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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, NOVEMBER 16, 2021

AN ACT

1 Providing for COVID-19 testing; and making an inconsistent
2 repeal.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the COVID-19
7 Testing Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

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

12 "COVID-19." A respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2
13 virus discovered in 2019.

14 "Department." The Department of Health of the Commonwealth.

15 "REPORTING REQUIREMENTS." A REPORT BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER <--
16 DESCRIBED UNDER SECTION 2102-D(D) OF THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929
17 (P.L.177, NO.175), KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929.

1 "Testing report." A testing report described under section
2 2102-D(b) and (c) of ~~the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175),~~ <--
3 ~~known as~~ The Administrative Code of 1929.

4 Section 3. ~~Production requirements~~ REQUIREMENTS for COVID-19 <--
5 ~~testing~~ reports. <--

6 Notwithstanding section 2102-D(e) of the act of April 9, 1929
7 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, the
8 production requirements for a COVID-19 testing report AND THE <--
9 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS shall be extended until December 31,
10 2022. The department shall submit the testing report to all of
11 the following:

- 12 (1) The President pro tempore of the Senate.
- 13 (2) The Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 14 (3) The Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the
15 Senate.
- 16 (4) The Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the House
17 of Representatives.
- 18 (5) The chairperson and minority chairperson of the
19 Appropriations Committee of the Senate.
- 20 (6) The chairperson and minority chairperson of the
21 Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.
- 22 (7) The chairperson and minority chairperson of the
23 Health and Human Services Committee of the Senate.
- 24 (8) The chairperson and minority chairperson of the
25 Health Committee of the House of Representatives.

26 Section 4. Repeals.

27 Section 2102-D(e) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
28 No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is repealed
29 insofar as it is inconsistent with section 3.

30 Section 5. Expiration.

1 This act shall expire December 31, 2022.

2 Section 6. Effective date.

3 This act shall take effect immediately.