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Source
The provisions of this Subchapter A adopted by Executive Order No. 1998-4, dated August 12, 1998, 28 Pa.B. 4619, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.1. Objectives.
The Departments of Education, Health, Labor and Industry and Public Welfare shall execute an interagency agreement to establish coordination and collaboration at the State level by defining fiscal and programmatic responsibilities for each agency under applicable law. This interagency agreement shall also provide specific direction for local level interagency cooperation to achieve the objectives listed in this section. The interagency agreement shall be executed prior to the expiration of this subchapter. The directives and responsibilities set forth under the agreement will be coordinated and directed by the Pennsylvania Human Resources Investment Council, if applicable, with the involvement of appropriate advisory councils. The objectives are as follows:

(i) To promote systematic funding to support students with disabilities. This includes the implementation of a reimbursement mechanism and the assignment of responsibilities for services each department will provide pursuant to the terms of Federal or State law or State-level interagency agreement. The interagency agreement shall include:

An identification of, or a method for defining, the financial responsibility of each agency for providing services to ensure a free appropriate
public education to children with disabilities, provided that the financial responsibility of each public agency otherwise obligated under State or Federal law or State policy to provide or pay for any services that are also considered special education or related services shall precede the financial responsibility of the local educational agency (or the State agency responsible for developing the child’s Individualized Education Program (IEP)).

(ii) The conditions, terms and procedures under which a local educational agency shall be reimbursed by other agencies.

(iii) Procedures for resolving interagency disputes, including procedures under which local educational agencies may initiate proceedings, under the agreement or other mechanism to secure reimbursement from other agencies or otherwise implement the provisions of the agreement or mechanism.

(iv) Policies and procedures for agencies to determine and identify the responsibilities of each agency to promote interagency coordination and timely and appropriate delivery of services.

(2) To promote interagency cooperation in the implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C.A. §§ 1400—1485). With reference to transition services, the interagency agreement shall identify:

(i) Policies, practices and procedures that can be coordinated between agencies, including definitions, standards for eligibility, policies and procedures for making referrals, procedures for outreach to and identification of students who are receiving special education services and are in need of transition services, and procedures and time frames for evaluation and follow-up on those students.

(ii) The roles of each agency, including provisions for determining the State lead agencies and qualified personnel with primary responsibility for transition services.

(iii) Procedures for providing training for staff of State and local educational agencies as to the availability, benefits of and eligibility standards for other State agencies providing transition services.

(iv) Available resources, including sources of funds for the development and expansion of services.

(v) Other components necessary to ensure meaningful cooperation among agencies, including procedures to facilitate the development of local teams to coordinate the provision of services to students with disabilities, sharing data and joint training of staff in the provision of transition services.

(3) To assure that local agreements, consistent with the objectives of the State-level interagency agreement, are developed and implemented among the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation district offices, local school districts, vocational technical schools, intermediate units, county mental health/mental retardation programs, district offices of Blindness and Visual Services and other appropriate agencies.

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(4) To evaluate the need for and implement, as appropriate, joint training and ongoing in-service training for staff of the Bureau of Special Education, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Bureau of Employment Services and Training; the Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; the State Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and County Mental Health; the State Office of Mental Retardation; county mental retardation offices; the Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services; intermediate units; school districts; vocational-technical schools; postsecondary institutions as well as for parents/families, service providers and representatives from business and industry.

(5) To promote the availability of appropriate choices and options for students with disabilities and their families in securing services, including early intervention, special education and related services, and to enable students to make the transition from school to becoming successful, participating members of the community.

(6) To review existing databases for students/clients with disabilities, while maintaining proper confidentiality, as a means to make recommendations for improving coordinated services.

(7) To provide mechanisms for the replication of exemplary programs.

(8) To provide for a system to resolve conflicts or questions which may arise under this subchapter or under existing memoranda of understanding through the Governor’s Office of General Counsel.

§ 6.2. Composition.

(a) The Interagency Committee to Coordinate Services Provided to Individuals with Disabilities Committee (Committee) members will be appointed by the respective Secretaries or other agency director, and will, at a minimum, include:


(2) A deputy secretary from each of the departments or a designee.

(3) One representative each from the Department of Education’s Bureau of Special Education, Bureau of Vocational-Technical Education and Office of School to Work.

(4) One representative each from the Department of Labor and Industry’s Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and Bureau of Employment Services and Training.

(5) One representative each from the Department of Public Welfare’s Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Office of Mental Retardation, Office of Medical Assistance Programs and Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services.

(b) The Committee will meet at least quarterly.
(c) The Committee will conduct its responsibilities under the direction of the Governor’s Policy Office and, where applicable, consistent with directives from the Pennsylvania Human Resources Investment Council.

§ 6.3. Implementation strategy.

Until the interagency agreement is executed, existing law and memoranda of understanding shall serve as the basis for determining and effecting any responsibilities that the departments named in the memoranda of understanding may have for providing services to children with disabilities. If there is a disagreement regarding the responsibility for providing early intervention, special education, related services or transition services, or that the memoranda of understanding do not include an agency that may have responsibility for the services, it is the responsibility of the Interagency Committee to Coordinate Services Provided to Individuals with Disabilities (Committee) to arrange for the modification of the existing memoranda of understanding, or the development of a new memorandum of understanding to include other agencies, which shall be contingent upon review and approval by the Office of General Counsel. If disputes cannot be resolved by the Committee, the issue shall be submitted to the Office of General Counsel for final resolution. No moneys for services may be encumbered by another agency unless those services are authorized by the existing memoranda of understanding, an interim memorandum of understanding, a duly executed modification thereof or pursuant to direction by the Office of General Counsel.

§ 6.4. Effective date.

This Subchapter is effective July 1, 1998.

§ 6.5. Termination date.

This subchapter will terminate December 31, 1999.

Subchapter B. GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RURAL AFFAIRS

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§ 6.11. Functions.
The Governor’s Advisory Council on Rural Affairs (Council) shall:

1. Seek to build and foster inclusive, collaborative partnerships and networks of diverse individuals and organizations to improve the coordination and effectiveness of Federal, State and other programs, services and actions affecting rural areas in this Commonwealth. To this end, the Council shall serve as a liaison to Federal, State and local government agencies to ensure that programs affecting rural Pennsylvanians are effectively utilized and that benefits are available to all rural citizens.

2. Foster expanded economic and social opportunities for this Commonwealth’s rural residents. In this regard, the Council and its partners shall identify opportunities for and impediments to expansion and develop strategies for taking advantage of opportunities and overcoming impediments. The Council shall develop, review and recommend policies to the Governor to promote expanded economic and social opportunities for rural Pennsylvania.

3. Serve as a vehicle for collective advocacy on behalf of this Commonwealth’s rural communities and their residents.

4. Promote intergovernmental cooperation.

5. Promote community-based problem-solving strategies which include all ideas, resources and expertise without regard to traditional distinctions among units, agencies or levels of government. Further, these strategies anticipate inclusion in the problem-solving process, all individuals, organizations and agencies with contributions to make for the advancement of the common good.

6. Advise the Governor, agencies, organizations and other entities on issues affecting rural communities and their residents.

