

BILL ANALYSIS -- FISCAL CODE

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Brief Summary

HB 2536 amends the Fiscal Code with substantive language implementing the Supplemental General Appropriation Act of 2020, and it makes other amendments to the Fiscal Code.

Analysis of the Bill

THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS CHANGE, ADD, OR REPEAL PERMANENT SECTIONS OF THE FISCAL CODE:

Unexpended CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds

Section 111-C requires CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) that are unexpended as of December 1, 2020 to be returned to the COVID-19 Response Restricted Account, including, but not limited to, amounts appropriated to the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, the Department of Community and Economic Development, and to counties. Unspent amounts shall be returned by December 15, 2020.

The unused portion will then be transferred to the Department of Corrections to meet payroll expenses for public safety and health care employees substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Two exceptions apply to this provision. First, unspent CRF money appropriated for long-term living programs for the purpose of funding the Regional Response Health Collaboration will not be transferred to the Department of Corrections until December 30, 2020. Additionally, any CRF money appropriated by the General Assembly in the Supplement to the General Appropriations Act of 2020 (the November budget bill) are not subject to the transfer provisions.

The state treasurer will notify the Appropriations chairs of the House and Senate of the amounts that will be transferred to the department at both points in time.

Current law enacted by the General Assembly in May that would have directed unspent CRF dollars to counties as block grants is repealed.

Emergency Tax Anticipation Notes for Local Governments (Underlying Bill)

Section 193-C authorizes local government units to issue tax anticipation notes that mature after the end of the fiscal year because of changes to tax filing deadlines as part of the COVID-19 response. TANs issued under this section can have maturity dates no later than the last day of the fiscal year in 2022.

Local Services Tax

Section 1605-D.1 stipulates that the local services tax for Harrisburg may continue at a rate of \$156 for the next 10 years, followed by a maximum of \$104 for the next five years, and finally returning to the limit of \$52. The city may not levy an earned income tax on nonresidents. This section also allows the city of Harrisburg to be eligible for a determination to terminate distressed status under the Municipalities Financial Recovery Act.



Rainy Day Fund Transfer

Section 1703-A directs that \$100 million from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund will be transferred to the General Fund and be available for appropriation no later than November 30, 2020.

Redeployment of COVID-19 Response Transfers to the General Fund

Section 1735.1-A.1 requires \$50 million in special fund transfers to the General Fund. Act 10 of 2020 initially authorized the governor to make the transfers from special funds under his jurisdiction to a restricted account to pay for medical equipment and supplies to help health care entities meet surge demand in the early days of the pandemic. These costs were later reimbursed by the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund, and monies returned to their respective special funds, but agencies were prohibited by law from spending it without a specific appropriation by the General Assembly. The bill requires these funds now to be transferred to the General Fund within ten days of the effective date.

Transfers under this section are not enumerated in the bill, but include:

- Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Fund - \$4 million
- Volunteer Company Loan Fund - \$6 million
- Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund - \$30 million
- Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchase Fund - \$5 million
- Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank - \$5 million

For more information on other transfers under this bill, please see the table in the Fund Transfers section near the end of this document.

Workers' Compensation Security Fund Transfer

Section 1737-A.1 requires the transfer from the Workers' Compensation Security Fund (WCSF) to the General Fund to be repaid back to the WCSF by July 1, 2028. The transfer is effectuated later in the bill, in Section 1726-M(d).

Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone

Section 1719-E allows a political subdivision in a township of the second class located in a county of the second-class A to apply to become a designated Keystone Opportunity Improvement Zone, if the Governor previously designated the property as a proposed improvement subzone.

Regional ATV Pilot Program

Section 1720-E requires DCNR to establish a Regional ATV Pilot Program for department lands. (new)
As part of the pilot program:

- By December 31, 2020 DCNR shall:
 - evaluate department forest districts for roads/trails to serve as potential connectors and provide access to the trail complex for use
 - Perform an assessment regarding charging fees for accessing the ATV pilot area
- Beginning January 2021 DCNR shall:
 - Consult local community leaders to assess interest in/feasibility of department ATV pilot area
 - Perform outreach to affected communities
 - Map/Mark/Designate roads/trails in the ATV pilot area for permitted usage



- DCNR shall provide access to the ATV pilot area for the 2021 Summer ATV riding season
 - Friday before Memorial Day through last full weekend in September
- To access the department ATV pilot program, a person must have valid Snowmobile/ATV valid registration under Pa. C.S. 75 Section 7711.1 and obtain a tag.
- Tag fees shall be determined by DCNR and fee collections shall be deposited into restricted account, which funds ATV activities and enforcement/maintenance on DCNR lands.

