THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2418 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY O'NEAL AND RYAN, APRIL 17, 2020

SENATOR HUTCHINSON, FINANCE, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, JUNE 8, 2020

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
"An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
Executive Department thereof and the administrative
departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
officers, and of the several administrative departments,
boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
other assistants and employees in certain departments, boards,
and commissions; providing for judicial administration; and
prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation
of the deputies and all other assistants and employees of
certain departments, boards and commissions shall be
determined," IN ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND OF ADVISORY BOARDS AND
COMMISSIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR STATE GEOSPATIAL
COORDINATING BOARD; AND providing for COVID-19 debt cost
reduction review.

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

Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding an
article to read:

SECTION 1. SECTION 432.1(B)(1)(VII) AND (VIII) AND (J) OF THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.177, NO.175), KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929, ARE AMENDED, SUBSECTION (B)(1) IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBPARAGRAPH AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:

SECTION 432.1. STATE GEOSPATIAL COORDINATING BOARD.--* * *

(B) (1) THE STATE GEOSPATIAL COORDINATING BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

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(VI.1) THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE OR A DESIGNEE.


(VIII) THREE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAJORITY LEADER AND MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A LOCAL [ELECTED] GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE REPRESENTING AN URBAN COMMUNITY. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE AN EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH EXPERTISE IN GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY.

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(F.1) THE BOARD MAY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, APPOINT AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WHO SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD. THE SELECTION AND REMOVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR...
SHALL BE MADE BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE
BOARD THAT CONSTITUTE A QUORUM. COMPENSATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR SHALL BE SET BY A VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD
MEMBERS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION (B)(1)(I), (II), (III), (IV),
(V), (VI) AND (VI.1), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE
BOARD. FUNDING FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMPENSATION SHALL
BE EVENLY APPORTIONED AMONGST ALL OF THE COMMONWEALTH AGENCIES
REPRESENTED BY MEMBERS IN SUBSECTION (B)(1)(I), (II), (III),
(IV), (V), (VI) AND (VI.1) AND ADMINISTERED BY THE GOVERNOR'S
BUDGET OFFICE. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE QUALIFIED FOR THE
DUTIES OF THE POSITION, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, AND SHALL
CONDUCT THE WORK OF THE BOARD UNDER THE BOARD'S DIRECTION AND
SUPERVISION. NO CURRENT MEMBER OF THE BOARD MAY SERVE AS THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENT SHALL
NOT CONTINUE BEYOND THE EXPIRATION OF THIS SECTION. THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME POLICIES AND
PROCEDURES AS EMPLOYEES OF THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

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(J) THIS SECTION SHALL EXPIRE JUNE 30, [2020] 2024.

SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING AN ARTICLE TO READ:

ARTICLE XXI-C

COVID-19 DEBT COST REDUCTION REVIEW

Section 2101-C. Review of refinancing opportunities.

The Treasury Department, in conjunction with the Secretary of
the Budget, the Auditor General and any chairperson of an
authority, commission, agency OR board or other State-
authorized entity that has the power to issue debt, shall
identify and review all outstanding debt obligations of the
Commonwealth and its authorities, commissions, agencies, OR
boards or other State-authorized entities and submit a report of
the findings to the General Assembly no later than June OCTOBER 30, 2020. In addition to the identification and review of all outstanding debt obligations, the report shall identify options for the refinancing of the outstanding debt obligations to reduce the costs to the Commonwealth and its authorities. EACH AGENCY IDENTIFIED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE TO THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING, RELATED TO ALL OUTSTANDING DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE AGENCY:

(1) TOTAL OUTSTANDING AMOUNT OF ALL OBLIGATIONS.
(2) MOST RECENT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE AGENCY.
(3) DESCRIPTION OF EACH OBLIGATION, IDENTIFYING SENIOR OR SUBORDINATE DEBT AND FEDERAL TAX TREATMENT.
(4) ACCOUNT OF ALL SECURITY PLEDGED FOR EACH OBLIGATION.
(5) MOST RECENT RATING ASSOCIATED WITH EACH DEBT OBLIGATION, INCLUDING RATE COVENANT AND MATURITY DATE.
(6) LIST OF ALL ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATED AGENCY OBLIGATIONS OR COVENANTS.
(7) ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE COST, DEBT SERVICE FUND AND DEBT SERVICE RESERVE FUND FOR EACH DEBT OBLIGATION.
(8) RISK FACTORS AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH DEBT OBLIGATION.
(9) PENDING LITIGATION THAT MAY FINANCIALLY IMPACT THE DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE AGENCY.

Section 2 3. This act shall take effect immediately.