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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, JANUARY 11, 2021

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) and (b) of the act of October 21,
 9 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116), known as the Hardwoods Development
 10 Council Act, are 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] 29 members:

15 (1) [Six] Seven 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 (vii) The Secretary of Education.

8 (2) Four legislative members:

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

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

15 (3) [~~Fifteen~~] Eighteen public members appointed by the
16 Governor:

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

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

21 (iii) One representative of furniture or cabinet
22 manufacturers.

23 (iv) One representative of veneer manufacturers.

24 (v) Two representatives of secondary processors.

25 (vi) [~~Two~~] Three representatives of nonprofit
26 corporations which have the purpose to promote and
27 enhance the hardwood industry in this Commonwealth[.], of
28 which one nonprofit corporation shall be the Allegheny
29 Hardwood Utilization Group.

30 (vii) One representative of the Pennsylvania Chamber

1 of Business and Industry.

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

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

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

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

10 (xii) One representative of maple producers.

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

13 (xiv) One logger.

14 (xv) One private sector forester.

15 (b) Term of office.--

16 (1) Members under subsection (a)(1) shall serve as long
17 as they are in office.

18 (2) Legislative members under subsection (a)(2) shall
19 serve terms of two years.

20 (3) Public members under subsection (a)(3) shall serve
21 the following terms:

22 (i) Public members under subsection (a)(3)(vi)
23 through (ix), (xii) and (xiii) shall serve terms of two
24 years.

25 (ii) Public members under subsection (a)(3)(iii)
26 through (v), (x) [and], (xi), (xiv) and (xv) shall serve
27 terms of three years.

28 (iii) Public members under subsection (a)(3)(i) and
29 (ii) shall serve terms of four years.

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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.