

No. 1978-118

## AN ACT

HB 664

Amending the act of January 22, 1968 (P.L.42, No.8), entitled, "An act empowering and authorizing the Department of Community Affairs to establish and administer certain grant programs for the betterment of mass transportation systems and facilities throughout the Commonwealth; providing for State grants to transportation companies, municipalities, counties, or their instrumentalities and to agencies and instrumentalities of the Commonwealth for studies, research, demonstration programs, promotion programs, purchase of service projects, and capital improvement projects under certain conditions; authorizing grants by counties or municipalities in metropolitan areas to local transportation organizations," providing for a definition of public highway.

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

Section 1. Section 3, act of January 22, 1968 (P.L.42, No.8), known as the "Pennsylvania Urban Mass Transportation Assistance Law of 1967," is amended by adding a clause to read:

Section 3. Definitions.—The following terms, whenever used or referred to in this act, shall have the following meanings, except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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***(6.1) "Public highway" shall mean every way or place, of whatever nature, open to the use of the public as a matter of right, for purposes of vehicular travel. The term "public highway" solely for the purpose of administering this act shall not be deemed to include a bridge located wholly within this Commonwealth which is open to the use of the public for the purpose of vehicular traffic but which on March 15, 1964 is owned and maintained by a mass transportation or port authority and which comprises a part of the transportation system of the mass transportation or port authority.***

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be retroactive to January 22, 1968.

APPROVED—The 1st day of July, A. D. 1978.

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