

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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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 Independent Fiscal Office, further providing
 22 for definitions and for duties of office.

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

25 Section 1. Section 602-B of the act of April 9, 1929
 26 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is
 27 amended by adding a definition to read:

28 Section 602-B. Definitions.

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

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5 "Critical risk factor." Any element of risk of sufficient
6 magnitude which, if not dealt with, may negatively affect the
7 ability of the State to continue to meet financial obligations.

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9 Section 2. Section 604-B(a)(2) of the act is amended and the
10 subsection is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

11 Section 604-B. Duties of office.

12 (a) Mandatory.--The office shall:

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14 (2) By November 15 of each year, provide an assessment
15 of the State's current fiscal condition and a projection of
16 what the fiscal condition will be during the next five years.
17 The assessment shall take into account the state of the
18 economy, demographics, revenues [and], expenditures and
19 critical risk factors of importance for the financial well-
20 being of the State.

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22 (9) Compile information to track money distributed by
23 the Federal Government to entities within this Commonwealth
24 under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
25 (Public Law 116-136, 134 Stat. 281) that was not received
26 directly by or originally deposited into an account of the
27 Commonwealth or an agency of the Commonwealth. The office
28 shall regularly provide this information to the chairperson
29 and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of
30 the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of

1 the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.
2 The office shall post this information on the office's
3 publicly available Internet website. This paragraph shall
4 expire on December 31, 2021.

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6 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.