

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 29, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 14, 1992 (P.L.818, No.133),
2 entitled "An act establishing the Port of Pittsburgh
3 Commission; providing for its powers and duties; and making a
4 repeal," further providing for commission and governing body.

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

7 Section 1. Section 3(b)(2) of the act of December 14, 1992
8 (P.L.818, No.133), known as the Port of Pittsburgh Commission
9 Act, is amended and subsection (b) is amended by adding
10 paragraphs to read:

11 Section 3. Commission and governing body.

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13 (b) Governing body.--

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15 [(2) The governing body shall be composed of 15 members
16 who shall be appointed in the following manner and who shall
17 be residents of this Commonwealth and serve at the pleasure
18 of their respective appointing authority:

19 (i) One member shall be appointed by the President

1 pro tempore of the Senate for a term concurrent with the
2 term of such appointing authority.

3 (ii) One member shall be appointed by the Minority
4 Leader of the Senate for a term concurrent with the term
5 of such appointing authority.

6 (iii) One member shall be appointed by the Speaker
7 of the House of Representatives for a term concurrent
8 with the term of such appointing authority.

9 (iv) One member shall be appointed by the Minority
10 Leader of the House of Representatives for a term
11 concurrent with the term of such appointing authority.

12 (v) Four members initially appointed by the Governor
13 for terms of one, two, three and four years,
14 respectively, provided that their respective successors
15 shall each be appointed for a term of four years. The
16 initial term of each member shall be designated by the
17 Governor at the time of appointment.

18 (vi) Seven members appointed by the Governor for a
19 term of four years, provided that one member shall be
20 appointed from each list of at least three nominees
21 submitted to the Governor respectively by the Waterways
22 Association of Pittsburgh, the River Terminal Operator's
23 Association, the Association for the Development of
24 Inland Navigation in America's Ohio Valley and the county
25 commissioners jointly of those counties within the port
26 district which are not members of the Southwestern
27 Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission; and three
28 members shall be appointed from a list of at least five
29 nominees submitted to the Governor by the Southwestern
30 Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission. Each list

1 shall be submitted to the Governor within 30 days of the
2 effective date of this act, and the Governor shall select
3 a member from each list within 30 days of receipt of each
4 list or else may request one substitute list of nominees
5 from any entity who prepares a list. If each entity
6 permitted to submit a list fails to submit a list of
7 nominees within 30 days of the effective date of this act
8 or fails to submit a substitute list within 30 days of
9 receipt of a request to do so, the Governor may appoint
10 at his discretion such member or members for which a list
11 of nominees was not submitted. Whenever a vacancy occurs
12 prior to the completion of the term of office of a member
13 appointed pursuant to this paragraph, the entity which
14 prepared the list for the board member whose seat has
15 become vacant shall submit a list of nominees to replace
16 that member to the Governor who shall select a person to
17 fill the vacancy in the manner provided for in this
18 paragraph for the selection of original appointments.]

19 (2.1) The governing body shall be composed of the
20 following members, who must be individuals 18 years of age or
21 older and residents of this Commonwealth, who shall serve at
22 the pleasure of the respective appointing authority, and who
23 shall be appointed in the following manner:

24 (i) Four members appointed by the Governor for a
25 term of four years.

26 (ii) Three members shall be appointed by the
27 Governor from a list of at least five nominees submitted
28 to the Governor by the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional
29 Planning Commission for a term of two years and until
30 reappointed or a successor is appointed.

1 (iii) One member appointed by the Governor from a
2 list of at least three nominees submitted to the Governor
3 by the Port of Pittsburgh Commission board for a term of
4 two years and until reappointed or a successor is
5 appointed.

6 (iv) One member appointed by the President pro
7 tempore of the Senate for a term concurrent with the term
8 of the appointing authority.

9 (v) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House
10 of Representatives for a term concurrent with the term of
11 the appointing authority.

12 (vi) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of
13 the Senate for a term concurrent with the term of the
14 appointing authority.

15 (vii) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of
16 the House of Representatives for a term concurrent with
17 the term of the appointing authority.

18 (viii) One member nominated by the Port of
19 Pittsburgh Executive Committee and appointed by the Port
20 of Pittsburgh Commission board for a term of two years
21 and until reappointed or a successor is appointed.

22 (2.2) If each entity permitted to submit a list under
23 paragraph (2.1) fails to submit a list of nominees within 30
24 days of the effective date of this paragraph or fails to
25 submit a substitute list within 30 days of receipt of a
26 request to do so, the Governor may appoint the member or
27 members for which a list of nominees was not submitted.
28 Whenever a vacancy occurs prior to the completion of the term
29 of office of a member appointed under this paragraph, the
30 entity which prepared the list for the board member whose

1 seat has become vacant shall submit a list of nominees to
2 replace that member to the Governor, and the Governor shall
3 select a person to fill the vacancy in the manner provided
4 for in this paragraph for the selection of original
5 appointments.

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