

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY QUINN, GALLOWAY, C. WILLIAMS, GREINER, GUENST,
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MARCH 16, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, MARCH 16, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 11, 1889 (P.L.188, No.210), entitled "A
2 further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a
3 board of wardens for the Port of Philadelphia, and for the
4 regulation of pilots and pilotage, and for other purposes,'
5 approved March twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and
6 three, and for regulating the rates of pilotage and number of
7 pilots," further providing for rates of pilotage and
8 computation, for pilotage fees and unit charge and for
9 charges for services.

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

12 Section 1. Sections 3.1(b) and (c), 3.2(b) and (c) and
13 3.3(1), (2), (3) and (5) of the act of May 11, 1889 (P.L.188,
14 No.210), entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An
15 act to establish a board of wardens for the Port of
16 Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotage, and
17 for other purposes,' approved March twenty-ninth, one thousand
18 eight hundred and three, and for regulating the rates of
19 pilotage and number of pilots," are amended to read:

20 Section 3.1. For services rendered on and after January 1,
21 1990, retroactively, the rates of pilotage for conducting a

vessel from the Capes of the Delaware to a place on the Delaware River or Bay no further upriver than the Delair Railroad Bridge between Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Delair, New Jersey, or from a place on the river Delaware no further upriver than the Delair Railroad Bridge between Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Delair, New Jersey, to the Capes of the Delaware, in either case, shall be computed as follows:

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(b) The charges per unit shall be as follows:

(viii) Effective January 1, 2019.....	\$14.47 per unit
(ix) Effective January 1, 2020.....	\$14.61 per unit
(x) Effective January 1, 2021.....	\$14.76 per unit]
(xi) Effective January 1, 2022.....	\$14.91 per unit
(xii) Effective January 1, 2023.....	\$15.66 per unit
(xiii) Effective January 1, 2024.....	\$16.44 per unit
(xiv) Effective January 1, 2025.....	\$17.26 per unit

(c) There shall be a minimum charge of two hundred units and a maximum unit charge as follows:

(viii) Effective January 1, 2019.....	1,500 units
(ix) Effective January 1, 2020.....	1,550 units
(x) Effective January 1, 2021.....	1,550 units]
(xi) Effective January 1, 2022.....	1,550 units
(xii) Effective January 1, 2023.....	1,550 units
(xiii) Effective January 1, 2024.....	1,550 units
(xiv) Effective January 1, 2025.....	1,550 units

Section 3.2. That every ship or vessel bound to the Delaware breakwater for orders shall be obliged to receive a pilot, provided she is spoken or a pilot offers his services, outside of a straight line drawn from Cape Henlopen Light to Cape May

1 Light, and every ship or vessel bound to the breakwater for
2 orders shall pay pilotage fees as follows: A sum equal to half
3 the pilotage to the Port of Philadelphia, and she shall be
4 obliged to take a pilot and pay the same pilotage fees when
5 outward bound, from the breakwater, and if such ship or vessel,
6 without discharging her pilot, proceed to the Port of
7 Philadelphia or any other port or place on the bay or river
8 Delaware, only one full pilotage fee as fixed by section 3.1 of
9 this act, for the entire service, in addition to the fee for
10 detention: Provided, however, That if the pilot bringing such
11 ship or vessel to the breakwater be there discharged, and the
12 ship or vessel afterward proceed to Philadelphia or any other
13 port or place on the bay or river Delaware, she shall make the
14 usual signal for a pilot and continue to make such signal till
15 reaching Brandywine Light, and if spoken by, or offered the
16 services of, a duly licensed Pennsylvania pilot before reaching
17 Brandywine Light, shall be obliged to employ such pilot and pay
18 him for services rendered on and after the effective date of
19 this act, a charge computed as follows:

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21 (b) The charges per unit shall be as follows:

22	[(viii) Effective January 1, 2019.....	\$14.47 per unit
23	(ix) Effective January 1, 2020.....	\$14.61 per unit
24	(x) Effective January 1, 2021.....	\$14.76 per unit]
25	(xi) Effective January 1, 2022.....	\$14.91 per unit
26	<u>(xii) Effective January 1, 2023.....</u>	<u>\$15.66 per unit</u>
27	<u>(xiii) Effective January 1, 2024.....</u>	<u>\$16.44 per unit</u>
28	<u>(xiv) Effective January 1, 2025.....</u>	<u>\$17.26 per unit</u>

29 (c) There shall be a minimum charge of two hundred units and
30 a maximum unit charge as follows:

1	[(viii) Effective January 1, 2019.....	1,500 units
2	(ix) Effective January 1, 2020.....	1,550 units
3	(x) Effective January 1, 2021.....	1,550 units]
4	(xi) Effective January 1, 2022.....	1,550 units
5	<u>(xii) Effective January 1, 2023.....</u>	<u>1,550 units</u>
6	<u>(xiii) Effective January 1, 2024.....</u>	<u>1,550 units</u>
7	<u>(xiv) Effective January 1, 2025.....</u>	<u>1,550 units</u>
8	Section 3.3. The following charges are hereby authorized for	
9	the services stated:	
10	(1) Ship communication charge:	
11	Vessels transiting the Delaware River.....	[\$265.00]
12		<u>275.00</u>
13	(2) Transporting vessels in the Delaware:	
14	Philadelphia (or other place) to Marcus Hook...	[800.00]
15		<u>1,000.00</u>
16	Philadelphia (or other place) below Marcus Hook	[800.00]
17		<u>1,000.00</u>
18	Philadelphia Harbor to Torresdale.....	[800.00]
19		<u>1,000.00</u>
20	Philadelphia Harbor to any place above	
21	Torresdale.....	[1,050.00]
22		<u>1,200.00</u>
23	(3) Extra services:	
24	Swing ship to adjust magnetic compass.....	300.00
25	Swing ship to calibrate direction finder.....	300.00
26	Vessels anchoring below Brown Shoal in excess	
27	of three hours awaiting flood tide for transiting	
28	river channel.....	[450.00]
29		<u>500.00</u>
30	Carried to/from Baltimore.....	600.00

1	Carried to/from Norfolk.....	1,000.00
2	Carried to/from New York.....	1,000.00

3 Vessels entering the Capes for anchorage at the Breakwater for
4 other than tide shall pay one-half pilotage in and one-half
5 pilotage out.

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7 (5) Cancellation of sailing orders:

8	Cancellation charge.....	[600.00]
9		<u>1,000.00</u>

10 Any time a pilot is dispatched for sailing and the trip or
11 movement is canceled, for reason other than weather, the vessel
12 shall be subject to this charge, except when the Pilot Office is
13 notified as follows:

14 All piers north of Hog Island - 1 1/2 hours before sailing
15 time.

16 All piers north of Paulsboro - 2 hours before sailing time.

17 All piers south of the above - 3 hours before sailing time.

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