

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

Senate Bill 353 Printer's No. 377

Prime Sponsor: Senator Rafferty Committee: State Government

SYNOPSIS:

Directs the Department of General Services (DGS) to grant and convey a certain tract of land in East Vincent Township, Chester County.

SUMMARY:

DGS, with the approval of the Governor and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, is authorized to grant and convey to the Pennhurst Memorial Preservation Alliance 3.83-acres of land, located in East Vincent Township, Chester County, for \$1.

The Alliance intends to use the property for renovation and as a museum and/or educational center in order to preserve the history of Pennhurst State Hospital.

If this conveyance is not fully executed within two years, the authority contained in this section shall expire.

Effective Date: Immediately.

CURRENT LAW:

Section 514(a) of Act 175 of 1929, known as the Administrative Code, requires legislative authorization for the conveyance of, easement of, or right-of-way to Commonwealth land.

PA Senate Rule 12(i) sets forth that all land conveyance bills, before being considered by a standing committee and reported to the Floor of the Senate, are to be subject to a memorandum from DGS, which indicates the present and proposed use of the property; consideration for the transfer, and the appraised value of the property.

BILL HISTORY:

Referred to State Government, February 15, 2017.

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