

**CREATING A HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Act of Jul. 24, 1941, P.L. 494, No. 189**  
AN ACT

Cl. 36

Creating a Highway Traffic Advisory Committee to the War Department of the United States of America; providing for its appointment; prescribing the powers and duties, and authorizing the use by the committee of the employes, equipment, supplies and facilities of certain State agencies.

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

WHEREAS, The Secretary of War of the United States of America has requested the Governor of this Commonwealth to appoint a Highway Traffic Advisory Committee to the War Department of the United States, to consist of a representative of the Department of Highways, the Department of Revenue and the Pennsylvania Motor Police, for the purpose of advising and assisting the War Department in matters of national defense pertaining to highway transportation and highway transportation equipment, and,

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is vitally concerned in the defense of the nation and the preparation therefor, and,

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the Commonwealth that such defense preparation be carried on with minimum interference with normal civilian functions,

Section 1. There is hereby created the Pennsylvania Highway Traffic Advisory Committee, hereinafter referred to as the "committee", which shall be composed of a representative of the Department of Highways, a representative of the Department of Revenue and a representative of the Pennsylvania State Police, who shall be appointed by the Governor to serve at his pleasure. The Governor shall designate one of its members as chairman. The members of the committee shall receive no additional compensation for their services.

(1 amended Apr. 28, 1943, P.L.102, No.54)

Section 2. The committee shall have the power and its duty shall be--

(a) To cooperate with the agencies of this and other states and of the Federal government which are connected with national defense in the formulation and execution of plans for the rapid and safe movement over the highways of troops, vehicles of a military nature and materials affecting the national defense.

(b) To coordinate the activities of the Department of Highways, the Department of Revenue and the Pennsylvania State Police in a manner which will best serve to effectuate any such plan for the rapid and safe movement of troops, vehicles and materials as referred to in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) To solicit the cooperation of officials of the various political subdivisions of the Commonwealth in the proper execution of such plans.

(d) To take an inventory by counties of the trucks and

busses in the Commonwealth publicly and privately owned which would be available in case of emergency affecting the national defense.

(2 amended Apr. 28, 1943, P.L.102, No.54)

Section 3. The committee may, in conjunction with any interested public or private agency, conduct a highway safety and driver training program as an aid to the national defense.

Section 4. The Department of Highways, the Department of Revenue and the Pennsylvania State Police, with the approval of the Governor, shall cooperate with the committee in the use of such of their employes, facilities, supplies and equipment as the committee, with the approval of the Governor, shall deem necessary to enable it to carry out its functions under this act. The traveling and other expenses of members of the committee and of such employes shall be paid out of the appropriations to the State agencies with which they are associated.

(4 amended Apr. 28, 1943, P.L.102, No.54)

Section 5. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.