7. Serve as a resource for private and nonprofit organizations on rural issues, programs and available sources of technical and financial assistance.


(a) The Governor’s Advisory Council on Rural Affairs shall consist of a Board of Directors comprised of 30 members, with six each representing the private sector, the nonprofit sector, local government agencies, State government agencies and Federal government agencies. Members of the Board of Directors shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Members of the Board of Directors may continue to serve in their positions only so long as they remain a member of the group from which they were chosen.
(b) The Governor will designate three Co-Chairpersons representing State, Federal and local governments. The Co-Chairpersons serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(c) The Governor will appoint an Executive Director who will serve at the pleasure of the Governor.


Members of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Rural Affairs receive no compensation for their services, except that the members may be reimbursed for actual travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).


(a) Members will be appointed for a term of 2 years. Members serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Governor’s Advisory Council on Rural Affairs due to resignation, disability or death of a member, a successor may be appointed by the Governor to serve the duration of the unexpired term. A successor so appointed may thereafter be reappointed.

§ 6.15. Procedures.

(a) The Governor’s Advisory Council on Rural Affairs (Council) is authorized to establish committees and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions consistent with this subchapter.

(b) The Council shall submit reports and policy recommendations it deems necessary that would assist in the preservation or enhancement of the quality of life for rural citizens and communities.

(c) The Council may hold public hearings to evaluate the effectiveness of Commonwealth services and programs to rural citizens and communities of this Commonwealth.

§ 6.16. Relationship with other agencies.

(a) The Governor’s Advisory Council on Rural Affairs (Council) shall seek to develop good working relationships with Federal and local government agencies so that the Council’s mission to promote intergovernmental cooperation and coordination may be achieved to the greatest extent possible.

(b) Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall fully cooperate with and provide assistance as requested by the Council to properly carry out its power and duties.

§ 6.17. Effective date.

This subchapter shall take effect immediately and continue in effect unless revised or modified by the Governor.

§ 6.18. Rescission.

Executive Order 1999-2 is rescinded.
Subchapter C. [Reserved]

Source
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§§ 6.21—6.25. [Reserved].

Subchapter D. [Reserved]

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GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION

§ 6.71. Establishment.
The Governor’s Office of Housing and Community Revitalization is created.
§ 6.72. Executive Director.
The Governor will appoint an Executive Director who serves at the pleasure of the Governor. The Executive Director shall manage the Office of Housing and Community Revitalization and report to the Governor.

§ 6.73. Administrative support.
(a) In accordance with an appropriate resolution of its governing board, the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (Agency) shall provide appropriate support services and other resources for the operation of the Office of Housing and Community Revitalization (Office).
(b) The staff of the Office serves as part of the complement of the Agency, but the substantive operations of the Office shall be conducted independently of the Agency.
(c) The operations of the Office shall be consistent with Agency policies and procedures, including its fiscal and audit requirements.
(d) The Office shall annually provide an accounting of all expenditures made by the Office to the Agency.
(e) The Executive Director of the Office shall serve as an advisor to the board of the Agency and shall report to the Governor’s Office.

§ 6.74. Responsibilities.
The responsibilities of the Office of Housing and Community Revitalization (Office) shall be to:
(1) Coordinate overall housing policy for the Commonwealth.
(2) Serve as primary liaison among all State agency programs, resources and policy areas involved in housing and community revitalization.
(3) Make recommendations to the Governor on housing policy and community revitalization matters, including legislative issues and program development, and advise the Governor of the results of the recommendations.
(4) Represent the Governor in developing partnerships with appropriate public and private housing agencies, including the Federal Home Loan Banks, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Rural Housing Services and foundations and other charitable entities. In these activities, the Office shall coordinate its efforts with those of the Agency and the Department of Community and Economic Development.
(5) Participate in special projects as directed by the Governor.
(6) Exercise other responsibilities and duties as directed by the Governor.

GOVERNOR’S HOUSING CABINET

§ 6.81. Establishment and membership.
(a) The Governor’s Housing Cabinet (Cabinet) is established and consists, at a minimum, of the following members:
(1) Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Housing and Community Revitalization, who is chairperson of the Cabinet.
(2) The Secretary of Banking.
(3) The Secretary of Community and Economic Development.
(4) The Secretary of Environmental Protection.
(5) The Secretary of Labor and Industry.
(6) The Secretary of Public Welfare.
(7) The Secretary of Transportation.
(8) The Secretary of Aging.
(9) The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST).
(10) The Governor’s Chief of Staff or a designee.
(11) The General Counsel or a designee.
(12) The Governor’s Director of Policy or a designee.
(b) The Governor will appoint additional members to the Cabinet as deemed appropriate.

§ 6.82. Powers and duties.
The Governor’s Housing Cabinet (Cabinet) has the following powers and duties:

(1) Advise and assist the Governor and the Office of Housing and Community Revitalization in identifying opportunities to improve the management or operation of State government programs affecting housing.
(2) Assist in the development and implementation of housing strategies and programs, including the identification of barriers to sound housing policy and program efficiency and appropriate program performance measures.
(3) Assist in evaluating the efficacy of the management of housing programs.
(4) Carry out other responsibilities assigned to the Cabinet by the Governor.

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§ 6.91. Cooperation by Commonwealth agencies.
The Office of Housing and Community Revitalization (Office) does not have direct responsibility for the day-to-day operations of any State agency. Commonwealth agencies under the direction of the Governor shall cooperate with the Office and the Governor’s Housing Cabinet (Cabinet). At a minimum, Commonwealth agencies shall:

(1) Provide information, records and materials as necessary for the Office and the Cabinet to carry out their responsibilities.
(2) Recommend to the Office and the Cabinet areas of investigation that might result in improvements to State government housing programs.

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§ 6.101. Effective date.
This subchapter shall take effect immediately and shall expire September 11, 2006.
Subchapter I. [Reserved]

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Subchapter L. [Reserved]

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§§ 6.191—6.194. [Reserved].

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Subchapter M. [Reserved]

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§§ 6.201—6.204. [Reserved].

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§ 6.211. Composition.

(a) The Transportation Funding and Reform Commission (Commission) consists of nine members appointed as follows:
   (1) One by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
   (2) One by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
   (3) One by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
   (4) One by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
   (5) Five by the Governor.

(b) Members of the Commission will be appointed by March 28, 2005.

(c) Of those members appointed by the Governor, at least one shall be a resident of the County of Philadelphia and at least one shall be a resident of the County of Allegheny. One of the appointees of the Governor shall be the Secretary of Transportation, who serves as the Chairperson of the Commission.

(d) To the greatest degree possible, appointees should have a background in transportation policy and management, public finance, or institutional management and reform.

(e) Members of the Commission receive no compensation for their service as members. Nongovernment members will be reimbursed for travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).


(a) The Transportation Funding and Reform Commission (Commission) shall conduct or cause to be conducted an operational audit of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority, the Port Authority of Allegheny County and other transit agencies receiving funding from the Commonwealth as it deems appropriate. The audits must determine if opportunities exist to implement cost efficiencies, revenue enhancements and service improvements that would be in the best interests of...
interest of the users of these systems and of the Commonwealth and its citizens. The audits must include an assessment of employee roles, responsibilities and compensation.