DEP Bituminous Mine Subsidence & Land Conservation Act Report

Section 1723-E prohibits the Department of Environmental Protection, starting in 2020/21, from authorizing grants or other payments/reimbursements that exceed \$280,000 to complete the analysis required for the report. The allowable amount shall be adjusted for inflation thereafter. The prohibition applies to moneys collected from fees/penalties, appropriated funds or federal revenues. (new)

Under the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act (Act 31 of 1966), the department shall provide a report to the General Assembly every five years based on an analysis of the data collected from deep mining permits.

Restrictions on Flags and Signs Displayed in the Capitol Complex

Section 1724-E requires the Department of General Services (DGS) to ensure that no flag, other than the United States flag, the Pennsylvania flag, or a flag authorized by the Act 49 of 1970, shall be flown over the Pennsylvania State Capitol or on the capitol grounds. (new)

Furthermore, DGS shall ensure that no banners/posters/signage, except for informational material to aid navigation of the facilities, or health and safety signage, shall be displayed on the outside of the Pennsylvania State Capitol Building (including alcoves, balconies and windows). (new)

Gaming Temporary Regulations Extension

Section 1724.1-E extends temporary regulations for gaming from two years to three years. This applies to temporary regulations for table games, internet gaming, sports betting, simulcasting and video gaming at truck stops.

Medical Marijuana Program Dispensary Permit

Section 1725-E requires the Department of Health to issue a medical marijuana dispensary permit to the next most qualified applicant in the same region according to the initial application phase in the event a dispensary surrenders, has revoked, or forfeits their permit. This does not apply to clinical registrants permits.

Solar Power Generation Facilities and DMVA

Section 1728-E changes the definition of “customer-generator” under the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act to include any distributed generation solar energy facilities owned by, operated by, or providing service to the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. (new)



Electronic Visit Reports to DHS

Section 1729-E requires providers of in-home personal care services or home health care services to use an electronic visit verification (EVV) system to electronically report to the department or its authorized contractor each visit conducted as part of the services. The department or its contractor may use this information to validate or deny claims submitted under the medical assistance program. Federal payment under Medicaid will be reduced for states that do not require the use of an EVV system.

Military Installation Remediation Program

Section 1730-E allows a qualified authority for a military installation remediation project created under the Transit Revitalization Investment District Act (Act 238 of 2004) to receive access to tax records related to the municipality in which it lies within. The records can be used solely to document the required certification of eligible taxes under the act. The qualified authority and local taxing authorities shall have access to the report and certification filed under the act. (new)

Legislative Reference Bureau - Revenue from Document Publications

Section 1763-E allows the Legislative Reference Bureau to enter into contracts to publish advance copies of statutes, volumes of the Laws of Pennsylvania and other documents. Money from these sales will be deposited into the General Fund, and is appropriated to LRB to pay for the publication and dissemination of these laws and documents. Contingent expenses related to LRB will be paid by the treasurer upon requisition of the director, who shall keep an accounting of these expenses and documentation in the office.

AEPS Tier II Expansion

Section 1799.10-E would require that to be eligible for Tier II credits under Pennsylvania's Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act, a facility must be located in Pennsylvania or directly interconnected to one of Pennsylvania's electric distribution companies, municipal electric companies, or electric cooperatives. Tier II resources include things like large-scale hydroelectric power and waste coal. (new)

THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS RELATE TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OF 2020:

The interim budget implementation from Act 1A of 2020, enacted in May 2020, is repealed.

Section 1702-L includes certain definitions, including defining TANFBG as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant.

