No. 12

AN ACT

SB 851

Amending the act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304, No.315), entitled, as amended, "An act to improve local health administration throughout the Commonwealth by authorizing the creation, establishment and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health in all counties; exempting certain municipalities from the jurisdiction of single-county or joint-county departments of health; permitting the dissolution of departments or boards of health in certain municipalities; authorizing State grants to counties which establish departments; conferring powers and duties upon the State Department of Health in connection with the creation, establishment and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health, and the administration of State grants; and repealing an act which confers health powers upon counties of the first class," providing for State grants to county departments of health and certain municipalities for environmental health services.

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

Section 1. Section 25, act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304, No.315), known as the "Local Health Administration Law," is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Section 25. State Grants to County Departments of Health and to Certain Municipalities.—***

(d) Environmental Health Services.—The Commonwealth shall pay an additional annual grant of not more than seventy-five cents (75c) per capita resident to each county department of health or department or board of health of a municipality eligible for grants under this act for environmental health services provided by the county or municipality.

As used in this subsection "environmental health services" means services such as but not limited to air and noise pollution control, restaurant and wholesale food inspection, rodent and vector control, water and sewage inspection, housing code enforcement and other similar services in addition to other local health grants for public health services.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of February, A. D. 1976.

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