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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JULY 13, 1977

AN ACT

1 Providing for the termination of all agencies, boards,
2 commissions, committees, departments and similar units of
3 State Government that have not been created by statutes
4 enacted by the General Assembly; establishing a committee to
5 oversee the termination and providing a limited time period
6 for the continuation of certain agencies, boards,
7 commissions, committees, departments and similar units of
8 State Government.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the

1 "Non-statutory Agency Termination Act."

2 Section 2. There is hereby established a joint General
3 Assembly Committee to be known as the "Leadership Committee."
4 The committee shall be composed of the Speaker of the House of
5 Representatives the President pro tempore of the Senate and the
6 Majority and Minority Leaders of the House of Representatives
7 and the Senate.

8 The Speaker of the House of Representative shall serve as the
9 temporary chairman of the committee until such time as the
10 committee shall meet and elect its own chairman.

11 Section 3. All agencies, boards, commissions, committees,
12 departments or similar units of State Government not created by
13 statute enacted by the General Assembly shall be terminated on
14 November 30, 1978, or one calendar year from the date of their
15 creation, whichever is later.

16 Section 4. Whenever the Governor determines that an agency,
17 board, commission, committee, department or other similar unit
18 of State Government should continue to exist, the Governor shall
19 notify the General Assembly of this desire prior to the proposed
20 date for termination.

21 Section 5. The Leadership Committee may grant the terminated
22 agency an extension of not more than six months while the
23 General Assembly considers the necessity of recreating the
24 terminated agency. The Leadership Committee shall refer the
25 question of possible recreation of an agency to the appropriate
26 committee or committees in both the Senate and the House of
27 Representatives.

28 Section 6. The Governor shall not reinstitute any agency,
29 board, commission, committee, department or other similar unit
30 of State Government terminated pursuant to this law, nor shall

1 the Governor establish or constitute a similar agency to carry
2 out the terminated functions.

3 Section 7. Employees of terminated agencies, boards,
4 commissions, committees, departments and similar units of State
5 Government who have civil service status or who are covered by
6 union contracts shall fill any existing vacancies within the
7 administrative branch of State Government in their grade and
8 position. If there are more employees than vacant positions at
9 the time of termination, then such terminated employees shall
10 receive employment in the first vacancies that shall thereafter
11 exist in their grade and rank.

12 Section 8. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the
13 provisions of this act are repealed to the extent of the
14 inconsistency.

15 Section 9. This act shall take effect immediately.