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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled  
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the  
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the  
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative  
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,  
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or  
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or  
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative  
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and  
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative  
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,  
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the  
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive  
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of  
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and  
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,  
17 and commissions; providing for judicial administration; and  
18 prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation  
19 of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of  
20 certain departments, boards and commissions shall be  
21 determined," providing for COVID-19 emergency statutory and  
22 regulatory suspensions and waivers reporting requirements.

23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
24 hereby enacts as follows:

25 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known  
26 as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding an  
27 article to read:

28 ARTICLE XXI-C

COVID-19 EMERGENCY STATUTORY AND  
REGULATORY SUSPENSIONS AND WAIVERS  
REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Section 2101-C. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this article shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Order." Any of the following:

(1) the declaration of disaster emergency issued by the Governor on March 6, 2020, published at 50 Pa.B. 1644 (March 21, 2020); or

(2) a declaration of disaster emergency relating to the novel coronavirus known as "COVID-19" which is issued after March 6, 2020.

Section 2102-C. Notification required.

(a) Suspensions, modifications and waivers requiring modification.--The Office of the Governor shall notify the individuals under subsection (c) no later than provided under subsection (b) when a specific statute or regulation is suspended, modified or waived under the authority of the order or when a specific statute or regulation is first treated as being suspended, modified or waived under a blanket suspension, modification or waiver under the order. A notification under this paragraph shall, at minimum, notify the individuals of the following:

(1) Any provision of regulatory statute or regulation suspended or modified under 35 Pa.C.S. Ch. 73 Subch. A (relating to the Governor and disaster emergencies) under the order.

(2) Any provision of law or regulation suspended by the

1 Secretary of Health under the order.

2 (3) Any provision of law or regulation suspended or  
3 waived by the Secretary of Education under the order.

4 (4) Any laws or Federal or State regulations related to  
5 the drivers of commercial vehicles waived or suspended by the  
6 Department of Transportation under the order.

7 (b) Timeline for notification.--The following shall apply:

8 (1) An initial notification under this section shall be  
9 made within two days of the effective date of this article  
10 and shall include notifications of all suspensions,  
11 modifications and waivers under subsection (a) which occurred  
12 prior to the effective date of this article.

13 (2) A notification under this section other than an  
14 initial report under paragraph (1) shall be made within one  
15 day of the suspension, modification or waiver under  
16 subsection (a).

17 (c) Individuals to be notified.--A notification required to  
18 be issued under this section shall be sent in writing by  
19 electronic means to the President pro tempore of the Senate, the  
20 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of  
21 the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Majority  
22 Leader of the House of Representatives and the Minority Leader  
23 of the House of Representatives.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.