

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 450 Session of
2021INTRODUCED BY YAW, ARGALL, VOGEL, PITTMAN, MENSCH, GORDNER,
BAKER AND STEFANO, APRIL 9, 2021AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 8, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 30, 1987 (P.L.163, No.16), entitled "An
 2 act providing for the revitalization of rural Pennsylvania;
 3 establishing the Center for Rural Pennsylvania; providing for
 4 rural education partnerships and adult literacy programs;
 5 allocating funds appropriated to the Department of Commerce
 6 for a Regional Center for Continuing Education of Health
 7 Science Practitioners in western Pennsylvania; making
 8 appropriations; and making a repeal," in Center for Rural
 9 Pennsylvania, further providing for board of directors; AND <--
 10 MAKING A REPEAL.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 302(a) of the act of June 30, 1987
 14 (P.L.163, No.16), known as the Rural Pennsylvania Revitalization
 15 Act, is amended to read:

16 Section 302. Board of directors.

17 (a) Members.--The Center for Rural Pennsylvania shall be
 18 ~~governed by a board of directors which shall consist of 11~~ <--
 19 ~~members. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall~~
 20 ~~appoint two members from the House of Representatives, one from~~
 21 ~~the majority party and one from the minority party. The~~

1 ~~President pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint two members~~
2 ~~from the Senate, one from the majority party and one from the~~
3 ~~minority party. Two members shall be representatives of~~
4 ~~universities in the State System of Higher Education. [One~~
5 ~~member]~~ ~~Two members shall be from The Pennsylvania State~~
6 ~~University, one of whom shall be from the Penn State Extension.~~
7 ~~One member shall be from the University of Pittsburgh. [One~~
8 ~~member shall be the Director of the Northeast Regional Center~~
9 ~~for Rural Development.]~~ ~~The Governor shall appoint two members~~
10 ~~from among the memberships of the following Statewide~~
11 ~~organizations: Pennsylvania Rural Electric Association,~~
12 ~~Pennsylvania Grange Association and the Pennsylvania Farm~~
13 ~~Bureau.~~

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15 GOVERNED BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHICH SHALL CONSIST OF [11
16 MEMBERS.] MEMBERS APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS:

17 (1) THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL
18 APPOINT TWO MEMBERS FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ONE
19 FROM THE MAJORITY PARTY AND ONE FROM THE MINORITY PARTY.

20 (2) THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE SHALL
21 APPOINT TWO MEMBERS FROM THE SENATE, ONE FROM THE MAJORITY
22 PARTY AND ONE FROM THE MINORITY PARTY.

23 (3) TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE REPRESENTATIVES OF UNIVERSITIES
24 IN THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION. [ONE MEMBER]

25 (4) TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE
26 UNIVERSITY[.], ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE FROM PENN STATE
27 EXTENSION.

28 (5) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
29 PITTSBURGH. [ONE MEMBER SHALL BE THE DIRECTOR OF THE
30 NORTHEAST REGIONAL CENTER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT.]

1 (6) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT TWO MEMBERS FROM AMONG
2 THE MEMBERSHIPS OF THE FOLLOWING STATEWIDE ORGANIZATIONS:
3 PENNSYLVANIA RURAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, PENNSYLVANIA [GRANGE
4 ASSOCIATION] STATE GRANGE AND THE PENNSYLVANIA FARM BUREAU.

5 (7) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE FROM THE NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIA
6 REGIONAL COLLEGE.

7 (8) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF
8 TECHNOLOGY.

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10 SECTION 2. REPEALS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

11 (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT THE REPEAL UNDER
12 PARAGRAPH (2) IS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE ADDITION OF
13 SECTION 302 (A) (7) AND (8) OF THE ACT.

14 (2) SECTION 311 OF THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
15 NO.175), KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929, IS
16 REPEALED.

17 SECTION 3. THE ADDITION OF SECTION 302 (A) (7) AND (8) OF THE
18 ACT IS A CONTINUATION OF SECTION 311 OF THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929
19 (P.L.177, NO.175), KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929.
20 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE ADDITION OF SECTION 302 (A)
21 (7) OR (8) OF THE ACT, ALL ACTIVITIES INITIATED UNDER SECTION
22 311 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929 SHALL CONTINUE AND REMAIN
23 IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AND MAY BE COMPLETED UNDER SECTION
24 302 (A) (7) OR (8) OF THE ACT. ORDERS, REGULATIONS, RULES AND
25 DECISIONS WHICH WERE MADE UNDER SECTION 311 OF THE
26 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929 AND IN EFFECT ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE
27 OF SECTION 2 (2) OF THIS ACT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND
28 EFFECT UNTIL REVOKED, VACATED OR MODIFIED UNDER SECTION 302 (A)
29 (7) OR (8) OF THE ACT. CONTRACTS, OBLIGATIONS AND COLLECTIVE
30 BARGAINING AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO UNDER SECTION 311 OF THE

1 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929 ARE NOT AFFECTED NOR IMPAIRED BY THE
2 REPEAL OF SECTION 311 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1929.

3 Section ~~2~~ 4. This act shall take effect ~~in 60 days~~ <--
4 IMMEDIATELY. <--