(b) The Commission shall study and make recommendations regarding appropriate levels of funding and sources of funding for transportation in this Commonwealth for the coming years, for transit and for roads and bridges, and for operating costs and capital investments. Regardless of what levels of funding are recommended, the Commission shall assess the need for adjustment to the methods by which funding is provided, the appropriate mix of State and local funding, and the structure of State funding programs.

(c) The Commission shall assess the structure of this Commonwealth’s transit agencies and assess whether changes to their underlying structure can improve service, reduce costs and increase efficiency. This review shall include board structure and responsibilities and options for changes to asset ownership and operations, including competitive contracting.

(d) The Commission shall assess the relationship of growth and development patterns and policies to this Commonwealth’s transportation systems, particularly fixed rail systems. In metropolitan areas around the United States, policies are being put in place to encourage development patterns that are easily served by transit and lead to fewer car trips and less congestion, and the Commission shall assess the opportunity to implement similar policies in this Commonwealth.

(e) In addition to the items enumerated in subsections (a)—(d), the Commission may investigate other related matters as it deems appropriate.

(f) Public agencies receiving transportation funding from the Commonwealth shall, to the greatest extent possible, assist the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities and make available to the Commission records and information as are needed by the Commission to fulfill its responsibilities.

§ 6.213. Responsibilities of other State agencies.

All agencies of the Commonwealth shall cooperate as necessary with the Transportation Funding and Reform Commission (Commission) to assure it is able to carry out its responsibilities. The Secretary of Transportation shall assure that the Department of Transportation provides technical and logistical support to the Commission. This may include provision of meeting space and other logistical support, staff resources and payment of expenditures for consultants.


At the close of its deliberations, but no later than November 15, 2006, the Transportation Funding and Reform Commission shall issue a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly containing its analysis and recommendations. The final report must, at a minimum, recommend specific funding sources and amounts for transit and for highways.
The Transportation Funding and Reform Commission shall commence its work as soon as possible after its members are appointed and disband upon the issuance of a final report.

Subchapter O. TRAINING AMERICA’S TEACHERS COMMISSION

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§ 6.221. Purpose.
The Training America’s Teachers Commission shall:

(1) Conduct qualitative and quantitative research, which includes this Commonwealth, National and international studies.

(2) Identify and benchmark signature teacher preparation programs both in this Commonwealth and elsewhere.

(3) Gather input from stakeholders across this Commonwealth by providing avenues for discourse that include teachers, parents, business leaders, and key legislative representatives and staff.

(4) Produce a final report containing recommendations.

§ 6.222. Responsibilities.
The Training America’s Teachers Commission shall examine and make specific recommendations:

(1) For enhancing the effectiveness of teacher preparation programs in this Commonwealth.

(2) To link PreK-12 education with the preparation of teachers in this Commonwealth.

(3) That will further position this Commonwealth’s teaching preparation programs as an economic and educational magnet that not only meets the
unique demands of this Commonwealth’s schools, but also provides other states with quality teaching candidates.

§ 6.223. Composition and appointments.
(a) The Training America’s Teachers Commission (Commission) will be chaired by a prominent Pennsylvanian, and its members will consist of a wide spectrum of stakeholders that include the following:
   (1) The Secretary of Education.
   (2) The Deputy Secretary of the Office of Postsecondary and Higher Education.
   (3) The Deputy Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.
   (4) The Secretary of Policy and Planning.
   (5) Two members of the Senate or staff designees, one appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate and one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
   (6) Two members of the House of Representatives or staff designees, one appointed by the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, and one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
   (7) Representatives from each of the following stakeholder groups:
      (i) Public PreK-12 education, including administrators, teachers and parents.
      (ii) College and university teacher preparation programs.
      (iii) College and university administration.
      (iv) Civic and business leaders.
      (v) At least one student enrolled in a teacher preparation program.
      (vi) The State Board of Education.
(b) A Commission Steering Committee, appointed by the Secretary of Education and composed of select members of the Commission, will direct the work of the Commission with the assistance of a consultant who will help manage the process, facilitate key session, conduct necessary research and produce a final report.
(c) The Department of Education will provide administrative support of the Commission.
(d) A Commission member may designate an alternate to attend Commission meetings, if required.

§ 6.224. Terms of membership.
(a) Members of the Training America’s Teachers Commission (Commission) serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Commission due to resignation, disability or death of a member, the Governor, or other appointing authority, as applicable, should appoint a successor as expeditiously as possible.
Members of the Training America’s Teachers Commission receive no compensation for their services, except that the members may be reimbursed for actual travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth travel and subsistence policies. (See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).)

§ 6.226. Reports.
The Training America’s Teachers Commission (Commission) shall present an initial report to the Governor by December 31, 2005. The Commission shall produce a final report containing recommendations on the teaching preparation programs in this Commonwealth by March 31, 2006.

§ 6.227. Executive agencies.
Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall provide assistance to the Training America’s Teachers Commission as requested by the chairperson.

§ 6.228. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.229. Termination date.
This subchapter shall continue in force until August 10, 2006.

Subchapter P. GOVERNOR’S RENEWABLE AGRICULTURAL ENERGY COUNCIL

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§ 6.231. Functions.
The functions of the Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council are to:

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(1) Make recommendations to the Governor on policies, procedures, regulations and legislation that would aid in the development of renewable energy.

(2) Serve as the Governor’s liaison to the agricultural community on policies, procedures, regulations and legislation that affect the production of renewable energy to ensure that State government is accessible, accountable and responsive to the constituency developing renewable energy.

(3) Serve as a resource to all departments, commissions and agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction to ensure that these government entities are cognizant of the issues surrounding the development of renewable energy.

(4) Provide guidance and assistance to help industry establish and develop the infrastructure necessary to deliver renewable energy sources to consumers within this Commonwealth.


The Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council is composed of the following individuals appointed by the Governor:

(1) The Secretary of Agriculture or a designee and the Secretary of Environmental Protection or a designee.

(2) Two representatives from the Department of Environmental Protection.

(3) Two representatives from the Department of Agriculture.

(4) One representative from the State Conservation Commission.

(5) One representative from the Governor’s Policy Office.

(6) One representative from the Department of Community and Economic Development.

(7) One representative from the Legislature.

(8) One representative from the United States Department of Agriculture.

(9) One representative from a local government entity.

(10) Five active farmers who implement, use or produce agricultural energy inputs.

(11) Four individuals with knowledge and expertise in agricultural energy and environmental law, regulation and research, including ethanol, biodiesel, wind energy, methane and gasification.

(12) Four individuals from colleges/universities specializing in various sectors of agricultural energy development and one individual specializing in agricultural crop based energy.


The Secretaries of Agriculture and Environmental Protection serve as co-chairpersons of the Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council on a rotating basis. Each term as chairperson lasts 1 year. The Secretary of Agriculture shall serve the initial term.

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§ 6.234. Compensation and expenses.

