## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 79

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ROBERTS, BELARDI, BAKER AND CIVERA, JANUARY 28, 1997

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 28, 1997

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, further providing for the organization of the
- 3 Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 301(b) of Title 30 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 301. Organization of commission.
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- 10 (b) Qualifications. -- An individual who has been or is an
- 11 employee of the commission may not serve as a member of the
- 12 <u>commission</u>. Two members of the commission shall serve at-large
- 13 and be experienced in boating and water safety education and be
- 14 a registered boat owner in Pennsylvania. The two boatmen members
- 15 shall represent the various geographical sections and boating
- 16 interests of this Commonwealth. The remaining eight members
- 17 shall be persons well informed on the subject of conservation,

- 1 restoration, fish and fishing and boats and boating and shall be
- 2 appointed, insofar as practicable, on a bipartisan basis and
- 3 from the various geographic districts of this Commonwealth so
- 4 that at all times one and only one member shall be a resident of
- 5 each of the following districts:
- 6 (1) First district, consisting of the counties of Erie,
- 7 Crawford, Mercer, Lawrence, Venango, Butler, Warren, Forest
- 8 and Clarion.
- 9 (2) Second district, consisting of the counties of
- 10 Beaver, Allegheny, Washington, Greene, Armstrong, Indiana,
- 11 Westmoreland and Fayette.
- 12 (3) Third district, consisting of the counties of
- 13 McKean, Elk, Jefferson, Potter, Cameron, Clearfield, Clinton
- 14 and Centre.
- 15 (4) Fourth district, consisting of the counties of
- 16 Cambria, Somerset, Blair, Bedford, Huntingdon, Fulton,
- 17 Mifflin and Juniata.
- 18 (5) Fifth district, consisting of the counties of Tioga,
- 19 Lycoming, Union, Snyder, Bradford, Sullivan, Columbia,
- 20 Montour and Northumberland.
- 21 (6) Sixth district, consisting of the counties of
- 22 Franklin, Perry, Cumberland, Adams, Dauphin, York, Lebanon
- 23 and Lancaster.
- 24 (7) Seventh district, consisting of the counties of
- Susquehanna, Wyoming, Luzerne, Lackawanna, Carbon, Wayne,
- 26 Pike and Monroe.
- 27 (8) Eighth district, consisting of the counties of
- 28 Schuylkill, Berks, Chester, Northampton, Lehigh, Bucks,
- 29 Montgomery, Philadelphia and Delaware.
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- 1 Section 2. The amendment of 30 Pa.C.S. § 301(b) shall apply
- 2 to members of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission who take
- 3 office on or after the effective date of this act.
- 4 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.