THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 396

Session of 1981

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 3, 1981

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the duties of
- 3 the State director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management
- 4 Agency.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 7312 of Title 35, act
- 8 of November 25, 1970 (P.L.707, No.230), known as the
- 9 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, is amended to read:
- 10 § 7312. Organization.
- 11 This agency shall consist of and be organized substantially
- 12 as follows:
- 13 * * *
- 14 (e) State director.--To supervise the work and activities
- 15 comprising the State Civil Defense and Disaster Program, the
- 16 council shall employ an individual to act, on a full-time basis,
- 17 as director of the agency. The director shall serve at the
- 18 pleasure of the council, shall perform all such fiscal,

- 1 planning, administrative, operational and other duties as may be
- 2 assigned to him by the council and shall act as the chairman's
- 3 principal assistant in civil defense and disaster matters. The
- 4 director is also the State coordinating officer responsible to
- 5 coordinate and supervise the Commonwealth and local disaster
- 6 response effort following a presidential declaration of an
- 7 emergency or a major disaster. The director shall also serve as
- 8 the principal advisor to the Governor on all civil and emergency
- 9 <u>disaster matters</u>.
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- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.