The members of the Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council (Council) do not receive a salary or per diem allowance for serving as members of the Council but will be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.235. Terms.

(a) The terms of the Secretaries of Agriculture and Environmental Protection are concurrent with their holding public office.

(b) The remaining members of the Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council serve at the pleasure of the Governor and may be removed at the will of the Governor.

§ 6.236. Relationship with other agencies.

Agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor shall cooperate with and provide any necessary assistance to the Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council (Council) in performing its functions. The Council will receive administrative support from the Department of Agriculture (Department) and will coordinate its functions and activities through the Department’s Policy Office.

§ 6.237. Reports and studies.

The Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council may conduct studies and issue reports deemed necessary on issues affecting the use of renewable energy in this Commonwealth.


The Governor’s Renewable Agricultural Energy Council is authorized to establish subcommittees, rules and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions consistent with this subchapter.

§ 6.239. Effective date.

This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.240. Termination date.

This subchapter remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.
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Subchapter S. COMMISSION ON COLLEGE AND CAREER SERVICES

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6.269. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter S adopted by Executive Order No. 2005-6 as amended, dated August 10, 2005, 36 Pa.B. 4160, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.261. Purpose.

The purpose of the Commission on College and Career Success (Commission) is to:

(1) Undertake a comprehensive review of the Commonwealth’s laws, regulations and policies to ascertain whether they set clear and consistent expectations for high school success to ensure that all students graduate ready for college and careers.
(2) Conduct qualitative and quantitative research, which includes this Commonwealth, National and international studies.
(3) Encourage and endorse strategies for school districts to increase academic achievement and graduation rates in high school.
(4) Encourage and endorse strategies for higher education to increase retention through the first 2 years of postsecondary education.
(5) Produce a final report that includes recommendations for any necessary changes to legislation, regulations and policies consistent with the mission of the Commission.

§ 6.262. Responsibilities.
The responsibilities of the Commission on College and Career Success are to:
(1) Define “college and career ready” in Mathematics, English and Science.
(2) Examine and make specific recommendations for better alignment of academic standards and assessments across the secondary and post-secondary educational sectors as well as industry in this Commonwealth.
(3) Encourage local school districts to adopt a core high school curriculum for all students of this Commonwealth.
(4) Present to the Governor a legislative and regulatory package that would address the needs outlined in their findings.
(5) Investigate policies and programs that ensure a higher number of prepared students enter and remain in our colleges and universities.

§ 6.263. Composition and appointments.
(a) The members of the Commission on College and Career Success (Commission) are appointed by the Governor unless otherwise noted and consist of a wide spectrum of stakeholders that include the following:
(1) The Governor.
(2) The Secretary of Education.
(3) Three members of the State Board of Education, one of whom serves as vice-chairperson of the Commission.
(4) Three representatives of higher education institutions of this Commonwealth, one of whom serves as co-chairperson of the Commission.
(5) Three representatives of the business community, one of whom serves as co-chairperson of the Commission.
(6) One local superintendent.
(7) One local high school teacher or principal.
(8) One member of a local board of school directors.
(9) Two members appointed by the Senate, one appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
(10) Two members appointed by the House of Representatives, one appointed by the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives and appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.  
(b) A Commission member may designate an alternate to attend meetings.  
(c) Commission work groups, appointed by the Commission chairpersons and composed of select members of the Commission and others, will conduct work as designated by the Commission with the assistance of Department of Education staff and consultants. Work groups and consultants will help facilitate key sessions, conduct necessary research and issue a final report. The topics and tasks of workgroups will be identified by the Commission.  
(d) The Department of Education will provide administrative support to the Commission.  
(e) A Commission member may designate an alternate to attend Commission meetings, if required.

§ 6.264. Terms of membership.  
(a) Members of the Commission on College and Career Success (Commission) serve at the pleasure of the Governor.  
(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Commission due to resignation, disability or death of a member, the Governor or other appointing authority, as applicable, should appoint a successor as expeditiously as possible.

Members of the Commission on College and Career Success receive no compensation for their services, except that members may be reimbursed for actual travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth travel and subsistence policies. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.266. Reports.  
The Commission on College and Career Success will issue a report containing a summary of its progress and recommendations for legislation, regulations and secondary and postsecondary policies in this Commonwealth. A preliminary report will be produced by May 1, 2006, and a final report will be produced by December 31, 2006.

§ 6.267. Executive agencies.  
Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall provide assistance to the Commission as requested by the chairpersons.

§ 6.268. Effective date.  
This subchapter is effective immediately.
§ 6.269. Termination date.

This subchapter is in force until February 12, 2007.

Subchapter T. [Reserved]

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Subchapter U. OFFICE OF HEALTH EQUITY

Sec.
6.284. Effective date.
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The provisions of this Subchapter U adopted by Executive Order No. 2007-4, dated May 21, 2007, 38 Pa.B. 741, unless otherwise noted.
(a) Establishment. The Office of Health Equity (Office) is hereby established within the Department of Health.
(b) Infrastructure. The infrastructure of the Office will, at a minimum, include the Director of the Office and appropriate staff.
(c) Responsibilities. The responsibilities of the Office are as follows:
   (1) Provide leadership to increase public awareness of health disparities in this Commonwealth.
   (2) Advocate for the development of programs to address health disparities.
   (3) Work with policy makers, insurers, health care providers and communities to implement policies and programs that result in a measurable and sustained improvement in health status of underserved and disparate populations.
   (4) Continue collaboration with State agencies, academic institutions, community based organizations, health partners, providers and others in the public and private sectors to eliminate health disparities in this Commonwealth.

(a) Establishment and membership: The Health Equity Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) is hereby established. The membership of the Advisory Committee will be at the discretion of the Secretary of Health and will, at a minimum, include representatives of academia, provider community, faith based community and organized representatives of disparate populations.
(b) Powers and duties. The Advisory Committee has the following duties:
   (1) Advise the Secretary of Health on matters concerning health inequalities and recommend actions which are data-driven, evidence-based and culturally aware; increase public awareness of the existence of health disparities; and mobilize Statewide, community and individual actions to eliminate health disparities in this Commonwealth.
   (2) Assist in the identification of Federal and private foundation funding to support programs that address health disparities.
   (3) Assist in identifying the conditions and causes of disparities and prioritizing strategies to address the elimination of health disparities.
   (4) Enhance the coordination and support of existing Commonwealth programs, including, but not limited to, the following:
      (i) Identification of evidence-based practices.
      (ii) Provision of advice and guidance about public and private resources.
      (iii) Dissemination of information on programs to reduce and eliminate identified disparities.
      (iv) Utilization of assessment tools to improve cultural competency of health care providers.
   (5) Provide advice and guidance to the Governor through the Office of Health Equity and the Secretary of Health on programs and activities to accelerate the elimination of disparities in the delivery of health care in this Commonwealth.

Commonwealth agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor shall cooperate with the Office of Health Equity to support and promote its mission and goals.
§ 6.284. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.285. Termination date.
This subchapter will remain in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Subchapter V. [Reserved]

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§§ 6.291—6.296. [Reserved].

