

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 4, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 21, 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116),
2 entitled "An act establishing the Hardwoods Development
3 Council; conferring powers and duties upon the council; and
4 making an appropriation," further providing for Hardwoods
5 Development Council.

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

8 Section 1. ~~Section 4(a) of the act of October 21, 1988~~ <--
9 ~~(P.L.1036, No.116), known as the Hardwoods Development Council~~
10 ~~Act, is amended to read:~~

11 SECTION 1. SECTION 4(A) AND (B) OF THE ACT OF OCTOBER 21, <--
12 1988 (P.L.1036, NO.116), KNOWN AS THE HARDWOODS DEVELOPMENT
13 COUNCIL ACT, ARE AMENDED TO READ:

14 Section 4. Council.

15 (a) Composition.--The Hardwoods Development Council is
16 established within the department. The council shall include[,
17 but not be limited to,] the following [25] 27 29 members: <--

18 (1) [Six] SEVEN members: <--

- 1 (i) The Secretary of Agriculture.
- 2 (ii) The Secretary of Community and Economic
- 3 Development.
- 4 (iii) The Secretary of Conservation and Natural
- 5 Resources.
- 6 (iv) The State Forester.
- 7 (v) The Secretary of Transportation.
- 8 (vi) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania
- 9 Rural Development Council.

10 (VII) THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION. <--

11 (2) Four legislative members:

12 (i) Two senators, one appointed by the President pro

13 tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority

14 Leader of the Senate.

15 (ii) Two representatives, one appointed by the

16 Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed

17 by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

18 (3) [~~Fifteen~~] ~~Seventeen~~ EIGHTEEN public members <--

19 appointed by the Governor:

20 (i) One representative of an agricultural college

21 from a State-related university.

22 (ii) One representative of the Forest Service of the

23 Federal Department of Agriculture.

24 (iii) One representative of furniture OR CABINET <--

25 manufacturers.

26 (iv) One representative of veneer manufacturers.

27 (v) ~~[Two representatives]~~ ~~One representative~~ of <--

28 secondary processors.

29 (vi) [~~Two~~] Three representatives of nonprofit

30 corporations which have the purpose to promote and

1 enhance the hardwood industry in this Commonwealth[.], of
2 which one nonprofit corporation shall include the <--
3 Allegheny National Forest BE THE ALLEGHENY HARDWOOD <--
4 UTILIZATION GROUP.

5 (vii) One representative of the Pennsylvania Chamber
6 of Business and Industry.

7 (viii) One representative of the Pennsylvania
8 Forestry Association.

9 (ix) One representative of the Pennsylvania
10 [Hardwood Lumber Manufacturing] Forest Products
11 Association.

12 (x) One representative of pulp and paper
13 manufacturers.

14 (xi) One representative of the saw mill operators.

15 (xii) One representative of maple producers.

16 (xiii) One representative of the Pennsylvania State
17 Association of Township Supervisors.

18 (xiv) One logger.

19 (xv) One PRIVATE SECTOR forester. <--

20 (B) TERM OF OFFICE.-- <--

21 (1) MEMBERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) (1) SHALL SERVE AS LONG
22 AS THEY ARE IN OFFICE.

23 (2) LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) (2) SHALL
24 SERVE TERMS OF TWO YEARS.

25 (3) PUBLIC MEMBERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) (3) SHALL SERVE
26 THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

27 (I) PUBLIC MEMBERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) (3) (VI)
28 THROUGH (IX), (XII) AND (XIII) SHALL SERVE TERMS OF TWO
29 YEARS.

30 (II) PUBLIC MEMBERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) (3) (III)

1 THROUGH (V), (X) [AND], (XI), (XIV) AND (XV) SHALL SERVE
2 TERMS OF THREE YEARS.

3 (III) PUBLIC MEMBERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) (3) (I) AND
4 (II) SHALL SERVE TERMS OF FOUR YEARS.

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