Section 1703-L specifies that throughout the General Appropriation Act of 2020 any reference to the Department of Criminal Justice shall be deemed a reference to either the Department of Corrections or the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole. This language is necessary because the proposed merger of the two departments has still not been codified even though many department functions have been combined and some appropriations language is written as if the departments have been fully merged.



Revenue Estimates

Section 1711-L permits the Department of Revenue and the Secretary of the Budget to revise the 2020/21 revenue estimate. The estimate must show state, federal and other funds separately. The governor must veto any part of the General Appropriations Act necessary to ensure that the budget remains in balance within the revenue estimate. The estimate cannot be further revised after the Supplement to the General Appropriations Act is signed.

Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Section 1712-L makes several allocations from appropriations made to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Subsection 1 specifies that funds appropriated for intermediate punishment treatment programs shall be distributed competitively to counties. It further specifies that at least 80% will be used for drug and alcohol and mental health treatment programs.

Subsection 2 requires that of funds appropriated to PCCD, no less than the amounts used in 2014/15 shall be spent on the Statewide Automated Victim Information and Notification System (SAVIN) and for a residential treatment facility for at-risk youth in a county of the fifth class. It also requires that \$400,000 be spent each on an innovative police data sharing system and on a diversion program for first-time nonviolent offenders.

Subsection 3 stipulates that of funds appropriated for violence and delinquency prevention program, no less than the amounts used in 2014/15 shall be used for programs in a city of the second class, and for blueprint mentoring programs addressing youth violence in cities of the first, second, and third class. Programs in cities of the second and third class will receive a proportional share of \$50,000.

Auditor General

Section 1715-L mandates that from funds appropriated for special financial audits, \$500,000 must be used to audit entities that receive funds from the Department of Human Services through its appropriations for:

Medical Assistance – Capitation
Medical Assistance – Community HealthChoices
Medical Assistance – Long-term Care
Mental Health Services
Intellectual Disabilities – Community Waiver Program

(existing)

Department of Agriculture

Section 1718-L directs that:

- Money appropriated for general government operations, funds shall be transferred to the Dog Law Restricted Account at no less than 2014/15 spending levels
- From money appropriated for general government operations, \$250,000 for Commission of Agricultural Education Excellence to assist development and implementation of agricultural education programming



- From funds appropriated for agricultural research:
 - \$300,000 for an agricultural resource center
 - \$100,000 for agricultural law research programs in conjunction with a land grant university
- From money appropriated for agricultural promotion, education and exports, \$250,000 for expansion of hemp farming, including program development, outreach and education
- From money appropriated for hardwoods research and promotion, at least 80 percent will be equally distributed among hardwood utilization groups
- Up to \$165,000 from the Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchase Fund to fund succession planning grants; individual grants cannot exceed \$5,000 (same language, new grant amt)

Department of Community and Economic Development

Under Section 1719-L, for funds appropriated for general government operations, no less than \$800,000 can be used to support a manufacturing technology development effort and to assist PA small business with enhances cyber security in a county of the fourth class with a population of at least 143,679, but no more than 144,200. (modified)

For money appropriated for marketing to attract tourism, \$4.067 million is dedicated to fund the activities of DCED’s tourism office. \$500,000 is dedicated to a statewide Special Olympics competition held in a county of the fourth class. Remaining funds are allocated for arts and cultural activities that generate statewide and regional economic impact. (modified)

DCED is instructed to distribute \$6.357 million in Keystone Communities funding to the Main Street, Elm Street, Enterprise Zone, and accessible housing programs in the same proportion as fiscal year 2012/13. The remaining funds shall be used for projects supporting economic growth community development and municipal assistance throughout the Commonwealth. (modified)

Funds appropriated for local municipal emergency relief shall provide assistance to persons or political subdivisions directly affected by disasters or public safety emergencies that do not qualify for federal assistance. Grants will be available for reimbursement when an area is not covered under the Presidential disaster declaration or DCED determines a public safety emergency has occurred. (existing)

Furthermore, 3% of the funding allocated from the Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program for Non-Urban Counties and Certain Other Municipalities can be used for administrative costs. (existing)

For funding appropriated for Pennsylvania First, no less than \$8 million shall be used to fund the Workforce and Economic Development Network of Pennsylvania (WEDnetPA). (new)

Department of Corrections

Section 1721-L requires that, of funds appropriated for the general operations of the Department of Criminal Justice, no less than \$1.75 million shall be used for non-narcotic medication assisted substance use disorder treatment. (existing)

Establishes a new definition of “eligible offender” to be any individual committed to the custody of the county who meets the clinical criteria for an opioid and or alcohol use disorder as determined by a physician.



