

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 9, 2021

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; providing for judicial administration; and
18 prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation
19 of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of
20 certain departments, boards and commissions shall be
21 determined," in Independent Fiscal Office, further providing
22 for definitions and for duties of office.

23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
24 hereby enacts as follows:

25 Section 1. Section 602-B of the act of April 9, 1929
26 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is
27 amended by adding a definition to read:

1 Section 602-B. Definitions.

2 The following words and phrases when used in this article
3 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
4 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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6 "Critical risk factor." Any element of risk of sufficient
7 magnitude which, if not dealt with, may negatively affect the
8 ability of the State to continue to meet financial obligations.

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10 Section 2. Section 604-B(a)(2) of the act is amended and the
11 subsection is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

12 Section 604-B. Duties of office.

13 (a) Mandatory.--The office shall:

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15 (2) By November 15 of each year, provide an assessment
16 of the State's current fiscal condition and a projection of
17 what the fiscal condition will be during the next five years.
18 The assessment shall take into account the state of the
19 economy, demographics, revenues [and], expenditures and
20 critical risk factors of importance for the financial well-
21 being of the State.

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23 (9) Compile information to track money distributed by
24 the Federal Government to entities within this Commonwealth
25 under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
26 (Public Law 116-136, 134 Stat. 281), THE CONSOLIDATED <--
27 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 (PUBLIC LAW 116-260, 134 STAT. 1182)
28 OR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 (PUBLIC LAW 117-2,
29 135 STAT. 4) that was not received directly by or originally
30 deposited into an account of the Commonwealth or an agency of

1 the Commonwealth. The office shall regularly provide this
2 information to the chairperson and minority chairperson of
3 the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the
4 chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations
5 Committee of the House of Representatives. The office shall
6 post this information on the office's publicly available
7 Internet website. This paragraph shall expire on December 31,
8 2021.

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10 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.