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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 3, 1997

AN ACT

1 Establishing the Turnpike Oversight Committee; and requiring the
2 Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission to issue reports.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Turnpike
7 Oversight Committee.

8 Section 2. Committee.

9 (a) Establishment.--There is hereby established the Turnpike
10 Oversight Committee, consisting of six members, three members of
11 the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives.

12 (b) Senate members.--Of the three members of the Senate, no
13 more than two shall be of the same political party. One member
14 shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate,
15 one member shall be the Minority Leader of the Senate and one
16 member shall be the chairman of the Transportation Committee of
17 the Senate.

1 (c) House members.--Of the three members of the House of
2 Representatives, no more than two shall be of the same political
3 party. One member shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House
4 of Representatives, one member shall be the Minority Leader of
5 the House of Representatives and one member shall be the
6 chairman of the Transportation Committee of the House of
7 Representatives.

8 (d) Chairman.--The Speaker of the House of Representatives
9 shall serve as chairman of the Turnpike Oversight Committee for
10 the first year of its operation. Thereafter, the chairmanship
11 shall alternate between the members of the Senate and the
12 members of the House of Representatives.

13 (e) Terms.--Each member of the Turnpike Oversight Committee
14 shall serve a term equal to the remainder of the term to which
15 he or she was elected to legislative office.

16 (f) Vacancies.--In the event of a vacancy, the vacancy shall
17 be filled by the same procedure as the original appointment. Any
18 member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve the unexpired
19 term of the member who caused the vacancy.

20 (g) Meetings.--The Turnpike Oversight Committee shall meet
21 at least once every three months.

22 (h) Reports.--At each meeting, the Pennsylvania Turnpike
23 Commission shall make a report to the Turnpike Oversight
24 Committee on commission matters, including, but not limited to,
25 financial and budgetary matters and proposed and ongoing
26 construction, maintenance, repair and operational projects of
27 the commission.

28 (i) Compensation and expenses.--The members of the Turnpike
29 Oversight Committee shall serve without compensation but shall
30 be reimbursed by the commission for their actual and necessary

1 expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties as
2 committee members.

3 Section 3. Effective date.

4 This act shall take effect in 60 days.