Department of Education

Section 1722-L directs a portion of the allocation for adult and family literacy programs to go to after-school learning programs servicing low-income students located in a county of the sixth class and a county of the third class. (existing)

Section 1722-L maintains the 2019/20 per-student grant award for Pre-K Counts (was a 2.95 percent increase over 2018/19). (existing)

Section 1722-L stipulates that the balance of the funds appropriated for PA Charter Schools for the Deaf and Blind after all tuition costs have been paid shall be distributed pro rata based on increased pension costs. Additionally, the four schools will equally share in deferred maintenance and capital-related funding. (existing)

Section 1722-L provides for an allocation to approved private schools from funds set aside for extraordinary special education expenses. It also ensures an allocation equal to the 2015/16 amount for a certain approved private school. (existing)

The bill provides for the distribution of funds for regional community college services and community education councils in the same amounts as 2019/20. (existing)

Section 1722-L prohibits charter schools, regional charter schools, or cyber charter schools from receiving funds appropriated for PSERS or Social Security and Medicare contributions. (existing)

Section 1722-L clarifies that \$37.6 million of the \$63.1 million 2020/21 increase in basic education funding is to pay for prior year shortfalls in school employee social security payments. It is understood that the remaining 2020/21 increase (\$25.5 million) in basic education funding is to cover expected growth in school employee social security costs for 2020/21.

Department of General Services

Section 1724-L requires money appropriated for capitol fire protection shall be used by the City of Harrisburg to support the provisions of fire services to the Capitol complex. (existing)

Department of Health

Section 1725-L includes a number of provisions regarding the implementation of the department's 2020/21 appropriations.

From funds appropriated for general government operations, sufficient funds are included for the coordination of donated dental services. Direction related to funding for Charcot-Marie Tooth syndrome has been removed. (existing)

From funds appropriated for diabetes programs, \$100,000 is to be used for Type I diabetes awareness, education, and outreach. (existing)

From funds appropriated for adult cystic fibrosis and other chronic respiratory diseases, no less than the amount provided in 2014/15 is to be used for a program promoting cystic fibrosis research in Allegheny County and research related to childhood cystic fibrosis in Philadelphia. (existing)

From funds appropriated for Lyme disease, \$500,000 is to be used for costs related to free tick testing for residents performed in conjunction with a PASSHE school. (existing)



Funds appropriated for lupus programs are to be distributed in the same proportion as 2018/19. (existing)

Biotechnology research includes allocations for regenerative medicine research, regenerative medicine medical technology, hepatitis and viral research, drug research and clinical trials related to cancer, pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis, genetic and molecular disease research, nanotechnology, and the commercialization of applied research. (existing)

From funds appropriated for leukemia and lymphoma, \$200,000 is to be allocated entirely to a branch of an eastern Pennsylvania chapter of a nonprofit organization whose mission aligns with the issue. (existing)

Funds appropriated for hemophilia, sickle cell anemia, Cooley's anemia, and children with special needs are to be distributed in the same proportion as in 2019/20. The language in May included adult cystic fibrosis programs, but the current bill does not. (new in May)

Department of Labor and Industry

Section 1727-L allocates funds from Industry Partnerships for a workforce development program for veterans in Delaware County in the same amount as 2014/15. (existing)

Department of Human Services

Section 1729-L contains provisions related to the implementation of the department's 2020/21 budget.

