THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 36 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY SANKEY, SIMMONS, SIMS, STRUZZI AND RYAN, JANUARY 28, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 28, 2019

AN ACT

1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Amending the act of November 29, 2006 (P.L.1471, No.165), entitled "An act providing for a sexual assault evidence collection program and for powers and duties of the Department of Health and the Pennsylvania State Police; establishing civil immunity; and providing for rights of sexual assault victims," providing for Sexual Assault Kit Processing Fund.
8	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9	hereby enacts as follows:
10	Section 1. The act of November 29, 2006 (P.L.1471, No.165),
11	known as the Sexual Assault Testing and Evidence Collection Act,
12	is amended by adding a section to read:
13	Section 7. Sexual Assault Kit Processing Fund.
14	(a) EstablishmentThe Sexual Assault Kit Processing Fund
15	is established as a restricted account within the State
16	Treasury.
17	(b) Administration of fund
18	(1) Contributions received for the fund shall be
19	<u>distributed by the Pennsylvania State Police as grants to</u>
20	laboratories designated by the department to assist local law

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2 <u>Finance Committee of the House of Representatives detailing the</u>

3 total amount of money distributed from the fund in the prior

4 year to each designated laboratory. The report shall also

- 5 provide any participation by a governmental or nongovernmental
- 6 organization utilized for the fund.
- 7 (g) Definition.--As used in this section, the term "fund"
- 8 shall mean the Sexual Assault Kit Processing Fund established
- 9 <u>under subsection (a).</u>
- 10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.