AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 2455

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- Amend Bill, page 1, line 25, by striking out "PROCUREMENT AND 1
- 2 DISBURSEMENT" and inserting
- 3 plan and reporting
- 4 Amend Bill, page 2, line 3, by inserting after " \underline{A} "
- 5 _local
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 4, by inserting after "the" 6
- <u>loc</u>al 7
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 8, by inserting after "a" 8
- 9 local
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 14, by inserting after "respective" 10
- 11 <u>local</u>
- 12 Amend Bill, page 2, line 16, by inserting after "A"
- 13 _local
- 14 Amend Bill, page 2, line 23, by inserting after "the"
- 15 local
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 24, by inserting after " \underline{A} " 16
- 17 _local
- 18 Amend Bill, page 3, line 7, by striking out ""Health" and
- 19 inserting
- 20 _"Local health
- 21 Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 13 and 14
- 22 "State laboratory." A State Public Health Laboratory as
- authorized under section 8(d) of the act of April 27, 1905 23
- (P.L.312, No.218), entitled "An act creating a Department of 24
- Health, and defining its powers and duties." 25

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      Amend Bill, page 3, line 18, by striking out "PROCUREMENT AND
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   DISBURSEMENT" and inserting
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                          PLAN AND REPORTING
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      Amend Bill, page 3, lines 26 through 30; page 4, lines 1
   through 30; page 5, lines 1 through 18; by striking out all of
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   said lines on said pages and inserting
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   authorized under section 8(d) of the act of April 27, 1905
   (P.L.312, No.218), entitled "An act creating a Department of
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   Health, and defining its powers and duties.
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   Section 2102-C. COVID-19 testing plan.
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      (a) Submission. -- Consistent with the Paycheck Protection
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   Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (Public Law 116-139),
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   the Governor or an authorized designee shall submit a plan for
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   COVID-19 testing to the Secretary of the United States
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   Department of Health and Human Services.
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       (b) Contents. -- The plan under subsection (a) shall delineate
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   goals, beginning after the effective date of this section, for
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   the remainder of the calendar year 2020, and shall include all
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   of the following:
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          (1) The number of tests needed, month-by-month,
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      including diagnostic, serological and other tests, as
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       appropriate.
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          (2) Month-by-month estimates of laboratory and testing
      capacity, including capacity related to workforce, equipment
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       and supplies and available tests.
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           (3) A description of how the Commonwealth will use
      Federal money appropriated for COVID-19 testing, including as
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      it relates to easing any COVID-19 community mitigation orders
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      issued by the Governor.
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      (c) Approval or acceptance. -- Upon approval or acceptance of
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   a plan under this section, the General Assembly shall
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   appropriate funds for COVID-19 testing as provided under
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   subsections (d) and (e).
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       (d) Use of funding. -- Funds appropriated under subsection (c)
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   may be used for any of the following:
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          (1) Necessary expenses to research, develop, validate,
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      manufacture, purchase, administer and expand capacity for
       COVID-19 tests to effectively monitor and suppress COVID-19,
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      including molecular, antigen and serological tests.
           (2) Manufacturing, procurement and distribution of
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      tests, testing equipment and testing supplies, including
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point-of-care tests and other tests.

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personal protective equipment needed for administering tests.

(3) The development and validation of rapid, molecular

- 1 (5) Scaling up academic, commercial, public health and hospital laboratories, health care facilities and community-2 3 based COVID-19 testing sites. 4 (6) Conducting surveillance and contact tracing. (7) Supporting development of COVID-19 testing plans. 5 (e) Testing prioritization. -- Individuals who serve an 6 essential health and safety function or who are at a high-risk 7 8 of contracting COVID-19 shall be given initial priority to be 9 tested. The following shall also be given priority: (1) Employees of health care providers. 10 11 (2) Staff and residents of nursing home facilities, 12 assisted living residences, personal care homes, hospices and other congregate care settings. 13 (3) Staff and recipients of home care providers, home 14 health care providers, behavioral health care providers, 15 intellectual disability providers and substance abuse 16 17 <u>disorder providers.</u> 18 (4) Emergency service and public safety personnel. 19 (5) Employees of any business or industry deemed 20 essential. 21 (6) Any other category of individuals who serve an 22 essential health and safety function or who are at high-risk 23 of contracting COVID-19. Section 2103-C. COVID-19 testing reporting. 24 25
 - (a) Testing report required.—Beginning on the day after the effective date of this section, and each week thereafter, the Department of Health shall submit a report regarding the department's testing of COVID-19 to the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the Senate, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.
 - (b) Testing report contents. -- The report shall contain a summary of the following information:
 - (1) The technology and supplies procured or acquired by the Commonwealth related to COVID-19 testing.
 - (2) The administrative and operating costs of a State laboratory related to COVID-19 testing.
 - (3) The number and type of completed tests by a State laboratory. This information shall include diagnostic tests and serology tests.
 - (4) The number of positive, false positive, negative and false negative COVID-19 test results from the completed testing under paragraph (3).
 - (5) A description of State laboratory COVID-19 testing limitations, including limitations relating to acquiring reagents or other components of the testing process.
 - (6) Demographic test result data, including age, sex,

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race and ethnicity, as provided under subsection (c). (c) Reporting requirements. -- A health care provider ordering

3 COVID-19 testing shall report, as prescribed by the Department

4 of Health, a patient's self-reported demographic data including age, sex, race and ethnicity.

- (d) Expiration. -- This section shall expire 60 days after the expiration or termination of the proclamation of disaster_
- emergency issued by the Governor on March 6, 2020, published at
- 50 Pa.B. 1644 (March 21, 2020), and any renewal of the disaster
- 10 <u>emergency declaration</u>.

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