

No. 572

AN ACT

To amend section one thousand five hundred four of the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred forty-three), 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," by making further provision relating to advances out of appropriations.

Section 1504, act
of April 9, 1929
(P. L. 343),
amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one thousand five hundred four of the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred forty-three), 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 li-

cense fees or other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the Commonwealth," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1504. Advances Out of Appropriations.—Whenever an appropriation shall have been made to any department, board, or commission of the State government, or to the board of trustees or other agency in charge of any semi-State institution, which is intended for expenses of such a nature as to make it impracticable for such department, board, commission, board of trustees, or agency, to file with the Department of the Auditor General itemized receipts or vouchers prior to the payment of such expenses, upon requisition and warrant in the usual way, such department, board, commission, board of trustees, or other agency, may make requisition upon the Auditor General, from time to time, for such sum or sums of the appropriation as may be necessary to meet such expenses, and the Auditor General [after submission of such requisition to and approval thereof by the Governor] shall draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer for such sum or sums, to be paid out of the appropriation. [as in the discretion of the Governor may be necessary, but the advancement shall never] *The total amount of requisitions for advancements from any appropriation less the total amount of properly itemized receipts or vouchers filed with the Auditor General accounting for such advancements shall never exceed an amount approved by the Governor nor shall it in any case exceed the amount of the bond of the officer or individual having control of the disbursements from the funds advanced.*

Requisitions for advances hereunder to any departmental administrative board or commission, must be approved by the department with which such board or commission is connected prior to the presentation thereof to the Auditor General.

Any department, board, commission, board of trustees, or agency, having received an advance hereunder shall,

(1) Whenever required by the Auditor General, file specifically itemized vouchers, in such form as may be prescribed by him, accounting for all money expended out of such advance;

(2) At the end of the appropriation period, return to the State Treasury all unexpended balances of such advance, before any advance shall be made out of any succeeding appropriation;

(3) Deposit all moneys advanced, in the name of the Commonwealth, in a State depository, and certify the name thereof to the State Treasurer.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

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