THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY WHITE, SCARNATI, ARGALL, FOLMER, HUTCHINSON, BROOKS, AUMENT, VULAKOVICH AND STEFANO, SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.769, No.240), entitled "An act relating to Commonwealth documents; providing for the printing and distribution of administrative regulations; 3 regulating the adoption, publication, codification and 4 effectiveness of regulations, statements of policy, and certain other Commonwealth documents; creating the Joint Committee on Documents and prescribing its powers and duties; 7 providing penalties, and making appropriations and repeals," in promulgation of regulations and format of documents, 9 further providing for omission of notice of proposed rule 10 11 making. 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows: 14 Section 1. Section 204 of the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.769, 15 No.240), referred to as the Commonwealth Documents Law, is 16 amended to read: 17 Section 204. Omission of Notice of Proposed Rule Making .--Except as otherwise provided by regulations promulgated by the 18 19 joint committee, an agency may omit or modify the procedures specified in sections 201 and 202, if the agency finds there is 20 21 no fiscal impact (and incorporates the finding and a brief

statement of the reasons therefor in the order adopting the

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- 1 administrative regulation or change therein), and:
- 2 (1) The administrative regulation or change therein relates
- 3 to: (i) military affairs; (ii) agency organization, management
- 4 or personnel; (iii) agency procedure or practice; (iv)
- 5 Commonwealth property, loans, grants, benefits or contracts; or
- 6 (v) the interpretation of a self-executing act of Assembly or
- 7 administrative regulation; or
- 8 (2) All persons subject to the administrative regulation or
- 9 change therein are named therein and are either personally
- 10 served with notice of the proposed promulgation, amendment or
- 11 repeal or otherwise have actual notice thereof in accordance
- 12 with law; or
- 13 (3) The agency for good cause finds (and incorporates the
- 14 finding and a brief statement of the reasons therefor in the
- 15 order adopting the administrative regulation or change therein)
- 16 that the procedures specified in sections 201 and 202 are in the
- 17 circumstances impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the
- 18 public interest.
- 19 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.