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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1591 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY MOUL, CUTLER, BLOOM, GROVE, LAWRENCE, B. MILLER,  
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TOOHIL AND GINGRICH, OCTOBER 21, 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, OCTOBER 21, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department  
2 of Agriculture for the purpose of agricultural research for  
3 the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

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

6 Section 1. The following sum, or as much thereof as may be  
7 necessary, is specifically appropriated from the General Fund to  
8 the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year July 1, 2015,  
9 to June 30, 2016, for the purpose and in the amount shown:

10 For agricultural research.

11 State appropriation..... 1,587,000

12 Section 2. From funds appropriated under section 1, at least  
13 \$300,000 shall be used for an agricultural resource center in  
14 conjunction with a land-grant university and at least \$800,000  
15 shall be used for an animal diagnostic laboratory affiliated  
16 with a university located in a city of the first class to

1 increase the capacity to address avian flu and other animal  
2 disease outbreaks.

3 Section 3. Except as otherwise provided by law the  
4 appropriation in this act unexpended, uncommitted or  
5 unencumbered as of June 30, 2016, shall automatically lapse as  
6 of that date.

7 Section 4. This act shall apply retroactively to July 1,  
8 2015.

9 Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.