

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 985 Session of 2011

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 9, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 5, 1941 (P.L.752, No.286), entitled  
2 "An act regulating and improving the civil service of certain  
3 departments and agencies of the Commonwealth; vesting in the  
4 State Civil Service Commission and a Personnel Director  
5 certain powers and duties; providing for classification of  
6 positions, adoption of compensation schedules and  
7 certification of payrolls; imposing duties upon certain  
8 officers and employees of the Commonwealth; authorizing  
9 service to other State departments or agencies and political  
10 subdivisions of the Commonwealth in matters relating to civil  
11 service; defining certain crimes and misdemeanors; imposing  
12 penalties; making certain appropriations, and repealing  
13 certain acts and parts thereof," further providing for  
14 administration.

15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
16 hereby enacts as follows:

17 Section 1. Section 206 of the act of August 5, 1941  
18 (P.L.752, No.286), known as the Civil Service Act, amended  
19 November 27, 2002 (P.L.1129, No.140), is amended to read:

20 Section 206. Powers and Duties of Director.--Under the  
21 direction and supervision of the commission, the director,  
22 except as otherwise provided in this act, shall direct and

1 supervise the administrative work of the commission. The  
2 director shall have power and the duty--

3 (1) To appoint such staff to classified service positions as  
4 may be necessary to carry out this act and to supervise and  
5 direct this work.

6 (2) To attend the meetings of the commission.

7 (3) To prepare and recommend to the commission rules and  
8 amendments thereto.

9 (4) To establish and maintain a record of all employes in  
10 the classified service, showing such data as the director  
11 considers desirable and pertinent.

12 (5) To administer and make effective the provisions of this  
13 act and of the rules made thereunder, including those relating  
14 to the preparation and conduct of examinations, the preparation  
15 of eligible lists, the certification of persons qualified for  
16 employment, the transfer, promotion, suspension, demotion,  
17 removal, furlough, leave of absence and resignation of employes,  
18 the rating of employes' services, the requiring of health  
19 examinations at the discretion of appointing authorities as a  
20 condition of initial or continued employment.

21 (6) To investigate the effect of the administration of this  
22 act and of the rules made thereunder and to report his findings  
23 and recommendations to the commission.

24 (8) To make an annual report in writing, not later than  
25 November first of each year, concerning the administrative and  
26 legal work performed by the commission during the preceding  
27 fiscal year.

28 (9) To do any act or acts required by this act, or directed  
29 by the commission, or the rules made thereunder.

30 (10) To request assistance, from among the attorneys

1 appointed under section 204.1, such legal counsel as may be  
2 necessary in the performance of his administrative duties.

3 (11) To advertise, on the commission website and in all  
4 commission announcements, advertisements and examination  
5 materials, that veterans' preference is the law of this  
6 Commonwealth and that, under 51 Pa.C.S. § 7103 (relating to  
7 additional points in grading civil service examinations), an  
8 additional ten points will be applied to a veteran's final  
9 examination score to determine standing on all certified  
10 eligibility lists.

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.