

No. 241

A SUPPLEMENT

HB 1515

To the act of October 18, 1975 (P.L.408, No.112), entitled "An act providing for the capital budget for the fiscal year 1975-1976," itemizing public improvement projects to be constructed by the Department of General Services together with their estimated financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the projects, stating the estimated useful life of the projects, and making an appropriation.

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

Section 1. Itemization and Authorization of Project.— Additional capital projects in the category of a public improvement project to be acquired or constructed by the Department of General Services, its successors or assigns, and to be financed by the incurring of debt, are hereby itemized, together with their respective estimated financial costs and the total additional amount authorized for the public improvement project, as follows:

- I. Department of Military Affairs \$2,869,000
- A. Building improvements to meet veterans' administration and health care standard regulations and other miscellaneous improvements to convert Hollidaysburg State Hospital to Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home.
 - (1) Conversion and Renovation of Admissions Buildings \$1,021,000
(Base Construction Authorization \$829,396 State Share)
 - (2) Conversion and Renovation of Hospital Building 754,000
(Base Construction Authorization \$612,680 State Share)
 - (3) Conversion and Renovation of Continued Care Building 682,000
(Base Construction Authorization \$554,204 State Share)
 - (4) Renovation of Dietary Building 105,000
(Base Construction Authorization \$84,750 State Share)
 - (5) Alterations to Boiler Plant 307,000
(Base Construction Authorization \$249,100)

In addition to the foregoing amounts all moneys received from the Federal Government for the construction of these projects are hereby appropriated for these projects.

Section 2. Allocation of Funds.—Whenever as determined by The General State Authority the full estimated financial cost of the public improvement project itemized in section 1 hereof are not necessary for the proper design, acquisition or construction of the projects, the excess funds

no longer required may be allocated by the Department of General Services to increase the estimated cost of any one or more of the public improvement projects specifically itemized in a capital budget.

Section 3. Debt Authorization; Appropriation.—(a) The Governor, Auditor General and State Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, in addition to any authorization heretofore or hereafter enacted, on the credit of the Commonwealth, subject to the limitations provided in the current capital budget, money not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of \$2,869,000 as may be found necessary to carry out the acquisition and construction of the public improvement project specifically itemized herein.

(b) The net proceeds of the sale of the obligations herein authorized are hereby appropriated from the Capital Facilities Fund to the Department of General Services, in the maximum amount of \$2,869,000 to be used by it exclusively to defray the financial cost of the public improvement projects specifically itemized herein. After reserving or paying the expenses of the sale of the obligation, the State Treasurer shall pay out to the Department of General Services the moneys as required and certified by it to be legally due and payable.

Section 4. Issue of Bonds.—The indebtedness herein authorized shall be incurred from time to time and shall be evidenced by one or more series of general obligation bonds of the Commonwealth in such aggregate principal amount for each series as the Governor, Auditor General and State Treasurer shall determine, but the latest stated maturity date shall not exceed 30 years from the date of the bond first issued for each such series.

Section 5. Estimated Useful Life of Projects.—The General Assembly states the estimated useful life of the public improvement project heretofore itemized is not less than 30 years from the date of completion thereof.

Section 6. Effective Date.—This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 23rd day of November, A. D. 1976.

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