The section includes the following provisions for Medical Assistance (MA):

- Community Access Fund payments to hospitals shall be distributed using the 2014/15 formula -- if total funding is less than 2014/15, payments shall be made on a pro rata basis. (existing)
- Money appropriated for fee-for-services used for Select Plan for Women's Preventive Health Services shall be used for women's medical services, including noninvasive contraception supplies. (existing)
- Mandates separate MA fee-for-service payments to hospitals for healthy newborn care and a mother's obstetrical delivery. (existing)
- From the Medical Assistance fee-for-service appropriation, funding is maintained at the 2019/20 levels to seven entities as specified in the bill. (existing)
- From the Medical Assistance capitation appropriation, no less than the amount used in 2014/15 amount shall be used for the prevention and treatment of depression in older Pennsylvanians in a second class county. (existing)
- From the Medical Assistance long-term care appropriation, funding is maintained at the 2019/20 levels with the exception of removing \$850,000 for a special rehab facility from a 3rd Class City and adding \$351,000 for a special rehab from a 1st Class County. (changed)
- Qualifying physician practice plans funding is maintained at the 2019/20 levels. (existing)
- Qualifying academic medical centers funding is maintained at the 2019/20 levels. (existing)
- Funds appropriated for trauma center payments that are not used for payments to level III trauma centers shall be used for payments to hospitals qualifying as Level I or II trauma centers. (existing)
- Funds allocated for Medical Assistance transportation shall be the payment of last resort. (existing)



- Provides \$16 million for Medical Assistance day-one incentive payments to qualified public nursing facilities. (new for fiscal code in May, existing in human services code)
- Allows for the department to adjust – with federal approval – premiums for the Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities (MAWD) program. (existing)

Subsection 1 requires that from funds appropriated for mental health services (or federal funds) \$580,000 must be utilized to maintain an existing web portal that provides comprehensive referral services for mental health or substance abuse issues and to expand that portal to include resources targeting military veterans and their families. Subsection 2 requires that from funds appropriated for mental health services, \$100,000 shall be used to expand services at a pediatric mental health hospital and an adolescent residential treatment program in a county of the third class. (existing)

Subsection 4 stipulates that funds appropriated for breast cancer screening may be used for women’s medical services that include noninvasive contraceptives. (existing)

Subsection 5 states that funds appropriated for women’s service programs grants to nonprofit agencies which promote childbirth and alternatives to abortion shall be expended to provide services until childbirth and for up to 12 months thereafter. It also specifies that TANF Block Grant funds for Alternatives to Abortion shall be utilized for services to women with incomes below 185% of the federal poverty line. (existing)

Subsection 6 outlines, that from autism intervention, funding is maintained at the 2019/20 amounts to six entities as specified in the bill. (existing)

Subsection 7 specifies that funds appropriated to community-based family centers may not be considered as part of the base calculation for the county child welfare needs-based budget. (existing)

Subsection 8 requires that from funds appropriated for 2-1-1 communications, \$750,000 shall be allocated for a statewide 2-1-1 system grant program. (existing)

Subsection 9 mandates that from funds appropriated for blind and visual services, \$2.584 million shall be allocated to a statewide professional services provider association and \$518,000 to provide specialized services for the blind in Philadelphia. (existing)

Subsection 11 applies federal rules on benefit eligibility for illegal aliens to payments and providers. (existing)

Subsection 12 requires DHS to offer 2020/21 grants to each 2019/20 PA WorkWear grantee under substantially similar terms as previous grants. (new in May)

Department of Transportation

Section 1732-L directs \$1.9 million from funds appropriated for infrastructure projects for capital equipment costs for rural transit service. (old language)

Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency

Section 1735-L directs appropriations for search and rescue programs shall support training service dogs for rescue and public safety. (existing)



In addition, money appropriated for the State Fire Commissioner includes funding that will be used to:

Fund a statewide recruitment and retention coordinator,
Fund regional technical advisors to help implement recruitment and retention training programs
Provide technical assistance to local fire organizations and local governments

(existing)

Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

Section 1738-L requires PHEAA to allocate the same amount for the Cheyney Keystone Academy from the Higher Education Assistance Fund as it did in 2019/20 (\$500,000). From the State Grant program's appropriation, the same amount as 2019/20 will be allocated to Mansfield University for merit scholarships (\$1 million). (existing)

PENNVEST

Section 1740-L directs PENNVEST to use \$3.97 million to fund grants for infrastructure for clean drinking water and to address PFAS contamination in a specific township.