Subchapter W. GOVERNOR’S CABINET FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Sec.
6.301. Governor’s Cabinet for People with Disabilities.
6.302. Governor’s Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities
6.304. Reports and studies.
6.305. Effective date.

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The provisions of this Subchapter W adopted by Executive Order No. 2006-09, dated November 21, 2006, 38 Pa.B. 2231, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.301. Governor’s Cabinet for People with Disabilities.
(a) Establishment. The Governor’s Cabinet for People with Disabilities (Cabinet) is created.
(b) Executive Director. The Governor will appoint an Executive Director of the Cabinet.
(c) Membership. The Cabinet shall consist of the following members, who serve by virtue of their public position:
   (1) Secretary of Public Welfare, who shall serve as Chairperson of the Cabinet.
   (2) Secretary of Labor and Industry.
   (3) Secretary of Health.
   (4) Secretary of Education.
   (5) Secretary of Transportation.
   (6) Secretary of the Budget.
   (7) Secretary of Aging.
   (8) Secretary of Policy and Planning.
Responsibilities. The responsibilities of the Cabinet are as follows:

1. Make recommendations to the Governor on policies, procedures, regulations and legislation that aid people with disabilities in this Commonwealth.

2. Serve as the Governor’s liaison to people with disabilities on policies, procedures, regulations and legislation that affect people with disabilities to ensure that State government is accessible, accountable and responsive to people with disabilities.

3. Serve as a resource to all departments, commissions and agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction to ensure that these government entities are cognizant of the needs of people with disabilities and that their respective services and programs are accessible to those individuals.

4. Work with the Administration and agencies to monitor the hiring, retention and promotion practices of the Commonwealth relating to the employment of people with disabilities to ensure that there are no discriminatory practices within this Commonwealth.

§ 6.302. Governor’s Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities.

(a) Establishment and responsibilities. The Governor’s Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities (Committee) is established and shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor’s Cabinet for People with Disabilities in matters regarding people with disabilities in this Commonwealth.

(b) Membership. The Committee shall consist of the following members, with a Chairperson to be designated by the Governor:

1. The Governor will appoint as members people with disabilities, including individuals from existing stakeholder groups, in a number as he deems appropriate.

2. At a minimum, 60% of these members shall be people with disabilities or family members of people with disabilities.

3. These Committee members serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(c) Compensation and expenses. The members of the Committee do not receive a salary or per diem allowance for serving as members of the Committee, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See 4 Pa. Code Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).
Agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor shall cooperate with and provide any necessary assistance to the Governor's Cabinet and Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities in performing their functions.

§ 6.304. Reports and studies.
The Cabinet for People with Disabilities may conduct studies and issue reports upon request and as it deems necessary on issues affecting people with disabilities in this Commonwealth.

§ 6.305. Effective date.
This subsection shall take effect immediately and remain in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Subchapter X. PENNSYLVANIA ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

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The provisions of this Subchapter X adopted by Executive Order No. 2006-06, dated June 30, 2006, 38 Pa.B. 2236, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.311. Establishment and purpose.
(a) The Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (Commission) is established to organize, arrange and coordinate bicentennial tributes to Abraham Lincoln in this Commonwealth and to coordinate those activities with the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (National Commission) of the Federal government as well as other interested parties.

(b) The Commission shall be based at Gettysburg College (College). The Commission shall receive support from the College, which shall be assisted by the Commonwealth, including, as necessary, the Office of the Governor, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, the Pennsylvania Department of Education and other agencies of State government as the Governor deems appropriate to be involved in planning and organizing bicentennial celebrations.

§ 6.312. Membership.
The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (Commission) shall include the following individuals or their respective designees:
(1) Governor.
(2) President of Gettysburg College.
(3) Director of the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College.
(4) Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
(5) Minority Leader of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
(6) President Pro Tempore of the Pennsylvania Senate.
(7) Minority Leader of the Pennsylvania Senate.
(8) Secretary of the Community and Economic Development.
(9) Secretary of Education.
(10) Secretary of the Conservation and Natural Resources.
(11) Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.
(12) Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.
(13) Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Public Television Network.
(14) Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.
(16) President of the Board of the Philadelphia Area Consortium of Special Collections Libraries.
(17) President of the Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center.
(18) Executive Director of the Abraham Lincoln Foundation of the Union League of Philadelphia.
(19) President of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust.
(20) Six members from the general public representing areas of academia, business, arts, community development, historic preservation and civil rights. The Governor will appoint the Chairperson of the Commission. Members serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for expenses. See 4 Pa. Code Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.313. Purpose and responsibility.
The purpose and responsibilities of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission include the following:
(1) Lead Pennsylvania’s planning efforts to commemorate the significance of Abraham Lincoln to our State and National history.
(2) Make recommendations outlining the most effective and appropriate means for the Commonwealth to commemorate the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration.
(3) Identify and pursue resources necessary to effectively communicate and implement commemorative activities.
(4) Implement recommendations by working with the Office of the Governor, appropriate State and local government agencies, members of the General Assembly and organizations that are interested in commemorating the life of Abraham Lincoln.
(5) Coordinate communications with the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Congressional Caucus to ensure that this Commonwealth will be a significant state for events recognizing the contributions of Abraham Lincoln.
(6) Coordinate scheduling of Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln bicentennial activities and coordinate activities with the National Commission.
(7) Submit an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly summarizing its activities and findings and making recommendations for Abraham Lincoln commemorative activities.

(8) Consider sponsoring an event on November 19, 2006, in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania to commemorate the Bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln’s birthday of February 12, 1809.

§ 6.314. Termination.
This subchapter shall take effect immediately and expire December 31, 2009.

Subchapter Y. [Reserved]

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Subchapter Z. [Reserved]

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Subchapter AA. [Reserved]

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Subchapter BB. [Reserved]

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Subchapter CC. PENNSYLVANIA EARLY LEARNING COUNCIL

§ 6.361. Purpose.

The purpose of the Pennsylvania Early Learning Council (Council) is to plan for the expansion of effective early learning and development services for young children and their families, and make recommendations to ensure the plans are implemented successfully. The Council will be responsible for coordinating the delivery of these Federal and Commonwealth programs designed to serve young children from birth through their entry into school, and to ensure a smooth transition for those children into K-12 education and other programs serving older children.


The Pennsylvania Early Learning Council (Council) will have the following powers and duties, consistent with Federal law:

1. Conducting periodic needs assessments concerning the quality and availability of early childhood learning and development programs and services for children from birth to school entry.

2. Identifying opportunities for, and barriers to, collaboration and coordination among Federally-funded and Commonwealth-funded child learning, development, and education services, and early childhood programs and services.

3. Developing recommendations for increasing the overall participation of children in existing Federal, Commonwealth and local child care and early childhood learning, education and development programs.

4. Developing recommendations regarding the establishment of a unified data collection system for public early childhood learning, education, and development programs and services throughout this Commonwealth.

5. Developing recommendations regarding Commonwealth-wide professional development and career advancement plans for early childhood educators.

