No. 2000-135

## AN ACT

## HB 777

Amending the act of May 22, 2000 (P.L.104, No.22), entitled "An act providing for the capital budget for the fiscal year 2000-2001, itemizing public improvement projects, furniture and equipment projects, transportation assistance projects, redevelopment assistance projects, flood control projects, Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation projects, Environmental Stewardship Fund projects and public highway projects to be constructed or acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services, the Department of Community and Economic Development, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission and the Department of Transportation, together with their estimated financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed or acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services, the Department of Community and Economic Development, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection or the Department of Transportation; stating the estimated useful life of the projects; making appropriations; and making repeals," providing for a compliance option.

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

Section 1. The act of May 22, 2000 (P.L.104, No.22), known as the Capital Budget Debt Authorization and Project Itemization Act of 2000-2001, is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 25.1. Compliance option.

Notwithstanding the provisions of 62 Pa.C.S § 322(6) (relating to specific construction powers, duties and procedures), as to the project authorized in section 14(a)(2)(i)(A) for the Commonwealth mail processing and legislative services facility, the Department of General Services may comply with the provisions of the act of May 1, 1913 (P.L.155, No.104), entitled "An act regulating the letting of certain contracts for the erection, construction, and alteration of public buildings," by entering into a design/build contract which requires that the design/build contractor comply with the requirements of the act of May 1, 1913 (P.L.155, No.104), entitled "An act regulating the letting of certain contracts for the erection, construction, and alteration of public buildings."

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 20th day of December, A.D. 2000.

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