2020-2021 Restrictions on Appropriations:

The bill provides for several limitations on funds and restricted receipt accounts.

Section 1702-M stipulates again this year that Lottery Fund revenue appropriated for PENNCARE shall not be utilized for administrative costs by the Department of Aging.

Grants to Fairs and Agricultural Organizations

Section 1720-M – For calendar year 2020, the Department of Agriculture shall award grants from the Race Horse Development Restricted Receipts Account to county agricultural society/independent agricultural society/other organizations which conducted annual agricultural fair in the prior calendar year (2019).

The amount of the grant awarded shall be the same amount that the county agricultural society/independent agricultural society/other organizations received in the prior calendar year. (new)

Restricted Receipt Accounts:

Section 1725-M allows the Secretary to create restricted receipt accounts for the purpose of administering federal grants for various agencies. (same language as the prior year)

Fund Transfers

School Safety and Security Transfer: Section 1726-M requires \$49.8 million from the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief appropriation (the full amount of PDE's flexible CARES dollars) to be transferred to the School Safety and Security Fund. (new)

Transfer to Environmental Stewardship Fund: The bill also requires \$13.78 million from personal income tax revenues to be transferred to the Environmental Stewardship Fund. (old language, new amount)



Transfer to Property Tax Relief Fund: The Secretary of the Budget is authorized to transfer up to \$200 million from personal income tax revenues to the Property Tax Relief Fund in order to provide a total of \$621 million in statewide property tax relief. This is the amount that was needed to keep property tax relief to homeowners in 2020 consistent with the prior year, while keeping school districts whole.

Transfers to General Fund to Balance the Budget:

The bill enumerates 19 transfers from special funds and accounts to the General Fund in Section 1726-M(d). Together with the transfers authorized in Section 1735.1-A.1 that were previously established through Act 10 of 2020, the total transfers to the General Fund under this bill are \$431.175 million. The following table shows both sets of transfers:

Fiscal Year 2020/21 Special Fund to General Fund Transfers
(amounts in thousands)

Fund	Amount	In Act 10	New in FC
Agriculture Conservation Purchase Easement Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	
Cigarette Fire Safety & Firefighter Protection Act Fund	\$150		\$150
Energy Development Fund	\$1,000		\$1,000
Environmental Education Fund	\$500		\$500
Highway Beautification Fund	\$150		\$150
Historical Preservation Fund	\$4,000		\$4,000
Industrial Sites Cleanup Fund	\$10,000		\$10,000
Industrial Sites Environmental Assessment Fund	\$7,500		\$7,500
Insurance Regulation and Oversight Fund	\$10,000		\$10,000
Job Training Fund	\$375		\$375
Judicial Computer System Aug Account	\$30,000		\$30,000
Local Government Capital Project Loan Fund	\$2,000		\$2,000
Machinery and Equipment Loan Fund	\$5,000		\$5,000
Medical Marijuana Program Fund	\$20,000		\$20,000
Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank	\$5,000	\$5,000	
PennVEST Fund	\$10,000		\$10,000
PennVEST Drinking Water Revolving Fund	\$26,500		\$26,500
PennVEST Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund	\$9,000		\$9,000
Racing Fund	\$10,000		\$10,000
Recycling Fund	\$50,000		\$50,000
Surface Mining Conservation & Reclamation Fund	\$4,000	\$4,000	
Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund	\$30,000	\$30,000	
Volunteer Companies Loan Fund	\$6,000	\$6,000	
Worker's Compensation Security Fund	\$185,000		\$185,000
Total	\$431,175	\$50,000	\$381,175



Repeals

The bill repeals 5 sections from Title 4, relating to various gaming regulations, insofar as they are inconsistent with Section 1724.1-E(f) of the bill, which extends those temporary regulations from two until three years after the date of publication.

Effective Dates:

Section 111-C, which pertains to unexpended Coronavirus Relief Fund money, is retroactive to May 29, 2020.

Articles XVII-L and XVII-M, which provide the 2020-21 budget implementation language and restrictions, apply retroactively to the start of the fiscal year, July 1, 2020.

The remainder takes effect immediately.