6. Assessing the capacity and effectiveness of 2-year and 4-year public and private institutions of higher education in this Commonwealth toward supporting the development of early childhood educators.
(7) Making recommendations for improvements in Commonwealth early learning standards.

(8) Developing and recommending updates to a multiyear plan for the expansion of effective early learning, education and development services.

(9) Recommending policies and procedures that assure the integration of the early intervention system as part of the Commonwealth’s approach to early childhood learning, education and development.

(10) Assuring the development of a sound continuum from and between early childhood programs and traditional public education, starting with kindergarten.

(11) Ensuring the development of early childhood programs that identify and meet the needs of infants and toddlers and their families.

(12) Assuring an integrated approach to the design and delivery of early childhood mental health services across this Commonwealth.

(13) Providing ongoing input and advice to the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) about programs under its jurisdiction, including without limitation the development of Early Intervention, Full-Day Kindergarten, Keystone STARS, Nurse-Family Partnership, PA Pre-K Counts and the Child Care Works Subsidized Child Care Program.

(14) Engaging parents to provide input and make recommendations to strengthen the work of OCDEL, and develop improved communication strategies with families across this Commonwealth regarding the importance of and their role in quality early learning, education, and child development, and the programs of the Commonwealth in support of quality early learning.

(15) Providing input to assure an adequate supply of, and quality for, the early childhood workforce needed to implement OCDEL’s programs.

(16) Advising OCDEL in the creation of a comprehensive professional development system that applies to practitioners in all early learning settings, with the goal of increasing the number of highly qualified early childhood professionals.

(17) Providing ongoing input to the development of the Early Learning Network (Network), focusing on discussion of technical as well as communication and outreach needs, to support the sound development of the Network across OCDEL programs.

(18) Ensuring that children with special needs are properly supported by the State’s early learning programs.

(19) Considering the overall early learning needs of young children, and evaluating how those needs are or are not met by OCDEL’s services.

(20) Advocating for services that fulfill the early learning needs of young children, particularly services provided through OCDEL.


The Pennsylvania Early Learning Council (Council) will consist of the following members appointed by the Governor, who collectively will be diverse and representative of this Commonwealth’s population:

(1) Deputy Secretary for the Office of Child Development and Early Learning.

(2) A representative of local educational agencies.
(3) A representative of institutions of higher education in this Commonwealth.
(4) A representative of local providers of early childhood education and development services.
(5) A representative from Head Start agencies located in this Commonwealth, including migrant and seasonal Head Start Programs and Indian Head Start Programs.
(6) The Commonwealth Director of Head Start collaboration.
(7) A representative of the Commonwealth agency responsible for health or mental health care.
(8) A Co-Chairperson of the Early Learning Investment Commission, or the Co-Chairperson’s designee.
(9) The Chairperson of the Commonwealth’s State Interagency Coordinating Council.
(10) The Director of the Pennsylvania Key.
(11) The Director of Early Intervention Technical Assistance.
(12) Individuals representing families.
(13) Individuals representing advocacy organizations.
(14) Individuals representing business and industry.
(15) Individuals representing intermediate units.
(16) Individuals representing local governments.
(17) Individuals representing public school community.
(18) Individuals representing research institutions.
(19) Individuals representing State corrections or law enforcement.
(20) Individuals representing the child care community.
(21) Individuals representing the child welfare community.
(22) Individuals representing the children’s health community.
(23) Individuals representing the early childhood mental health community.
(24) Individuals representing media.
(25) Individuals representing the philanthropic community.
(26) Individuals representing the professional development community that services early learning programs and practitioners.
(27) Individuals representing the United Way.
(28) Other individuals who can assist the Council with the purposes outlined in this subchapter including, but not limited to, a representative from all of the committees of the Council.

§ 6.364. Chairperson, Co-Chairperson and terms.
(a) The Deputy Secretary for the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) shall serve as Co-Chairperson of the Pennsylvania Early Learning Council (Council). In addition, the Governor will appoint a member to serve as Co-Chairperson of the Council, who serves at the pleasure of the Governor.
(b) Council members appointed by the Governor and not serving by virtue of their official position with the Commonwealth will serve for a term of 3 years and continue to serve until their successor is appointed.
(c) Members serve without compensation except for payment of necessary and actual expenses incurred in attending meetings and in performing their duties and responsibilities as Council members.
Pennsylvania Early Learning Council (Council) operations will include the following:
(1) The Council will hold public hearings and provide opportunities for public comment.
(2) The Council will meet at least twice a year.
(3) The Council will submit an annual report of its activities to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, within 30 days of the close of each fiscal year. The report will make reference to the Council’s activities in furtherance of the specific powers and duties assigned to it by this subchapter.
(4) The Council will invite the Governor and members of the Legislature to at least one briefing in each fiscal year, where legislators will have the opportunity to ask questions of the Council’s leadership about its recommendations and activities.
(5) The Council will invite the Governor’s Cabinet on Children and Families, the Pennsylvania Commission for Women, and other relevant commissions with an interest in this Commonwealth’s role in early childhood development to at least one briefing in each fiscal year, when members of these commissions have the opportunity to discuss with the Council its recommendations and activities, and to engage in work of mutual interest.

§ 6.366. Relationship with other agencies.
The Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) will provide staff or data support, or both, to the Pennsylvania Early Learning Council (Council). Commonwealth agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction will cooperate with, provide assistance to, and review the recommendations of the Council with respect to its purpose, powers and duties, as set forth in this subchapter.

§ 6.367. Effective date.
This subchapter will take effect immediately.

§ 6.368. Termination date.
This subchapter will remain in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Subchapter DD. [Reserved]

Sec.
6.371. [Reserved].
6.372. [Reserved].
6.373. [Reserved].
6.374—6.377. [Reserved].

Source
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§ 6.371. [Reserved].

§ 6.372. [Reserved].

Source

§ 6.373. [Reserved].

Source


Subchapter EE. [Reserved]

Sec.
6.381. [Reserved].
6.382. [Reserved].
6.383. [Reserved].
6.384. [Reserved].
6.385—6.390. [Reserved].

Source
§ 6.381. [Reserved].

§ 6.382. [Reserved].

§ 6.383. [Reserved].

Source

§ 6.384. [Reserved].

Source

§§ 6.385—6.390. [Reserved].

Subchapter FF. [Reserved]

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter FF adopted by Executive Order No. 2007-05, dated May 21, 2007, 40 Pa.B. 212; reserved by Executive Order No. 2016-08, dated December 5, 2016, 46 Pa.B. 7993, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (376092) to (376095).

§§ 6.401—6.407. [Reserved].

Subchapter GG. PENNSYLVANIA STIMULUS OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Sec.
6-411. Composition and appointments.
6-412. Responsibilities.
6-413. Support by State agencies.
6-414. Cooperation by State agencies.
6-415. Effective date.
6-416. Termination.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter GG adopted by Executive Order No. 2009-01, dated March 27, 2009, 40 Pa.B. 399, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.411. Composition and appointments.
(a) The Pennsylvania Stimulus Oversight Commission (Commission) shall consist of the following members:
   (1) The Governor or a designee.

