

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1540

Sponsor: SENATOR K. WARD

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 10 through 13, by striking out all
2 of said lines and inserting

3 Section 1. Section 1549.1(f) and (m) introductory paragraph
4 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the
5 Public School Code of 1949, are amended and the section is
6 amended by adding subsections to read:

7 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 16 through 19; page 2, lines 1
8 through 18; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and
9 inserting

10 (f) The commission shall consist of the following members
11 until September 30, 2024:

12 (1) The Secretary of Education, or a designee.

13 (2) The Secretary of Agriculture, or a designee.

14 (3) The following members jointly appointed by the Secretary
15 of Education and the Secretary of Agriculture from lists
16 submitted by the President pro tempore of the Senate and the
17 Speaker of the House of Representatives, in consultation with
18 the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the Senate and the
19 Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the House of
20 Representatives:

21 (i) Two farmers.

22 (ii) A representative of the agricultural processing and
23 agricultural marketing industries.

24 (iii) Two representatives of agricultural sciences, not more
25 than one of whom shall be a faculty member of the College of
26 Agricultural Sciences of The Pennsylvania State University.

27 (iv) A representative of the State System of Higher
28 Education with a background in or knowledge of agricultural
29 education.

30 (v) Two teachers of career and technical agriculture, one
31 from a career and technical center and one from a school
32 district.

33 (vi) A representative of a community college with a
34 background in or knowledge of agricultural education.

35 (vii) An administrator of a school entity which conducts an

1 agricultural education program.

2 (viii) A member of a school district occupational advisory
3 committee.

4 (ix) Two members of the business community with knowledge of
5 agricultural education.

6 (f.1) Beginning October 1, 2024, the commission shall
7 consist of the following members:

8 (1) The Secretary of Education, or a designee.

9 (2) The Secretary of Agriculture, or a designee.

10 (3) Two members appointed by the Secretary of Education:

11 (i) One of whom shall be a teacher of career and technical
12 agriculture from a school district.

13 (ii) One of whom shall be a teacher of career and technical
14 agriculture from a career and technical center.

15 (4) Two members appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture:

16 (i) One of whom shall be a representative of the
17 agricultural marketing industry.

18 (ii) One of whom shall be an agricultural sciences faculty
19 member of a college or university.

20 (5) Two members appointed by the President pro tempore of
21 the Senate:

22 (i) One of whom shall be a farmer.

23 (ii) One of whom shall be a representative of the
24 agricultural processing industry.

25 (6) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the
26 Senate:

27 (i) One of whom shall be a member of a school district
28 occupational advisory committee.

29 (ii) One of whom shall be a member of the business community
30 with knowledge of agricultural education.

31 (7) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
32 Representatives:

33 (i) One of whom shall be a farmer.

34 (ii) One of whom shall be a faculty member of the College of
35 Agricultural Sciences of The Pennsylvania State University.

36 (8) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the
37 House of Representatives:

38 (i) One of whom shall be a member of the business community
39 with knowledge of agricultural education.

40 (ii) One of whom shall be an individual with a background in
41 or knowledge of agricultural education.

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43 (g.1) To the extent practicable, from members appointed
44 under subsection (f.1), an equal number shall draw lots to serve
45 for a term of three years, for a term of two years and for a
46 term of one year. Thereafter, all members shall be appointed for
47 a term of three years. Members shall continue to serve until a
48 successor is appointed. If members are not initially appointed
49 by October 1, 2024, the Secretary of Education and Secretary of
50 Agriculture shall jointly appoint any qualified individual to
51 fill the vacancy.