
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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ZIMMERMAN, DECEMBER 18, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,
DECEMBER 18, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 21, 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116),
2 entitled "An act establishing the Hardwoods Development
3 Council; conferring powers and duties upon the council; and
4 making an appropriation," further providing for Hardwoods
5 Development Council.

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

8 Section 1. Section 4(a) of the act of October 21, 1988
9 (P.L.1036, No.116), known as the Hardwoods Development Council
10 Act, is amended to read:

11 Section 4. Council.

12 (a) Composition.--The Hardwoods Development Council is
13 established within the department. The council shall include[,
14 but not be limited to,] the following [25] 27 members:

15 (1) Six members:

16 (i) The Secretary of Agriculture.

17 (ii) The Secretary of Community and Economic
18 Development.

1 (iii) The Secretary of Conservation and Natural
2 Resources.

3 (iv) The State Forester.

4 (v) The Secretary of Transportation.

5 (vi) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania
6 Rural Development Council.

7 (2) Four legislative members:

8 (i) Two senators, one appointed by the President pro
9 tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority
10 Leader of the Senate.

11 (ii) Two representatives, one appointed by the
12 Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed
13 by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

14 (3) [~~Fifteen~~] Seventeen public members appointed by the
15 Governor:

16 (i) One representative of an agricultural college
17 from a State-related university.

18 (ii) One representative of the Forest Service of the
19 Federal Department of Agriculture.

20 (iii) One representative of furniture manufacturers.

21 (iv) One representative of veneer manufacturers.

22 (v) [~~Two representatives~~] One representative of
23 secondary processors.

24 (vi) [~~Two~~] Three representatives of nonprofit
25 corporations which have the purpose to promote and
26 enhance the hardwood industry in this Commonwealth[.], of
27 which one nonprofit corporation shall include the
28 Allegheny National Forest.

29 (vii) One representative of the Pennsylvania Chamber
30 of Business and Industry.

1 (viii) One representative of the Pennsylvania
2 Forestry Association.

3 (ix) One representative of the Pennsylvania
4 [Hardwood Lumber Manufacturing] Forest Products
5 Association.

6 (x) One representative of pulp and paper
7 manufacturers.

8 (xi) One representative of the saw mill operators.

9 (xii) One representative of maple producers.

10 (xiii) One representative of the Pennsylvania State
11 Association of Township Supervisors.

12 (xiv) One logger.

13 (xv) One forester.

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