THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 11, 2019

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the 2 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 5 6 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or 7 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and 9 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 10 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the 12 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive 13 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of 14 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 15 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, 16 and commissions; providing for judicial administration; and 17 18 prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of 19 certain departments, boards and commissions shall be 20 determined," in powers and duties of the Department of 21 22 General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for 23 grounds, buildings and monuments in general and providing for 24 sale of Lieutenant Governor's Mansion; and making a related 25 26 repeal.

- 27 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 28 hereby enacts as follows:
- 29 Section 1. Section 2402(a) and (o) of the act of April 9,

- 1 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of
- 2 1929, are amended to read:
- 3 Section 2402. Grounds, Buildings and Monuments in General. --
- 4 The Department of General Services shall have the power, and its
- 5 duty shall be:
- 6 (a) Subject to the powers by this act vested in the Board of
- 7 Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings, to control and
- 8 supervise the State Capitol Building, and the public grounds and
- 9 buildings connected with the State Capitol, including the State
- 10 Arsenal, any building or buildings that may have been devised or
- 11 may hereafter be devised to the Commonwealth within the City of
- 12 Harrisburg, the Northwest Office Building now occupied by the
- 13 Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, the Pittsburgh State Office
- 14 Building, the Philadelphia State Office Building[,] and the
- 15 Executive Mansion [and the Mansion of the Lieutenant Governor],
- 16 and to make, or supervise the making, of all repairs,
- 17 alterations, and improvements, in and about such grounds and
- 18 buildings, including the furnishing and refurnishing of the
- 19 same, and also to have general supervision over repairs,
- 20 alterations, and improvements to all other buildings, lands, and
- 21 property of the State, except as in this act otherwise provided:
- 22 * * *
- [(o) To maintain, for the use of the Lieutenant Governor,
- 24 the Mansion located on the Edward Martin Military Reservation.]
- 25 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
- Section 2402.3. Sale of Lieutenant Governor's Mansion.--(a)
- 27 Within 12 months of the effective date of this section, the
- 28 <u>Department of General Services is hereby authorized and directed</u>
- 29 on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to sell and convey
- 30 the official residence of the Lieutenant Governor, the

- 1 <u>Lieutenant Governor's Mansion located at Fort Indiantown Gap</u>,
- 2 for fair consideration based on a fair market value as
- 3 <u>determined by an independent appraisal.</u>
- 4 (b) The sale shall be made under and subject to all lawful
- 5 <u>and enforceable easements, servitudes and rights of others,</u>
- 6 <u>including</u>, but not confined to, streets, roadways and rights of
- 7 any telephone, telegraph, water, electric, gas or pipeline
- 8 companies, as well as under and subject to any lawful and
- 9 <u>enforceable estates or tenancies vested in third persons</u>
- 10 appearing of record, for any portion of the land or improvements
- 11 erected thereon.
- 12 (c) The proceeds from the sale shall be deposited in the
- 13 <u>Veterans' Trust Fund to provide assistance to Pennsylvania</u>
- 14 veterans in need of shelter.
- 15 (d) The deed of sale shall be approved as provided by law
- 16 and shall be executed by the Secretary of General Services in
- 17 the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- (e) All other costs and fees, including, but not limited to,
- 19 appraisal fees, title insurance and surveys incidental to this
- 20 conveyance shall be borne by the purchaser.
- 21 (f) The Department of General Services shall maintain the
- 22 Lieutenant Governor's Mansion prior to the sale of the property
- 23 <u>under this section, including making or supervising the making</u>
- 24 of all necessary repairs, alterations and improvements in and
- 25 <u>about the grounds of the Lieutenant Governor's Mansion.</u>
- 26 Section 3. Repeals are as follows:
- 27 (1) The General Assembly declares that the repeal under
- 28 paragraph (2) is necessary to effectuate the amendment or
- addition of sections 2402(a) and (o) and 2402.3 of the act.
- 30 (2) The act of December 19, 1986 (P.L.1743, No.212),

- 1 entitled "An act prohibiting the use of certain buildings for
- 2 political fundraising events; and providing a penalty," is
- 3 repealed insofar as it is inconsistent with the amendment or
- 4 addition of sections 2402(a) and (o) and 2402.3 of the act.
- 5 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 30 days.