THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

- Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania 1 Consolidated Statutes, authorizing the Pennsylvania Emergency 2 Management Agency to pay rewards for information leading to 3 the arrest and conviction of certain perpetrators; and establishing the Law Enforcement Line of Duty Death Reward Fund. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Chapter 73 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subchapter to read: 10 11 SUBCHAPTER G 12 LAW ENFORCEMENT LINE OF DUTY DEATH REWARD 13 Sec. 14 7391. Scope of subchapter.
- 15 <u>7392. Definitions.</u>
- 16 <u>7393</u>. Agency authority.
- 17 7394. Law Enforcement Line of Duty Death Reward Fund.
- 18 § 7391. Scope of subchapter.
- 19 This subchapter authorizes the agency to offer and cause to

- 1 be paid rewards for the arrest and conviction of perpetrators of
- 2 an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. § 2507 (relating to criminal
- 3 homicide of law enforcement officer) and establishes a fund from
- 4 which to make reward payments.
- 5 § 7392. Definitions.
- 6 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter
- 7 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 8 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 9 "Fund." The Law Enforcement Line of Duty Death Reward Fund
- 10 established in section 7394 (relating to Law Enforcement Line of
- 11 Duty Death Reward Fund).
- 12 <u>"Law enforcement officer." The term has the same meaning as</u>
- 13 the term "peace officer" as set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 501
- 14 (relating to definitions).
- 15 § 7393. Agency authority.
- The agency is authorized to offer and cause to be paid
- 17 rewards of up to \$50,000 for information leading to the arrest
- 18 and conviction of perpetrators of an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. §
- 19 2507 (relating to criminal homicide of law enforcement officer).
- 20 § 7394. Law Enforcement Line of Duty Death Reward Fund.
- 21 (a) Establishment of fund. -- The Law Enforcement Line of Duty
- 22 Death Reward Fund is established as a special fund in the State
- 23 Treasury.
- 24 (b) Administration. -- The fund shall be administered by the
- 25 agency. The agency shall use moneys in the fund solely for the
- 26 purpose of section 7393 (relating to agency authority).
- 27 <u>(c) Fund sources.--The sources of the fund are as follows:</u>
- 28 (1) Moneys transferred under subsection (d).
- 29 (2) Contributions and donations to the fund.
- 30 (d) Annual interfund transfers. -- Commencing with fiscal year

- 1 2012-2013 and continuing annually thereafter, the sum of
- 2 \$750,000 shall be transferred from the State Gaming Fund to the
- 3 <u>Law Enforcement Line of Duty Death Reward Fund.</u>
- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.