Session of 2021 No. 2021-14

HB 110

AN ACT

Amending the act of October 21, 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116), entitled "An act establishing the Hardwoods Development Council; conferring powers and duties upon the council; and making an appropriation," further providing for Hardwoods Development Council.

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

- Section 1. Section 4(a) and (b) of the act of October 21, 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116), known as the Hardwoods Development Council Act, are amended to read: Section 4. Council.
- (a) Composition. -- The Hardwoods Development Council is established within the department. The council shall include[, but not be limited to,] the following [25] 29 members:
 - [Six] Seven members:
 - (i) The Secretary of Agriculture.
 - (ii) The Secretary of Community and Economic Development.
 - (iii) The Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources.
 - (iv) The State Forester.
 - (v) The Secretary of Transportation.(vi) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Rural Development Council.

(vii) The Secretary of Education.

- Four legislative members:
- (i) Two senators, one appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
- (ii) Two representatives, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
- (3) [Fifteen] **Eighteen** public members appointed by the Governor:
 - One representative of an agricultural college from a State-related university.
 - (ii) One representative of the Forest Service of the Federal Department of Agriculture.
 - (iii) One representative of furniture or cabinet manufacturers.
 - (iv) One representative of veneer manufacturers.
 - Two representatives of secondary processors.
 - (vi) [Two] Three representatives of nonprofit corporations which have the purpose to promote and enhance the hardwood industry in this Commonwealth[.],

of which one nonprofit corporation shall Allegheny Hardwood Utilization Group .

(vii) One representative of the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry.

- (viii) One representative of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association.
- (ix) One representative of the Pennsylvania [Hardwood Lumber Manufacturing] Forest Products Association.
- (x) One representative of pulp and paper manufacturers.
 - (xi) One representative of the saw mill operators.
 - (xii) One representative of maple producers.
- (xiii) One representative of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors.

(xiv) One logger.

(xv) One private sector forester.

- (b) Term of office.--
- (1) Members under subsection (a) (1) shall serve as long as they are in office.
- (2) Legislative members under subsection (a)(2) shall serve terms of two years.
- (3) Public members under subsection (a) (3) shall serve the following terms:
 - (i) Public members under subsection (a) (3) (vi) through (ix), (xii) and (xiii) shall serve terms of two years.
 - (ii) Public members under subsection (a) (3) (iii) through (v), (x) [and], (xi), (xiv) and (xv) shall serve terms of three years.
 - (iii) Public members under subsection (a)(3)(i) and (ii) shall serve terms of four years.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED--The 20th day of May, A.D. 2021.

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