

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 293

Session of
1985

INTRODUCED BY RHOADES, FISHER, HELFRICK, SHAFFER, ANDREZESKI,
LINCOLN, ROCKS, PETERSON, STAPLETON AND KRATZER,
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AS RE-REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 28, 1986

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," further providing for
21 ~~leases on certain areas of State forests~~ MINIMUM STAFFING <—
22 ~~LEVELS AT STATE MENTAL INSTITUTIONS; AND IMPOSING~~ <—
23 ~~RESTRICTIONS ON RELINQUISHMENT.~~

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

26 ~~Section 1. Section 1903 A(1) of the act of April 9, 1929~~ <—

~~(P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929,
amended February 17, 1972 (P.L.70, No.23), is amended to read:~~

~~Section 1903 A. Forest Powers; Lease of Small Areas of State
Forests. The Department of Environmental Resources shall have
the power:~~

~~(1) To lease, for a period not exceeding ten years, on such
terms and conditions as it may consider reasonable, to any
person, corporation, association, church organization, or school
board, of Pennsylvania, such portion of any State forest,
whether owned or leased by the Commonwealth, as the department
may deem suitable, as a site for buildings and facilities to be
used by such person, corporation, association, church
organization, or school board for health and recreation, or as a
site for a church or school purposes: Provided, however, That
the department may, with the approval of the Governor, if a
substantial capital investment is involved and if it is deemed
in the best interests of the Commonwealth, enter into such
leases for a period not to exceed thirty five years. The
department shall not terminate the lease of a person whose cabin
has been destroyed or seriously damaged by vandalism or by fire,
storm, flood or other natural causes and shall permit the
rebuilding of such cabin.~~

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~~Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.~~

~~SECTION 1. THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.177, NO.175), KNOWN
AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929, IS AMENDED BY ADDING
SECTIONS A SECTION TO READ:~~

~~SECTION 2313.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF TREATMENT PERSONNEL FOR
STATE MENTAL INSTITUTIONS.--NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW
TO THE CONTRARY, THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF TREATMENT PERSONNEL AND~~

1 ~~STAFF PER TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PATIENTS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:~~

2 ~~CLASSIFICATION OR POSITION~~ ~~NUMBER OF PERSONNEL~~

3 ~~PER 250 PATIENTS~~

4 ~~UNIT DIRECTOR~~ ~~1~~

5 ~~PSYCHIATRIST WITH AT LEAST THREE~~

6 ~~YEARS RESIDENCY TRAINING IN PSYCHIATRY~~ ~~2~~

7 ~~LICENSED MEDICAL PHYSICIANS~~ ~~4~~

8 ~~REGISTERED NURSES~~ ~~12~~

9 ~~LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES~~ ~~6~~

10 ~~AIDE, LEVEL III~~ ~~6~~

11 ~~AIDE, LEVEL II~~ ~~16~~

12 ~~AIDE, LEVEL I~~ ~~70~~

13 ~~HOSPITAL ORDERLY~~ ~~10~~

14 ~~MEDICAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATOR~~ ~~1~~

15 ~~MEDICAL RECORDS ASSISTANT~~ ~~2~~

16 ~~CLERK STENOGRAPHER II~~ ~~3~~

17 ~~CLERK TYPIST II~~ ~~3~~

18 ~~UNIT ADMINISTRATOR~~ ~~1~~

19 ~~ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK~~ ~~1~~

20 ~~PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A DOCTORAL DEGREE~~

21 ~~FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM~~ ~~1~~

22 ~~PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE~~

23 ~~FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM~~ ~~1~~

24 ~~PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE~~

25 ~~FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM~~ ~~2~~

26 ~~SOCIAL WORKER WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE~~

27 ~~FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM~~ ~~2~~

28 ~~SOCIAL WORKER WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE~~

29 ~~FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM~~ ~~5~~

30 ~~PATIENT ACTIVITY THERAPIST WITH A MASTER'S~~

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| 1 | DEGREE FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM | 1 |
| 2 | PATIENT ACTIVITY AIDE | 10 |
| 3 | MENTAL HEALTH TECHNICIAN | 10 |
| 4 | LICENSED PODIATRIST | 1 |
| 5 | LICENSED DENTIST | 2 |
| 6 | DENTAL HYGIENIST | 1 |
| 7 | CHAPLAIN | 5 |
| 8 | PLANNING, EDUCATIONAL AND | |
| 9 | DEVELOPMENT WORKER | 2 |
| 10 | VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION COUNSELOR | 1 |
| 11 | VOLUNTEER REHABILITATION COUNSELOR | 1 |
| 12 | MENTAL HEALTH FIELD REPRESENTATIVE | 1 |
| 13 | DIETITIAN | 1 |
| 14 | FOOD SERVICE SUPERVISOR | 1 |
| 15 | COOK, LEVEL II | 2 |
| 16 | COOK, LEVEL I | 3 |
| 17 | FOOD SERVICE WORKER | 15 |
| 18 | VEHICLE DRIVER | 1 |
| 19 | HOUSEKEEPER | 15 |
| 20 | MESSENGER | 1 |
| 21 | MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN | 4 |

22 ~~SECTION 2313.2. RESTRICTIONS ON RELINQUISHMENT. THE~~
 23 ~~COMMONWEALTH SHALL NOT RELINQUISH CONTROL OVER ANY STATE GENERAL~~
 24 ~~HOSPITAL FOR TWO YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.~~
 25 ~~THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF FULL-TIME TREATMENT AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL~~ <—
 26 ~~FOR THE MENTALLY ILL AND RETARDED IN STATE HOSPITALS SHALL BE~~
 27 ~~THE NUMBER OF FUNDED POSITIONS AS OF JULY 1, 1985, AT EACH STATE~~
 28 ~~HOSPITAL.~~

29 SECTION 2. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.