

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED,  
MAY 25, 2022

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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 United States Semiquincentennial, providing  
22 for infrastructure improvements and projects.

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

1 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known  
2 as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding a  
3 section to read:

4 Section 2808.1-I. Infrastructure improvements and projects.

5 (a) Committee.--A committee is established within the  
6 commission to review and select infrastructure improvements and  
7 projects under section 2807-I(2).

8 (b) Membership.--The following shall apply:

9 (1) The committee shall consist of the following  
10 members:

11 (i) ~~Ten~~ TWELVE members of the Senate, of whom: <--

12 (A) ~~Five~~ SIX shall be appointed by the Majority <--  
13 Leader of the Senate.

14 (B) ~~Five~~ SIX shall be appointed by the Minority <--  
15 Leader of the Senate.

16 (ii) ~~Ten~~ TWELVE members of the House of <--  
17 Representatives, of whom:

18 (A) ~~Five~~ SIX shall be appointed by the Speaker <--  
19 of the House of Representatives.

20 (B) ~~Five~~ SIX shall be appointed by the Minority <--  
21 Leader of the House of Representatives.

22 (2) To the extent possible, each member under paragraph  
23 (1) shall be chosen in accordance with the following  
24 guidelines:

25 (i) one member from each political party from the  
26 southeastern region;

27 (ii) one member from each political party from the  
28 northeastern region;

29 (iii) one member from each political party from the  
30 ~~Northern Tier or central region~~ NORTHCENTRAL REGION; <--

1           (IV) ONE MEMBER FROM EACH POLITICAL PARTY FROM THE <--  
2           SOUTHCENTRAL REGION;  
3           ~~(iv)~~ (V) one member from each political party from <--  
4           the northwestern region; and  
5           ~~(v)~~ (VI) one member from each political party from <--  
6           the western or southwestern region.  
7           (3) Section 2814-I shall apply to members of the  
8           committee.  
9           (c) Selection process.--The committee shall: <--  
10           (1) THE COMMITTEE SHALL: <--  
11           ~~(1) Meet within 30 days of the effective date of this~~ <--  
12           section  
13           (I) NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2022, MEET to <--  
14           schedule a series of meetings and hearings in each  
15           geographic region.  
16           ~~(2)~~ (II) Choose infrastructure improvements and <--  
17           projects in each region that shall be completed by  
18           January 31, 2026. The following shall apply:  
19           ~~(i)~~ (A) Each infrastructure improvement or <--  
20           project shall be a legacy project that allows each  
21           region to secure funding for one or multiple  
22           improvements or projects that help the region welcome  
23           the rest of the nation and the world to this  
24           Commonwealth during the United States  
25           Semiquincentennial.  
26           ~~(ii)~~ (B) The committee shall approve <--  
27           infrastructure improvements and projects that have a  
28           lasting legacy for future generations of  
29           Pennsylvanians.  
30           ~~(3)~~ (III) Consider infrastructure improvements and <--

1 projects that will be funded by Federal infrastructure  
2 dollars.

3 ~~(4)~~ (IV) Complete the selection of infrastructure <--  
4 improvements and projects by December 31, 2022 2023. <--

5 ~~(5)~~ (V) Inform the public of merit-worthy <--  
6 infrastructure improvements and projects through a series  
7 of public hearings, with at least two public hearings in  
8 each region. The hearings shall provide an opportunity  
9 for stakeholders, including nonprofit organizations, art  
10 and history organizations, religious leaders, elected  
11 officials, civic leaders and members of the community, to  
12 identify infrastructure improvements and projects that  
13 will best position the region for the United States  
14 Semiquincentennial.

15 ~~(6)~~ (2) For purposes of this subsection, the term <--  
16 "geographic region" means a region of this Commonwealth in  
17 which members are selected under subsection (b) (2).

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