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 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA
 

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# HOUSE BILL

No. **2418** Session of  
2020

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INTRODUCED BY O'NEAL AND RYAN, APRIL 17, 2020

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SENATOR HUTCHINSON, FINANCE, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, JUNE 8, 2020

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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," IN ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE <--  
 22 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND OF ADVISORY BOARDS AND  
 23 COMMISSIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR STATE GEOSPATIAL  
 24 COORDINATING BOARD; AND providing for COVID-19 debt cost  
 25 reduction review.

26 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
 27 hereby enacts as follows:

28 ~~Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known <--~~  
 29 ~~as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding an~~

1 ~~article to read:~~

2 SECTION 1. SECTION 432.1(B) (1) (VII) AND (VIII) AND (J) OF <--  
3 THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.177, NO.175), KNOWN AS THE  
4 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929, ARE AMENDED, SUBSECTION (B) (1) IS  
5 AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBPARAGRAPH AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY  
6 ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:

7 SECTION 432.1. STATE GEOSPATIAL COORDINATING BOARD.--\* \* \*

8 (B) (1) THE STATE GEOSPATIAL COORDINATING BOARD SHALL  
9 CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

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11 (VI.1) THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE OR A DESIGNEE.

12 (VII) THREE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE  
13 OF THE SENATE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAJORITY LEADER AND  
14 MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A  
15 REPRESENTATIVE OF A MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY. [ONE MEMBER] TWO  
16 MEMBERS SHALL BE [AN ELECTED] LOCAL GOVERNMENT [OFFICIAL  
17 REPRESENTING A RURAL COMMUNITY. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE AN ELECTED  
18 LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL REPRESENTING A SUBURBAN COMMUNITY]  
19 OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES.

20 (VIII) THREE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE  
21 OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAJORITY LEADER AND  
22 MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. ONE MEMBER  
23 SHALL BE A LOCAL [ELECTED] GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE  
24 REPRESENTING AN URBAN COMMUNITY. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE AN EMPLOYEE  
25 OF A COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE AN  
26 INDIVIDUAL WITH EXPERTISE IN GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY.

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28 (F.1) THE BOARD MAY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR,  
29 APPOINT AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WHO SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF  
30 THE BOARD. THE SELECTION AND REMOVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1 SHALL BE MADE BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE  
2 BOARD THAT CONSTITUTE A QUORUM. COMPENSATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE  
3 DIRECTOR SHALL BE SET BY A VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD  
4 MEMBERS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION (B) (1) (I), (II), (III), (IV),  
5 (V), (VI) AND (VI.1), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE  
6 BOARD. FUNDING FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMPENSATION SHALL  
7 BE EVENLY APPORTIONED AMONGST ALL OF THE COMMONWEALTH AGENCIES  
8 REPRESENTED BY MEMBERS IN SUBSECTION (B) (1) (I), (II), (III),  
9 (IV), (V), (VI) AND (VI.1) AND ADMINISTERED BY THE GOVERNOR'S  
10 BUDGET OFFICE. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE QUALIFIED FOR THE  
11 DUTIES OF THE POSITION, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, AND SHALL  
12 CONDUCT THE WORK OF THE BOARD UNDER THE BOARD'S DIRECTION AND  
13 SUPERVISION. NO CURRENT MEMBER OF THE BOARD MAY SERVE AS THE  
14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENT SHALL  
15 NOT CONTINUE BEYOND THE EXPIRATION OF THIS SECTION. THE  
16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME POLICIES AND  
17 PROCEDURES AS EMPLOYEES OF THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

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19 (J) THIS SECTION SHALL EXPIRE JUNE 30, [2020] 2024.

20 SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING AN ARTICLE TO READ:

21 ARTICLE XXI-C

22 COVID-19 DEBT COST REDUCTION REVIEW

23 Section 2101-C. Review of refinancing opportunities.

24 The Treasury Department, in conjunction with the Secretary of  
25 the Budget, the Auditor General and any chairperson of an  
26 authority, commission, agency, OR board or other State <--  
27 authorized entity that has the power to issue debt, shall  
28 identify and review all outstanding debt obligations of the  
29 Commonwealth and its authorities, commissions, agencies, OR <--  
30 boards or other State authorized entities and submit a report of <--

1 the findings to the General Assembly no later than ~~June~~ OCTOBER <--  
2 30, 2020. In addition to the identification and review of all  
3 outstanding debt obligations, the report shall identify options  
4 for the refinancing of the outstanding debt obligations to  
5 reduce the costs to the Commonwealth and its authorities. EACH <--  
6 AGENCY IDENTIFIED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE TO THE  
7 TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF  
8 THIS SECTION, INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
9 INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING, RELATED TO ALL OUTSTANDING DEBT  
10 OBLIGATIONS OF THE AGENCY:  
11 (1) TOTAL OUTSTANDING AMOUNT OF ALL OBLIGATIONS.  
12 (2) MOST RECENT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE  
13 AGENCY.  
14 (3) DESCRIPTION OF EACH OBLIGATION, IDENTIFYING SENIOR  
15 OR SUBORDINATE DEBT AND FEDERAL TAX TREATMENT.  
16 (4) ACCOUNT OF ALL SECURITY PLEDGED FOR EACH OBLIGATION.  
17 (5) MOST RECENT RATING ASSOCIATED WITH EACH DEBT  
18 OBLIGATION, INCLUDING RATE COVENANT AND MATURITY DATE.  
19 (6) LIST OF ALL ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATED AGENCY OBLIGATIONS  
20 OR COVENANTS.  
21 (7) ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE COST, DEBT SERVICE FUND AND DEBT  
22 SERVICE RESERVE FUND FOR EACH DEBT OBLIGATION.  
23 (8) RISK FACTORS AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS ASSOCIATED  
24 WITH EACH DEBT OBLIGATION.  
25 (9) PENDING LITIGATION THAT MAY FINANCIALLY IMPACT THE  
26 DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE AGENCY.  
27 Section 2 3. This act shall take effect immediately. <--