

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 4, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, APRIL 4, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for the term of office for
3 commissioners and for removal from office.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 301(c) and (d) of Title 30 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

8 § 301. Organization of commission.

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10 (c) Terms of office and compensation.--The members shall
11 hold office for terms of [eight] five years and may continue to
12 hold office for a period of time not to exceed six months or
13 until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever occurs
14 first. [A member appointed to fill a vacancy for a period of
15 four years or less may be eligible for appointment to a full
16 eight-year term. A member who serves a full eight-year term or
17 fills a vacancy for a period of more than four years shall not

1 be eligible for reappointment to the commission until a period
2 of eight years expires.] A member of the commission is eligible
3 for and may be appointed for a second and subsequent term of
4 five years. The members shall receive no compensation for their
5 services but may be reimbursed for travel expenses. When
6 performing any function on behalf of the commission or acting
7 within the scope of their official duties, members of the
8 commission shall be authorized to operate Commonwealth vehicles
9 and watercraft and shall be treated as employees of the
10 Commonwealth for the purposes of automotive and general
11 liability and the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known
12 as the Workers' Compensation Act.

13 (d) Vacancies.--Upon the death, resignation or removal for
14 cause after notice and hearing from office of any member, the
15 Governor shall appoint a competent person to serve for the
16 unexpired term.

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18 Section 2. The provisions of 30 Pa.C.S. § 301(c) shall not
19 be construed to reduce the term of office for the members of the
20 commission holding office on the effective date of this act.

21 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.