

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 16, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for organization of commission.

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

5 Section 1. Section 301(a) and (c) of Title 34 of the
6 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

7 § 301. Organization of commission.

8 (a) Composition.--The independent administrative commission
9 known as the Pennsylvania Game Commission shall consist of eight
10 competent citizens of this Commonwealth who shall be well
11 informed on the subject of wildlife conservation and restoration
12 and who shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the
13 advice and consent of [two-thirds] a majority of the elected
14 members of the Senate.

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16 (c) Term of office and compensation.--The members of the

1 commission shall hold office for terms of [eight years each and
2 may continue to hold office for a period of time not to exceed
3 six months or] four years and until a successor is appointed and
4 qualified. [, whichever occurs first. A member of the commission
5 appointed to fill a vacancy for a period of four years or less
6 may be eligible for appointment to a full eight-year term. A
7 member of the commission who serves a full eight-year term or
8 fills a vacancy for a period of more than four years shall not
9 be eligible for reappointment to the commission until a period
10 of eight years expires.] Commissioners shall receive no
11 compensation for their services, but may be reimbursed for
12 travel expenses.

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14 SECTION 2. THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY: <--

15 (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2), THE
16 AMENDMENT OF 34 PA.C.S. § 301(A) AND (C) SHALL APPLY TO
17 MEMBERS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION WHO ARE APPOINTED
18 ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

19 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1), A MEMBER OF THE
20 PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION WHO SERVES A FULL EIGHT-YEAR
21 TERM OR FILLS A VACANCY FOR A PERIOD OF MORE THAN FOUR YEARS
22 SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE COMMISSION AT ANY
23 TIME.

24 Section ~~2~~ 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days. <--