No. 2002-37

AN ACT

HB 2048

Amending the act of June 25, 1999 (P.L.205, No.27), entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to East Allen Township, Northampton County, certain land situate in East Allen Township, Northampton County, and to convey to the trustees of the University of Pittsburgh certain land situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County; authorizing and directing the State Armory Board of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to the Historical and Genealogical Society of Indiana County a tract of land situate in the Borough of Indiana, County of Indiana, Pennsylvania; authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor and Department of Transportation, to sell and convey to the Borough of Hollidaysburg certain land situate in the Borough of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey a tract of land in the Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County, to the Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority in exchange for another tract of land in the Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County, to grant and convey to Snyder County certain lands situate in Penn Township," further providing for reversion of property.

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

Section 1. Section 1(d) of the act of June 25, 1999 (P.L.205, No.27), entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to East Allen Township, Northampton County, certain land situate in East Allen Township, Northampton County, and to convey to the trustees of the University of Pittsburgh certain land situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County; authorizing and directing the State Armory Board of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to the Historical and Genealogical Society of Indiana County a tract of land situate in the Borough of Indiana, County of Indiana, Pennsylvania; authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor and Department of Transportation, to sell and convey to the Borough of Hollidaysburg certain land situate in the Borough of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey a tract of land in the Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County, to the Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority in exchange for another tract of land in the Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County; and authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Snyder County certain lands situate in Penn Township," is amended to read:

Section 1. East Allen Township, Northampton County.

(d) Execution.—The deed of conveyance shall be approved as provided by law and shall be executed by the Secretary of General Services in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Within [two] four years of this conveyance, East Allen Township shall have the right of declaring in writing in the form of notice sent to the Department of General Services, Bureau of Real Estate, 505 North Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17125, a reversion of the property to the Department of General Services in the event that East Allen Township determines that there are environmental problems not originating during East Allen Township ownership for which it chooses not to undertake abatement and/or remediation of those problems. In the event the property reverts to Commonwealth of Pennsylvania within [two] four years of this conveyance:

(1) East Allen Township shall assume financial responsibility for any costs of restoring the Premises to the condition it was in at the time of this transfer[,] if the Premises are damaged as a result of East Allen Township's use thereof, ordinary wear and tear excluded. Costs shall include, but not be limited to, remediation of environmental contamination, if any, resulting from East Allen Township's use thereof; and

(2) the Department of General Services will not be responsible for any fees that were nullified by the dedication of land in lieu of payment as set forth in Section 1007 of East Allen Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance; and

(3) at the discretion of the Secretary of General Services, the property shall be offered for sale through auction, sealed bid or request for proposal, under terms of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, and conditions in section 2405-A of the Administrative Code of 1929 authorizing the conveyance of the herein noted property to East Allen Township shall automatically cease and become null and void.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED-The 23rd day of April, A.D. 2002.

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