

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 326

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE O'NEAL

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 1 through 6, by striking out all of
2 said lines and inserting

3 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
4 Consolidated Statutes, in the Governor as Commander-in-Chief,
5 further providing for active duty for emergency.

6 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 9 through 19; page 2, lines 1
7 through 19; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and
8 inserting

9 Section 1. Section 508 of Title 51 of the Pennsylvania
10 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding subsections to read:
11 § 508. Active duty for emergency.

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13 (c) Distribution and administration of items for a virus.--
14 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Pennsylvania
15 National Guard may, within 45 days of the effective date of this
16 subsection and in conjunction with the Department of Health and
17 the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, develop plans for
18 the establishment and operation in each region of a site for the
19 community distribution and administration of pharmaceuticals,
20 medical equipment and supplies and vaccines for a virus.
21 Administration of the vaccine shall include the inoculation of
22 individuals by members of the Pennsylvania National Guard who
23 possess the required training.

24 (d) Report.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
25 Governor shall, within 45 days of the effective date of this
26 subsection, establish and submit to the General Assembly a
27 report on the integration of the Pennsylvania National Guard
28 into the Commonwealth's plan for the distribution and
29 administration of any vaccine for COVID-19, including the
30 administration of the vaccine to individuals by members of the
31 Pennsylvania National Guard. The report shall be prepared in
32 consultation with the Secretary of Health, the Director of the
33 Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and the Adjutant
34 General of the Pennsylvania National Guard, and shall include
35 the following considerations:

1 (1) Availability and capacity of medical units of the
2 Pennsylvania National Guard for the administration of any
3 vaccine for COVID-19 to individuals.

4 (2) Availability and capacity of other units of the
5 Pennsylvania National Guard for supportive missions,
6 including logistics and preparation for community vaccination
7 clinics.

8 (3) Critical missions of the Pennsylvania National
9 Guard, including the deployment of members to skilled nursing
10 facilities to combat outbreaks of COVID-19.

11 (4) Current and anticipated allocations of any vaccine
12 for COVID-19 available to the Commonwealth.

13 (5) Federal guidance on the use of the National Guard
14 for the purposes under this subsection.

15 (e) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
16 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
17 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

18 "Region." Each region of the Commonwealth, as identified by
19 the Department of Health.

20 "Virus." A virus or infectious disease, identified by the
21 United States Department of Health and Human Services or the
22 Department of Health. The term includes COVID-19.

23 Amend Bill, page 2, line 20, by striking out "4" and
24 inserting

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