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(3) The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ARRA Chief Accountability Officer.
(4) One sitting senator designated by the Majority Leader of the Senate of Pennsylvania.
(5) One sitting senator designated by the Minority Leader of the Senate of Pennsylvania.
(6) One sitting representative designated by the Majority Leader of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
(7) One sitting representative designated by the Minority Leader of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
(8) One sitting congressperson or a designee appointed by the Pennsylvania members of the Majority Party of the United States House of Representatives.
(9) One sitting congressperson or a designee appointed by the Pennsylvania members of the Minority Party of the United States House of Representatives.
(10) Each Pennsylvania United States Senator or a designee.
(11) One member designated by the United Way of Pennsylvania.
(12) One member designated by the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO.
(13) One member designated by the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry.
(b) The Governor will designate the Chairperson of the Commission.

§ 6.412. Responsibilities.
(a) The Pennsylvania Stimulus Oversight Commission (Commission) shall:
(1) Review the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), including all relevant Federal statutes that define the funding streams associated with ARRA as well as State law to ensure that the Commonwealth is complying with relevant statutes prescribing how the ARRA funds can be spent.
(2) Review the expectations of the ARRA relating to timelines required for the obligation of ARRA funds, review how the Commonwealth plans to comply with these time lines, evaluate the likelihood that the Commonwealth is meeting the time line requirements, and make recommendations for improvements, if necessary.
(3) Review the Commonwealth’s approach to allocating and disbursing these funds, evaluate the degree to which the Commonwealth is minimizing administrative expenses associated with the distribution of the funds, and make recommendations for improvements, if necessary.
(4) Review the Commonwealth’s approach to complying with the Federal requirements for tracking and publicly displaying the expenditure of these funds, determine if the Commonwealth is executing this responsibility appropriately, and make recommendations for improvements, if necessary.
(5) Review the Commonwealth’s methods of performance tracking and transparency as required by the ARRA, evaluate if the Commonwealth is executing this responsibility appropriately, and make recommendations for improvements, if necessary.
(6) Review the Commonwealth’s approach to competing for additional ARRA funds and make recommendations to improve the Commonwealth’s ability to succeed in the competitive grant processes, if necessary.

(7) Review the Commonwealth’s approach to ARRA grants management and oversight and make recommendations for improvements, if necessary.

(8) Review the Commonwealth’s oversight structure for the ARRA efforts and make recommendations to improve the oversight structure, if necessary.

(9) Determine whether new Federal or State legislation or procedures are necessary or would be beneficial to effectively disburse or distribute ARRA resources, if necessary.

(10) Make recommendations to the Governor for additional areas of review to be conducted by the Commission or other relevant Commonwealth entities, if necessary.

(11) Receive copies of all reports submitted to the Federal government pertaining to Commonwealth use of ARRA funds.

(b) The Commission shall establish a schedule of meetings. In addition, meetings may be called by the Governor or the Chairperson.

(c) Meetings of the Commission shall be public.

§ 6.413. Support by State agencies.

The Governor’s Office will designate executive branch agencies to provide technical, administrative, and staffing support to the Pennsylvania Stimulus Oversight Commission.


The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ARRA Chief Implementation Officer and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ARRA Chief Accountability Officer will have the authority to ensure that agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction provide all necessary materials to the Pennsylvania Stimulus Oversight Commission (Commission) and, when necessary, make presentations or otherwise participate in Commission meetings. All agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Commission to carry out its functions effectively.

§ 6.415. Effective date.

This subchapter shall take effect immediately.

§ 6.416. Termination.

This subchapter shall remain in effect until September 30, 2011.

Subchapter HH. [Reserved]
§ 6.421. [Reserved].

§ 6.422. [Reserved].

Source

§§ 6.423—6.427. [Reserved].

Subchapter II. GOVERNOR’S MARCELLUS SHALE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Sec.
6.431. Purpose.
6.432. Responsibilities.
6.433. Composition.
6.434. Terms of membership.
6.438. Reports.
6.439. Effective date.
6.440. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter II adopted by Executive Order No. 2011-01, dated March 8, 2011, 41 Pa.B. 1754, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.431. Purpose.
The Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission shall develop a comprehensive, strategic proposal for the responsible and environmentally sound development of Marcellus Shale.

§ 6.432. Responsibilities.
The Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall do the following:

(1) Complete a review of existing and proposed statutes, legislation, regulations and policies that regulate or affect Marcellus Shale natural gas development in this Commonwealth and provide analysis and recommendations regarding the following:

   (i) Additional steps necessary to protect, conserve and enhance this Commonwealth’s environment and natural resources and further mitigate impacts from development on this Commonwealth’s air, land and water resources.
(ii) Efforts necessary to promote the efficient, environmentally sound and cost-effective development of Marcellus Shale and other unconventional natural gas resources.

(iii) Policies designed to encourage the end use of natural gas and natural gas by-products.

(iv) Workforce development needs and opportunities.

(v) Identifying, quantifying and recommending proposals to address the needs and impacts of natural gas development on local communities.

(2) Provide interim reporting to the Governor, as determined as appropriate by the Commission Chairperson.

(3) Provide a final report due by July 22, 2011.

(4) Convene its first meeting by March 31, 2011, with subsequent meetings as determined by members of the Commission. A simple majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

(5) Adopt rules of procedure consistent with this subchapter.

§ 6.433. Composition.
The Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall consist of the following members:

(1) The Lieutenant Governor, who will serve as Chairperson of the Commission.

(2) A minimum of 25 and a maximum of 35 appointees, representing the interests of environmental, conservation, industry, local and State government, who will be chosen by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

§ 6.434. Terms of membership.
The members of the Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall serve from the date of their appointment by the Governor until July 22, 2011, or their removal from the Commission by the Governor, whichever occurs first. The Governor may fill vacancies that may occur and may remove any member from the Commission at his discretion.

Members of the Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) receive no compensation for their service as Commission members. Non-government members will be reimbursed for travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

The Department of Environmental Protection will provide administrative staff resources to support the Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission.

Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission to carry out its functions effectively.
§ 6.438. Reports.
In addition to the interim recommendations in § 6.432(2) (relating to responsibilities), the Governor’s Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall submit to the Governor a final report on the Commission’s activities by July 22, 2011.

§ 6.439. Effective date.
This subchapter shall take effect March 8, 2011.

§ 6.440. Termination date.
This subchapter shall remain in effect until July 22, 2011.

Subchapter JJ. [Reserved]

Sec.
6.451—6.456. [Reserved].

Source

§§ 6.451—6.456. [Reserved].

Subchapter KK. [Reserved]

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter KK adopted by Executive Order No. 2011-07, dated September 28, 2011, 41 Pa.B. 6081; reserved by Executive Order No. 2016-08, dated December 5, 2016, 46 Pa.B. 7993, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (376101) to (376102) and (360673).

§§ 6.461—6.467. [Reserved].

Subchapter LL. OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Sec.
6.471. Purpose.
6.473. Composition.
6.474. Staffing and location.
6.475. Designation of State administrative agency.
6.477. Effective date.
6.478. Termination date.
6.479. Rescission.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter LL adopted by Executive Order No. 2012-03, dated February 22, 2012, 42 Pa.B. 1633, unless otherwise noted.
§ 6.471. Purpose.
The Office of Homeland Security shall prepare for, prevent, respond and recover from acts of terrorism.

