

No. 1978-161

A SUPPLEMENT

SB 1137

To the act of September 28, 1978 (No.151), entitled "An act providing for the capital budget for the fiscal year 1978-1979," itemizing public improvement projects of the Department of General Services, together with their estimated financial cost, authorizing the incurring of debt for the projects without approval of the electors to complete projects in the category of public improvements by acquisition of original furniture and equipment to be acquired by the Department of General Services, stating the estimated useful life of such projects and making an appropriation.

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

Section 1. Short Title.—This supplement shall be known and may be cited as the "Capital Budget Act for Fiscal Year 1978-1979, Public Improvement Project Itemization Supplement - Department of General Services."

Section 2. Itemization and Authorization of Projects.—Additional capital projects in the category of public improvements, consisting of the acquisition of original movable furniture and equipment to complete public improvement projects, to be financed by the incurring of debt, and to be purchased by the Department of General Services, are hereby itemized together with their estimated financial costs:

A. Total Project Authorization . . . . .	\$3,407,500
B. Itemization of Projects:	
I. Department of Commerce . . . . .	\$1,500,000
(1) GSA 1201-1, Convention-Exposition Center, City of Pittsburgh . . . . .	1,500,000
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$1,470,000)	
II. Department of Education . . . . .	\$790,700
Cheyney State College	
(1) Project No. DGS 403-25 Administration Building. . . . .	141,500
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$138,690)	
(2) Project No. DGS 403-32, Recreation Area Improvements . . . . .	65,300
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$64,000)	
East Stroudsburg State College	
(1) DGS 405-40, Fine Arts Building . . . . .	360,300
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$353,249)	

Slippery Rock State College	
(1) Project No. DGS 413-27, Fine Arts Building . . .	197,700
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$193,821)	
Fireman's Training School	
(1) DGS 418-3, Administration Building . . . . .	25,900
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$25,402)	
III. Department of Environmental Resources . . . . .	\$62,500
Bald Eagle State Park	
(1) Project No. DGS 191-35, Beach Facilities . . . . .	16,900
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$16,570)	
Hills Creek State Park	
(1) Project DGS 191-36, Park Improvements . . . . .	3,500
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$3,430)	
Laurel Hill State Park	
(1) Project No. DGS 192-39, Water and Sanitary Facilities . . . . .	9,000
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$8,825)	
Neshaminy State Park	
(1) DGS 194-48, Marina Center Expansion . . . . .	4,500
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$4,400)	
Pymatuning State Park	
(1) Project No. DGS 192-40, Administration-Main- tenance Complex . . . . .	21,700
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$21,265)	
Shawnee State Park	
(1) Project No. DGS 193-32, Sewage Line . . . . .	6,900
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$6,750)	
IV. Historical and Museum Commission . . . . .	\$331,500
Port of History Museum	
(1) DGS 993-2, Orientation Building . . . . .	331,500
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$325,000)	
V. Department of Military Affairs . . . . .	\$534,100
Erie Soldiers and Sailors Home	
(1) Project No. DGS 960-15, New Nursing Wing . .	91,800
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$90,000)	

Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home	
(1) DGS 969-1, Conversion and Renovation of Rush Hall . . . . .	244,800
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$240,000)	
(2) DGS 969-2, Conversion and Renovation of Neal Hall . . . . .	101,100
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$99,150)	
(3) DGS 969-3, Conversion and Renovation of Summer Hall . . . . .	96,400
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$94,500)	
VI. Department of Public Welfare . . . . .	\$188,700
Scranton State General Hospital	
(1) DGS 538-12, Renovation of Hospital . . . . .	188,700
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$185,000)	

Section 3. Debt Authorization.—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 \$3,407,500 as may be found necessary to carry out additional capital projects in the category of public improvements, consisting of the acquisition of original furniture and equipment to complete public improvement projects specifically itemized in a capital budget.

Section 4. Estimated Useful Life of Projects.—The General Assembly states the estimated useful life of all public improvement projects consisting of the acquisition of original furniture and equipment, heretofore itemized in the capital budget for the fiscal year 1978-1979, is not less than ten years from the date of acquisition.

Section 5. Appropriation.—The net proceeds of the sale of obligations herein authorized are hereby appropriated from the Capital Facilities Fund to the Department of General Services in the maximum amount of \$3,407,500 to be used by it exclusively to defray the financial costs of public improvement projects consisting of the acquisition of original furniture and equipment, specifically itemized in this capital budget. After reserving or paying the expenses of the sale of the obligations, 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 6. Lapse of Funds.—Whatsoever of the amount herein appropriated is unexpended or unencumbered three years after the effective date of this act, shall lapse.

Section 7. Federal Funds.—In addition to those funds appropriated in section 5, all moneys received from the Federal Government for the purchase of furniture and equipment for the public improvement projects specifically itemized herein, are also hereby appropriated for those projects.

Section 8. Effective Date.—This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 28th day of September, 1978, except as to the following items:

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I approve this item in the amount of \$1,907,500. I withhold my approval from the remainder of said appropriation and debt authorization because one of the projects in the bill will be eliminated. The project to be eliminated is:

I. Department of Commerce . . . . .	\$1,500,000
(1) GSA 1201-1, Convention-Exposition Center, City of Pittsburgh . . . . .	1,500,000
(Base Furniture and Equipment Authorization \$1,470,000)	

Although the Commonwealth has provided the funds for constructing this convention center for the City of Pittsburgh, it will be a city-financed facility. It has been policy ever since the Commonwealth first began constructing facilities of this type for communities that it would furnish funds for the buildings, but not to provide funds for the furnishing of municipally-operated facilities such as this. To do so at this time would set an undesirable and costly precedent for the Commonwealth.

At present the Commonwealth is constructing similar centers in other areas of the State and if funding is provided to equip the Pittsburgh center, certainly the Commonwealth would also be called upon to supply funds to equip the other centers now under construction as well as those that would be built in the future.

In view of our attempt to hold Capital Bond expenditures at the lowest possible level due to high amortization costs, and because of the poor precedent which would be established, I have withheld my approval from that portion of the appropriation required for this particular project.

MILTON J. SHAPP

We certify that this bill, Senate Bill No. 1137, Printer's No. 2110, having passed both Houses, item-vetoed by the Governor, official notification of which was returned to the Senate where the Senate reconsidered and passed the bill by a two-thirds majority of the members elected to the Senate, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Upon notification by the Senate as to their action, the House of Representatives reconsidered and passed the bill on November 15, 1978 by a two-thirds majority of the members elected to the House of Representatives, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given under our hand and seal this fifteenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight.

**MARTIN L. MURRAY**  
President Pro Tempore, Senate

**MARK GRUELL, JR.**  
Secretary, Senate

**K. LEROY IRVIS**  
Speaker, House of Representatives

**VINCENT F. SCARCELLI**  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives