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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON MINES AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT, HOUSE  
OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 11, 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 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	<u>CLASSIFICATION OR POSITION</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PERSONNEL</u>
3		<u>PER 250 PATIENTS</u>
4	<u>UNIT DIRECTOR</u>	<u>1</u>
5	<u>PSYCHIATRIST WITH AT LEAST THREE</u>	
6	<u>YEARS RESIDENCY TRAINING IN PSYCHIATRY</u>	<u>2</u>
7	<u>LICENSED MEDICAL PHYSICIANS</u>	<u>4</u>
8	<u>REGISTERED NURSES</u>	<u>12</u>
9	<u>LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES</u>	<u>6</u>
10	<u>AIDE, LEVEL III</u>	<u>6</u>
11	<u>AIDE, LEVEL II</u>	<u>16</u>
12	<u>AIDE, LEVEL I</u>	<u>70</u>
13	<u>HOSPITAL ORDERLY</u>	<u>10</u>
14	<u>MEDICAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>1</u>
15	<u>MEDICAL RECORDS ASSISTANT</u>	<u>2</u>
16	<u>CLERK STENOGRAPHER II</u>	<u>3</u>
17	<u>CLERK TYPIST II</u>	<u>3</u>
18	<u>UNIT ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>1</u>
19	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK</u>	<u>1</u>
20	<u>PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A DOCTORAL DEGREE</u>	
21	<u>FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM</u>	<u>1</u>
22	<u>PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE</u>	
23	<u>FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM</u>	<u>1</u>
24	<u>PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE</u>	
25	<u>FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM</u>	<u>2</u>
26	<u>SOCIAL WORKER WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE</u>	
27	<u>FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM</u>	<u>2</u>
28	<u>SOCIAL WORKER WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE</u>	
29	<u>FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM</u>	<u>5</u>
30	<u>PATIENT ACTIVITY THERAPIST WITH A MASTER'S</u>	

1	<u>DEGREE FROM AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM</u>	<u>1</u>
2	<u>PATIENT ACTIVITY AIDE</u>	<u>10</u>
3	<u>MENTAL HEALTH TECHNICIAN</u>	<u>10</u>
4	<u>LICENSED PODIATRIST</u>	<u>1</u>
5	<u>LICENSED DENTIST</u>	<u>2</u>
6	<u>DENTAL HYGIENIST</u>	<u>1</u>
7	<u>CHAPLAIN</u>	<u>5</u>
8	<u>PLANNING, EDUCATIONAL AND</u>	
9	<u>DEVELOPMENT WORKER</u>	<u>2</u>
10	<u>VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION COUNSELOR</u>	<u>1</u>
11	<u>VOLUNTEER REHABILITATION COUNSELOR</u>	<u>1</u>
12	<u>MENTAL HEALTH FIELD REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>1</u>
13	<u>DIETITIAN</u>	<u>1</u>
14	<u>FOOD SERVICE SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>1</u>
15	<u>COOK, LEVEL II</u>	<u>2</u>
16	<u>COOK, LEVEL I</u>	<u>3</u>
17	<u>FOOD SERVICE WORKER</u>	<u>15</u>
18	<u>VEHICLE DRIVER</u>	<u>1</u>
19	<u>HOUSEKEEPER</u>	<u>15</u>
20	<u>MESSENGER</u>	<u>1</u>
21	<u>MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN</u>	<u>4</u>
22	<u>SECTION 2313.2. RESTRICTIONS ON RELINQUISHMENT.--THE</u>	
23	<u>COMMONWEALTH SHALL NOT RELINQUISH CONTROL OVER ANY STATE GENERAL</u>	
24	<u>HOSPITAL FOR TWO YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.</u>	
25	SECTION 2. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.	