

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 798 Session of 2013

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 16, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for organization of commission.

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

5 Section 1. Section 301(a) and (c) of Title 30 of the
6 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, amended November 1, 2012
7 (P.L.1716, No.211), are amended to read:

8 § 301. Organization of commission.

9 (a) Composition.--The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission
10 is continued as an independent administrative commission and
11 shall consist of ten competent citizens of this Commonwealth who
12 shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and
13 consent of a majority of the members elected to the Senate for
14 terms of [eight] four years and until their successors are
15 appointed and qualified.

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17 (c) Terms of office and compensation.--The members shall

1 hold office for terms of [eight] four years and until a
2 successor is appointed and qualified. [A member appointed to
3 fill a vacancy for a period of four years or less may be
4 eligible for appointment to a full eight-year term. A member who
5 serves a full eight-year term or fills a vacancy for a period of
6 more than four years shall not be eligible for reappointment to
7 the commission until a period of eight years expires.] The
8 members shall receive no compensation for their services but may
9 be reimbursed for travel expenses. When performing any function
10 on behalf of the commission or acting within the scope of their
11 official duties, members of the commission shall be authorized
12 to operate Commonwealth vehicles and watercraft and shall be
13 treated as employees of the Commonwealth for the purposes of
14 automotive and general liability and the act of June 2, 1915
15 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act.

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17 SECTION 2. THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY: <--

18 (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2), THE
19 AMENDMENT OF 30 PA.C.S. § 301(A) AND (C) SHALL APPLY TO
20 MEMBERS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION WHO ARE
21 APPOINTED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

22 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1), A MEMBER OF THE
23 PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION WHO SERVES A FULL
24 EIGHT-YEAR TERM OR FILLS A VACANCY FOR A PERIOD OF MORE THAN
25 FOUR YEARS SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE
26 COMMISSION AT ANY TIME.

27 Section 2 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days. <--