No. 155

AN ACT

HB 1244

Authorizing the City of Bethlehem to transfer certain Project 70 lands in Northampton County to the Department of Transportation for a highway project under certain conditions.

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

Section 1. Pursuant to the requirements of subsection (b) of section 20, act of June 22, 1964 (P.L.131, No.8), known as the "Project 70 Land Acquisition and Borrowing Act," the General Assembly authorizes the City of Bethlehem to transfer the hereinafter described land in the City of Bethlehem in Northampton County to the Department of Transportation for right-of-way for construction of Highway Project, L.R. 1045, Section F03, involving new location of Interstate 78.

Such land shall be free of the restrictions on use and alienation prescribed by section 20 of the act of June 22, 1964 (P.L.131, No.8), known as the "Project 70 Land Acquisition and Borrowing Act," upon:

- (1) Payment to the city in an amount equal to the fair market value of the land transferred; or
- (2) At the option of the city, acquisition by the Department of Transportation of suitable replacement land, as approved by the Department of Justice; and
- (3) Execution and filing of a document of transfer and release, citing such payment or acquisition, transfer and release of the said land from the restrictions on use and alienation prescribed by subsection (b) of section 20 of said act.

The document of transfer and release in such cases shall, upon such reimbursement or acquisition, be approved by the Department of Justice and filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the county in which the said land is located. Compliance with this subsection constitutes the express approval of the General Assembly of release of the restrictions on use and alienation of lands acquired by the Department of Transportation required by subsection (b) of section 20 of said act.

Section 2. The land to be transferred by the City of Bethlehem to the Department of Transportation for right-of-way for construction of Highway Project, L.R. 1045, Section F03, to locate Interstate 78 is more particularly described as follows:

Description of Highway Project

Project L.R. 1045, Section F03, beginning at a point in the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, approximately 2,200 feet west of the

intersection of William Street, crossing Saucon Creek and tracks of the Reading Company. Continuing, the line crosses L.R. 530, Traffic Route 412 (Hellertown Road), immediately north of Silvex Road, terminating at a point immediately west of L.R. 48006 (Easton Road), 900 feet northeast of the intersection of L.R. 48006 and L.R. 48097 (Cherry Lane), in the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, a distance of approximately 1.5 miles.

Description of Required Project 70 Land

The Project 70 land required for the above highway comprises approximately 3.29 acres, located approximately as follows:

- (1) Between Stations 339 + 83 and 342 + 00 on the eastbound centerline.
- (2) Between Stations 340 + 25 and 343 + 10 on the westbound centerline.
 - (3) Between Stations 340 + 63 and 342 + 48 on Ramp ZA.
 - (4) Between Stations 340 + 15 and 343 + 25 on Ramp ZB.

The highway right-of-way will have a maximum width of 800 feet, more or less.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 3rd day of July, A. D. 1974.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 155.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

C. DE Larer Tucker