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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274),
2 entitled "An act establishing the Pennsylvania Commission on
3 Crime and Delinquency, providing for its powers and duties
4 establishing several advisory committees within the
5 commission and providing for their powers and duties,"
6 establishing the Targeted Community Revitalization and Crime
7 Prevention Advisory Committee and providing for its powers
8 and duties.

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

11 Section 1. Section 1 of the act of November 22, 1978
12 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission
13 on Crime and Delinquency Law, is amended by adding a definition
14 to read:

15 Section 1. Definitions.

16 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
17 have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the
18 meanings given to them in this section:

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20 "Targeted community." A city, township or municipality

currently receiving funding from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to provide support to law enforcement and community partnerships to develop comprehensive, targeted crime prevention efforts and a planning process for the revitalization of high-crime and distressed communities, a city, township or municipality designated by the commission to receive such funding, or a city, township or municipality eligible to seek such funding from the commission under criteria developed by the Targeted Community Revitalization and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee.

Section 2. The act is amended by adding sections to read:

Section 7.1. Targeted Community Revitalization and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee.

(a) Establishment.--There is hereby established the Targeted Community Revitalization and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee within the commission.

(b) Composition.--The committee shall consist of the following members:

(1) The Secretary of Public Welfare.

(2) The Secretary of Community and Economic Development.

(3) The Secretary of Health.

(4) The Secretary of Education.

(5) The Secretary of Labor and Industry.

(6) The Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(7) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

(8) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

(9) The Executive Director of the Governor's Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs.

1 (10) The Executive Director of the Governor's Advisory
2 Commission on African American Affairs.

3 (11) The Executive Director of the Juvenile Court
4 Judges' Commission.

5 (12) The Director of the Governor's Office of Policy
6 Development.

7 (13) The Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police.

8 (14) The chairman of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation
9 and Parole.

10 (15) Two members of the General Assembly, one of whom
11 shall be designated by and serve at the pleasure of the
12 President pro tempore of the Senate and one of whom shall be
13 designated by and serve at the pleasure of the Speaker of the
14 House of Representatives. The members designated by the
15 President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the
16 House of Representatives must have a targeted community in
17 their legislative districts.

18 (16) Seven members who are located in or serve a
19 targeted community, appointed by the Governor, one
20 representative of local law enforcement agencies, one
21 district attorney representative, one representative of
22 county commissioners, one representative of community and
23 economic development agencies, one representative of crime
24 prevention agencies, one representative of a community-based
25 organization and one representative of a faith-based
26 organization.

27 (17) Five private citizens appointed by the Governor,
28 all of whom reside in a targeted community.

29 (18) Such additional members appointed by the Governor,
30 all of whom shall have experience and involvement in

1 community revitalization and crime prevention efforts.

2 (c) Number and qualifications.--The committee shall consist
3 of no fewer than 25 members or more than 30 members, all of whom
4 shall have had training or experience in law enforcement, social
5 services, community revitalization or economic development.

6 (d) Conditions of appointment.--The committee and its
7 members are subject to the same limitations and conditions
8 imposed upon the commission as prescribed in section 2(d), (e),
9 (h), (m) and (n).

10 (e) Quorum.--A majority of the members shall constitute a
11 quorum, and a vote of the majority of the members present shall
12 be sufficient for all actions.

13 (f) Chairman.--The Governor shall appoint a chairman from
14 among the members of the committee who shall serve at the
15 pleasure of the Governor. A vice chairman shall be designated by
16 the chairman and preside at meetings in the absence of the
17 chairman. The committee shall meet at the call of the chairman,
18 but not less than four times a year.

19 Section 7.2. Powers and duties of Targeted Community
20 Revitalization and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee.

21 (a) Powers and duties.--The Targeted Community
22 Revitalization and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee shall
23 have the power and its duty shall be to:

24 (1) Serve in an advisory capacity to the commission
25 through the committee's participation in the development of
26 that part of the commission's comprehensive plan relating to
27 targeted crime prevention efforts and the revitalization of
28 targeted communities.

29 (2) Serve in an advisory capacity to the commission on
30 those functions related to the direct approval and

1 disbursement of financial assistance. The committee shall
2 have the opportunity to review and comment on applications
3 after their receipt from the commission.

4 (3) Advise the commission on the definition, development
5 and correlation of programs and projects and the
6 establishment of priorities for supporting law enforcement
7 and community partnerships developing comprehensive, targeted
8 crime prevention efforts and a planning process for the
9 revitalization of high-crime and distressed communities.

10 (4) Develop standards, methods and procedures for
11 evaluating and monitoring services and programs for crime
12 prevention efforts and the revitalization of targeted
13 communities.

14 (5) Provide assistance and advice requested by the
15 commission on any other matters relating to the crime
16 prevention efforts and the revitalization of targeted
17 communities.

18 (6) Submit to the Governor and the General Assembly
19 reports as may be required by Federal and State law.

20 (b) Staff support.--Staff support shall be made available to
21 the committee by the executive director of the commission in
22 order for the committee to adequately perform the duties
23 provided for in this section.

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