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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 21, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 14, 1992 (P.L.818, No.133),  
2 entitled "An act establishing the Port of Pittsburgh  
3 Commission; providing for its powers and duties; and making a  
4 repeal," further providing for commission and governing body.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 3(b)(2) of the act of December 14, 1992  
8 (P.L.818, No.133), known as the Port of Pittsburgh Commission  
9 Act, is amended and the subsection is amended by adding  
10 paragraphs to read:

11 Section 3. Commission and governing body.

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13 (b) Governing body.--

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15 [(2) The governing body shall be composed of 15 members  
16 who shall be appointed in the following manner and who shall  
17 be residents of this Commonwealth and serve at the pleasure  
18 of their respective appointing authority:

19 (i) One member shall be appointed by the President

1 pro tempore of the Senate for a term concurrent with the  
2 term of such appointing authority.

3 (ii) One member shall be appointed by the Minority  
4 Leader of the Senate for a term concurrent with the term  
5 of such appointing authority.

6 (iii) One member shall be appointed by the Speaker  
7 of the House of Representatives for a term concurrent  
8 with the term of such appointing authority.

9 (iv) One member shall be appointed by the Minority  
10 Leader of the House of Representatives for a term  
11 concurrent with the term of such appointing authority.

12 (v) Four members initially appointed by the Governor  
13 for terms of one, two, three and four years,  
14 respectively, provided that their respective successors  
15 shall each be appointed for a term of four years. The  
16 initial term of each member shall be designated by the  
17 Governor at the time of appointment.

18 (vi) Seven members appointed by the Governor for a  
19 term of four years, provided that one member shall be  
20 appointed from each list of at least three nominees  
21 submitted to the Governor respectively by the Waterways  
22 Association of Pittsburgh, the River Terminal Operator's  
23 Association, the Association for the Development of  
24 Inland Navigation in America's Ohio Valley and the county  
25 commissioners jointly of those counties within the port  
26 district which are not members of the Southwestern  
27 Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission; and three  
28 members shall be appointed from a list of at least five  
29 nominees submitted to the Governor by the Southwestern  
30 Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission. Each list

1 shall be submitted to the Governor within 30 days of the  
2 effective date of this act, and the Governor shall select  
3 a member from each list within 30 days of receipt of each  
4 list or else may request one substitute list of nominees  
5 from any entity who prepares a list. If each entity  
6 permitted to submit a list fails to submit a list of  
7 nominees within 30 days of the effective date of this act  
8 or fails to submit a substitute list within 30 days of  
9 receipt of a request to do so, the Governor may appoint  
10 at his discretion such member or members for which a list  
11 of nominees was not submitted. Whenever a vacancy occurs  
12 prior to the completion of the term of office of a member  
13 appointed pursuant to this paragraph, the entity which  
14 prepared the list for the board member whose seat has  
15 become vacant shall submit a list of nominees to replace  
16 that member to the Governor who shall select a person to  
17 fill the vacancy in the manner provided for in this  
18 paragraph for the selection of original appointments.]

19 (2.1) The governing body shall be composed of the  
20 following members, who must be individuals 18 years of age or  
21 older and residents of this Commonwealth, who shall serve at  
22 the pleasure of the respective appointing authority, and who  
23 shall be appointed in the following manner:

24 (i) Four members appointed by the Governor for a  
25 term of four years.

26 (ii) Three members appointed by the Governor from a  
27 list of at least five nominees submitted to the Governor  
28 by the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning  
29 Commission for a term of two years and until reappointed  
30 or a successor is appointed.

1           (iii) One member appointed by the Governor from a  
2 list of at least three nominees submitted to the Governor  
3 by the Port of Pittsburgh Commission board for a term of  
4 two years and until reappointed or a successor is  
5 appointed.

6           (iv) One member appointed by the President pro  
7 tempore of the Senate for a term concurrent with the term  
8 of the appointing authority.

9           (v) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House  
10 of Representatives for a term concurrent with the term of  
11 the appointing authority.

12           (vi) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of  
13 the Senate for a term concurrent with the term of the  
14 appointing authority.

15           (vii) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of  
16 the House of Representatives for a term concurrent with  
17 the term of the appointing authority.

18           (viii) One member nominated by the Port of  
19 Pittsburgh Executive Committee and appointed by the Port  
20 of Pittsburgh Commission board for a term of two years  
21 and until reappointed or a successor is appointed.

22           (2.2) If each entity permitted to submit a list under  
23 paragraph (2.1) fails to submit a list of nominees within 30  
24 days of the effective date of this paragraph or fails to  
25 submit a substitute list within 30 days of receipt of a  
26 request to do so, the Governor may appoint the member or  
27 members for which a list of nominees was not submitted.  
28 Whenever a vacancy occurs prior to the completion of the term  
29 of office of a member appointed under this paragraph, the  
30 entity which prepared the list for the board member whose

1 seat has become vacant shall submit a list of nominees to  
2 replace that member to the Governor, and the Governor shall  
3 select a person to fill the vacancy in the manner provided  
4 for in this paragraph for the selection of original  
5 appointments.

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