

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 299 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY CONKLIN, SCHLOSSBERG, HARHAI, FABRIZIO, MILLARD,
V. BROWN, GOODMAN, D. COSTA, HARKINS, KORTZ, DELUCA, FREEMAN,
NEUMAN, MAHONEY, WATERS AND STURLA, JANUARY 23, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JANUARY 23, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of February 22, 1855 (P.L.46, No.50), entitled
2 "An act to incorporate the Farmers' High School of
3 Pennsylvania," further providing for management by board of
4 trustees.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of February 22, 1855
8 (P.L.46, No.50), entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers'
9 High School of Pennsylvania," is amended to read:

10 Section 2. Management by board of trustees

11 (a) The said institution shall be under the management and
12 government of a board of trustees[, of whom there shall be
13 thirteen, and seven of whom shall be a quorum, competent to
14 perform the duties hereinafter authorized and required.] that
15 shall be comprised of a total of twenty-two trustees, which
16 shall include eighteen voting trustees, three voting trustees ex
17 officio and one nonvoting trustee ex officio.

18 (1) The composition of said board shall reflect the overall

interests and expertise of the following officials and entities:

(i) The Governor, who shall be the nonvoting trustee ex officio.

(ii) The Secretary of Agriculture.

(iii) The Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(iv) The Secretary of Education.

(v) The Pennsylvania State University alumni.

(vi) Pennsylvania county agricultural societies.

(vii) Pennsylvania business and industry groups.

(2) Business and industry trustees shall only be elected by members of geographically dispersed Pennsylvania business and industry associations; at least two of these trustees shall represent the fields of engineering, mining, manufacturing and architecture.

(3) Prospective members of the board of trustees who shall represent the interests and expertise of school alumni, agriculture and business and industry shall only be elected by the following entities:

(i) The Pennsylvania State University alumni.

(ii) Pennsylvania county agriculture societies.

(iii) Pennsylvania business and industry groups.

(4) A simple majority of the voting members of the board of trustees shall constitute a quorum and is required prior to any official action to be taken by the board.

(5) Members of the board of trustees shall either be elected or appointed for a term of three years. No member shall serve more than an aggregate limit of nine years on the board of trustees during the course of his lifetime.

(b) The provisions of this section shall be applicable to both current and prospective members of The Pennsylvania State

1 University board of trustees.

2 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.