## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1069 Session of 2015

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## AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the 2 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the 3 Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, 5 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 6 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 7 8 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and 9 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 10 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive 12 13 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of 14 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 15 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, 16 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the 17 number and compensation of the deputies and all other 18 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 19 20 commissions shall be determined," in powers and duties in general, further providing for departmental reports. 21 22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 23 hereby enacts as follows: 24 Section 1. Section 504 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended to 26 read:
- 27 Section 504. Departmental Reports.--(a) The head of each

- 1 administrative department and each independent administrative
- 2 board and commission shall, not later than October first of each
- 3 even-numbered year, report in writing to the Governor concerning
- 4 the condition, management, and financial transactions, of the
- 5 department, board, or commission; such reports shall, except
- 6 where impracticable, be for the two-year period ending May
- 7 thirty-first of the year in which they are made. Each
- 8 departmental administrative board and commission, and each
- 9 advisory board and commission, shall, not later than September
- 10 first of each even-numbered year, report in writing to the head
- 11 of the department of which such board or commission is a part.
- 12 All such reports shall be attached as exhibits to the report
- 13 made by the head of the department to the Governor.
- 14 (b) The head of each administrative department and each
- 15 independent administrative board and commission shall, not later
- 16 than May thirty-first of each year, report in writing to the
- 17 General Assembly outlining the steps the department, board, or
- 18 commission has taken over the previous year to streamline and
- 19 consolidate overall operations to make them more cost effective
- 20 and efficient, including an examination of existing programs,
- 21 <u>structures</u>, and functions to determine whether they effectively
- 22 <u>and efficiently achieved their mission. Each departmental</u>
- 23 <u>administrative board and commission</u>, and each advisory board and
- 24 commission, shall, not later than April thirtieth of each year,
- 25 report in writing to the head of the department of which such
- 26 board or commission is a part. All such reports shall be
- 27 <u>attached as exhibits to the report made by the head of the</u>
- 28 <u>department to the General Assembly.</u>
- 29 <u>(c)</u> Except as otherwise in this act specifically provided,
- 30 the reports required by this section shall be in lieu of all

- 1 other reports heretofore required by law to be made by the
- 2 several administrative departments, boards, and commissions,
- 3 either to the Governor or to the General Assembly.
- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.