
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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M. O'BRIEN, PRESTON, SANTONI, STURLA AND WHITE,
FEBRUARY 4, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, FEBRUARY 4, 2011

AN ACT

1 Changing the name of the Department of Public Welfare; and
2 providing for transition period.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Public
7 Welfare Redesignation Act.

8 Section 2. Redesignation.

9 The Department of Public Welfare shall be known as the
10 Department of Human Services.

11 Section 3. Implementation.

12 A reference to the Department of Public Welfare in a statute
13 or a regulation shall be deemed a reference to the Department of
14 Human Services.

15 Section 4. Transition period.

16 In order to provide an efficient and cost-minimizing

1 transition, changing the name of the department on stationery,
2 signage and publications may be done over a two-year period and
3 shall be coordinated with changes in administration.

4 Section 10. Effective date.

5 This act shall take effect immediately.