

No. 234

AN ACT

SB 1568

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L. 343, No. 176), entitled "An act relating to the finances of the State government; providing for the settlement, assessment, collection, and lien of taxes, bonus, and all other accounts due the Commonwealth, the collection and recovery of fees and other money or property due or belonging to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, including escheated property and the proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth and imposing penalties; affecting every department, board, commission, and officer of the State government, every political subdivision of the State, and certain officers of such subdivisions, every person, association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the Commonwealth," further providing for payments by check.

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

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 1503, act of April 9, 1929 (P.L. 343, No. 176), known as "The Fiscal Code," amended June 6, 1939 (P.L. 261, No. 145), is amended to read:

Section 1503. Payments.—* * *

(c) All checks *except those for payment of unemployment compensation and public assistance* shall have imprinted upon their face a statement that they will not be honored unless presented within [sixty days] *six months* from their date [, but upon]. *All checks for payment of unemployment compensation and public assistance shall have imprinted upon their face a statement that they will not be honored unless presented within thirty days from their date. Upon* the surrender of any [such] check which would have become void because of the failure of the holder to present it for payment within [sixty days,] *the period for presentation imprinted upon its face*, the Treasury Department shall issue a new check to the payee or payees named in such check in the amount thereof *or validate the original check for an additional period equal to that specified on the original check.*

The Treasury Department may, if satisfied that a check has been lost or destroyed, and after stopping payment thereof, issue a duplicate.

Section 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the second month following its final enactment.

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

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