates the conservation and management of near-shore fish species.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

Section 1719-J. Department of Community and Economic Development.

The following shall apply to appropriations for the Department of Community and Economic Development:

(3) From funds appropriated for intergovernmental cooperation authority, \$300,000 to cities of the second class for purposes determined by the board to be necessary to achieve or sustain fiscal recovery.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

Section 1720-J. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

The following shall apply to appropriations from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in the General Appropriation Act:

(1) From funds appropriated for Heritage and other parks, \$500,000 shall be used for the operation and maintenance of the Washington Crossing Historical Park.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

Section 1723-J. Department of Environmental Protection.

The following shall apply to appropriations for the Department of Environmental Protection in the General Appropriation Act:

(2) From funds appropriated for sewage facilities planning grants, up to \$35,600 shall be distributed for reimbursement of costs incurred by a borough in a county of the third class. Up to \$54,600 shall be distributed for reimbursement of costs incurred by a township of the first class in a county of the second class A. Five hundred thousand dollars shall be distributed for upgrades at an existing wastewater pumping station operated by a joint sewer authority serving a third class city in a county of the fifth class.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

(4) From funds appropriated for environmental program management, \$150,000 shall be used for independent research of natural gas drilling.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

Section 1724-J. Department of General Services.

From funds appropriated for rental, relocation and municipal charges, \$2,500,000 shall be transferred to the Senate for distribution upon approval of the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Majority Leader of the Senate and \$2,500,000 shall be transferred to the House of Representatives for distribution upon approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

Section 1727-J. Department of Labor and Industry.

The following shall apply to appropriations for the Department of Labor and Industry in the General Appropriation Act:

(1) From funds appropriated to the department for general government operations, \$250,000 shall be used for the purchase of transportation assistance for job retention, job training and job search activities for displaced, unemployed and disabled individuals and families in counties of the second class.

I withhold my approval from this entire item.

The item vetoes contained in this message are consistent with the item vetoes I have made in HB 2328, Printers Number 3895, an Act known as the "General Appropriation Act of 2014."

I have taken these measured steps to ensure that proposed spending is in line with the estimated available revenue.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tom Corbett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

TOM CORBETT
Governor