

## No. 173

## AN ACT

## HB 2356

Amending the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1132, No.484), entitled "An act providing for the creation, establishment and operation of community colleges, granting certain powers to the State Board of Education, the Council of Higher Education and the Department of Public Instruction; authorizing school districts, county boards of school directors and municipalities to sponsor community colleges; authorizing school districts and municipalities to levy certain taxes; providing for reimbursements by the Commonwealth of certain costs and expenses, and making an appropriation," further providing for payments by the Commonwealth to community colleges on account of their operating costs and making appropriations.

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

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 14, act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1132, No.484), known as the "Community College Act of 1963," amended March 27, 1972 (P.L.148, No.55), is amended to read:

Section 14. Financial Program; Reimbursement or Payments.—

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(b) The Commonwealth shall pay to a community college on behalf of the sponsor on account of its operating costs during **[an academic] the fiscal year** from funds appropriated for that purpose an amount equal to one-third of such college's approved operating costs not to exceed **[one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200)] one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500)** per student multiplied by the number of equivalent-full-time students determined by an audit to be made in a manner prescribed by the State Board of Education. In addition the Commonwealth shall pay to a community college on account of its operating costs **[during a summer term from funds appropriated for that purpose an amount equal to one-third of such college's approved operating costs not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600) per student multiplied by the number of equivalent full-time students.] for all equivalent full-time students enrolled in two-year or less than two-year terminal non-liberal arts programs, a sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) for each such equivalent full-time student. The Secretary of Education shall have the power and his duty shall be to designate the programs of study which conform to the intent of this act.** Each community college shall maintain such accounting and student attendance records on generally accepted principles and standards as will lend themselves to satisfactory audit. The Commonwealth shall pay to a community college on behalf of the sponsor on account of its capital expenses an amount equal to one-half of such college's annual capital expenses from funds appropriated for that purpose to the extent that said capital expenses have been approved as herein provided.

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Section 2. (a) The following sums are hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974 and ending June 30, 1975 for the purposes indicated:

(1) For payment of approved operating expenses of community colleges and technical institutes ..... \$25,381,000

(2) For payment of approved capital expenses of community colleges and technical institutes ..... 10,870,000

(b) (1) The moneys provided by this act are appropriated from the General Fund, for the purposes stated, including, whenever applicable, the payment of salaries, wages or other compensation and travel expenses of the proper officers or employes of the Commonwealth, the payment of fees for contractual services rendered, the purchase or rental of goods, services, printing, equipment, land and buildings and any other lawful expenses necessary for the proper conduct of the duties, functions and activities of the Commonwealth agency connected with the purposes of this appropriation act for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974, and for the payment of similar bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974.

(2) This act is not intended to be inconsistent with or to repeal any provision of any act enacted at this or any prior session of the General Assembly regulating the purchase of supplies, the ordering of printing and binding, the purchase, maintenance and use of automobiles, the method of making payments from the State Treasury for any purpose or the functioning of any administrative department, board or commission.

(3) No appropriation made by this act to any department, board, commission or agency of the Executive Department shall be available unless and until such department, board, commission or agency shall have complied with sections 604, 605 and 606 of The Administrative Code of 1929.

(4) Whenever used in this act the terms "officers" or "employes" of the Commonwealth shall include every person receiving payment from the Commonwealth for personal services rendered to any department or agency of the Commonwealth.

(5) Whenever used in this act, the terms "expenses" or "maintenance" shall include all fees or charges for contractual services rendered, the costs of postage, insurance, printing, food, utilities, advertising, traveling expenses, and workmen's compensation, the purchase or rental of goods, services, equipment, supplies, materials, machinery, land and buildings, the costs of repairs or reconstruction of equipment, buildings and facilities, and all other incidental costs, including where applicable, payment to the Department of Property and Supplies of mileage charges for the use of automobiles and of expenses or costs incurred through the Purchasing Fund, and including medical costs for the treatment of inmates of State institutions when

transferred by necessity to an outside hospital not to exceed patient care costs provided under the State medical assistance program.

(6) Purchase of supplies, materials and equipment shall not be deemed to be committed or encumbered until contracts covering said purchases have been entered into with the vendors.

(7) That part of all appropriations in this act unexpended, uncommitted and unencumbered as of June 30, 1975 shall automatically lapse as of that date.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1974.

APPROVED—The 18th day of July, A. D. 1974.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 173.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. McLaughlin Tucker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*