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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, APRIL 12, 2017

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in Pennsylvania Game Commission, further providing  
3 for organization of commission and for powers and duties of  
4 commission.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Sections 301(a) and 322(b) of Title 34 of the  
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 301. Organization of commission.

10 (a) Composition.--The independent administrative commission  
11 known as the Pennsylvania Game Commission shall consist of eight  
12 competent citizens of this Commonwealth who shall be well  
13 informed on the subject of wildlife conservation and  
14 restoration, who are not current or former employees or deputy  
15 conservation officers of the commission and who shall be  
16 appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of  
17 a majority of the elected members of the Senate.

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19 § 322. Powers and duties of commission.

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2 (b) General powers and duties.--The commission has the power  
3 and duty to take all actions necessary for the administration  
4 and enforcement of this title. In all wildlife management  
5 decisions, the commissioners shall be guided by the principles  
6 of best management practices utilizing scientific analysis  
7 supported by verifiable data with equal regard for the social,  
8 economic and recreational impacts of the commissioners'  
9 decisions.

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11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.