The Office of Homeland Security shall do the following:
(1) Secure this Commonwealth from acts of terrorism.
(2) Reduce the vulnerability of critical infrastructure and key resources to terrorist attacks.
(3) Partner with the United States Department of Homeland Security and other Federal, State and local agencies in matters related to homeland security.
(4) Work with the Primary State Fusion Center to develop the process of information fusion for the gathering, processing, analyzing and disseminating of information related to homeland security.
(5) Cooperate with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency in matters relating to emergency management planning, preparedness and response.
(6) Participate, in concert with the private sector and other Federal, State and local agencies, in a coordinated effort to prepare for, prevent, respond and recover from acts of terrorism.

§ 6.473. Composition.
The Office of Homeland Security (Office) shall consist of the following members:
(1) Homeland Security Advisor. The head of the Office shall be the Homeland Security Advisor (Advisor), as appointed by the Governor. The Advisor shall serve as the Commonwealth’s primary point of contact with the United States Department of Homeland Security and other Federal, State and local agencies in matters related to homeland security. The Advisor shall advise and report to the Governor.
(2) Homeland Security Director. The Office shall be managed by the Homeland Security Director (Director), appointed by the Governor. The Director shall report to the Advisor and to the Governor’s Deputy Chief of Staff for Public Safety. The Director shall be assisted by personnel deemed necessary to allow the Office to carry out its responsibilities.

§ 6.474. Staffing and location.
The Homeland Security Director is authorized to select, appoint and employ employees as necessary to carry out the functions of the Office of Homeland Security in accordance with the procedures of the Governor’s Office of Administration. The Office of Homeland Security shall be located at Pennsylvania State Police Departmental Headquarters. Personnel assigned to the Office of Homeland Security shall be classified as authorized employees of the Pennsylvania State Police.
§ 6.475. Designation of State administrative agency.
The Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency is designated as the State administrative agency for the Commonwealth and shall be responsible for the administration and audit functions of Federal grants relating to homeland security. The distribution awards of Federal grant money under the Homeland Security Grant Program and the Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant Program will be made by the Governor’s Office, in consultation with the Homeland Security Advisor and the Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, in accordance with the Federal guidelines related to the National Homeland Security Strategy and Federal Grant Guidance as promulgated by United States Department of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency for the respective grant years.

Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Office of Homeland Security and the Governor’s Deputy Chief of Staff for Public Safety to carry out its functions effectively.

§ 6.477. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.478. Termination date.
This subchapter remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

§ 6.479. Rescission.

Subchapter MM. CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT OFFICE

Sec.
6.482. Responsibilities.
6.484. Relationship with other agencies.
6.485. Effective date.
6.486. Rescission.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter MM adopted by Executive Order No. 2012-05, dated April 30, 2012. 42 Pa.B. 3199, unless otherwise noted.

The mission of the Commonwealth Continuity of Government Steering Committee is to ensure the ability of the Commonwealth to continue to provide essential services during an emergency through its support of the Continuity of Government Office.
§ 6.482. Responsibilities.
The Commonwealth Continuity of Government Steering Committee shall do the following:

1. Assess the level of continuity of government preparedness among Commonwealth agencies.
2. Assess the ability of the executive, judicial and legislative branches to coordinate and continue the effective functioning of government during an emergency.
3. Approve and promote the annual priorities of the Continuity of Government Office (Office) for ensuring the coordination and maintenance of Commonwealth operations during emergencies and disruptions.
4. Provide guidelines, oversight and policy direction for improving continuity of government and operations by the Office.

§ 6.483. Composition.
The Commonwealth Continuity of Government Steering Committee (Steering Committee) shall consist of the following members:

1. The Secretary of Administration, who will serve as Chairperson of the Steering Committee.
2. The Secretary of General Services.
3. The Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.
4. The Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police.
5. The Director of the Continuity of Government Office.
6. The Chief Information Officer of the Office of Administration.
7. Other members as appointed by the Governor.

§ 6.484. Relationship with other agencies.
Commonwealth agencies, boards and commissions under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate fully with the Secretary of Administration, the Director of the Continuity of Government Office and the Commonwealth Continuity of Government Steering Committee.

§ 6.485. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.486. Rescission.
Executive Order 2006-1 is rescinded.

Subchapter NN. [Reserved]

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter NN adopted by Executive Order No. 2012-06, dated April 30, 2012, 42 Pa.B. 3559; reserved by Executive Order No. 2015-09, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6804, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (361624) to (361626).
§§ 6.491—6.499. [Reserved].

Subchapter OO. [Reserved]

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter OO adopted by Executive Order No. 2012-07, dated April 30, 2012, 42 Pa.B. 3563; reserved by Executive Order No. 2015-10, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6799, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (361626) to (361628).

§§ 6.501—6.509. [Reserved].

Subchapter PP. [Reserved]

Source
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§§ 6.511—6.519. [Reserved].

Subchapter QQ. [Reserved]

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter QQ adopted by Executive Order No. 2012-10, dated July 9, 2012, 42 Pa.B. 5146; reserved by Executive Order No. 2015-08, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6802, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (364329) to (364330).

§§ 6.521—6.529. [Reserved].

Subchapter RR. PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY COMMUNITY PROTECTION COMMISSION

Sec.
6.531. Purpose.
6.532. Responsibilities.
6.533. Composition.
6.534. Terms of membership.
6.536. Effective date.
6.537. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter RR adopted by Executive Order No. 2012-12, dated September 17, 2012, 42 Pa.B. 7000, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.531. Purpose.
The purpose of the Pennsylvania Military Community Protection Commission (Commission) shall be to assist the Governor by providing recommendations and input to enhance the military value of installations, organizations and defense related regions within this Commonwealth by providing and implementing the requisite recommendations, policies, plans and processes to achieve that goal.
The Commission shall also assist in providing an understanding within the United States Department of Defense that this Commonwealth is a great place for the military and the defense related personnel and their families to live, work and recreate.

§ 6.532. Responsibilities.
(a) The responsibilities of the Pennsylvania Military Community Protection Commission (Commission) are to:
   (1) Closely monitor the activities at the Federal level regarding an initiative or proposal which will affect either positively or negatively a military installation or organization and defense related regions in this Commonwealth.
   (2) Establish a viable and long-term relationship with each military installation, organization and defense related region.
   (3) Assist with the expansion of economic development opportunities and defense related industry regions within this Commonwealth.
   (4) Educate and engage the stakeholders at the Federal, State and local levels and in the public and private sectors in the enhancement and preservation of military installations and organizations and defense related regions in this Commonwealth.
   (5) Advocate at the Federal, State and local levels for the enhancement of military installations and organizations and defense related regions in this Commonwealth so that these entities fully support the Nation’s military stationed at home and abroad.
   (6) Coordinate and provide oversight over all aspects of the Commonwealth’s initiative to enhance the military value of the installations and organizations and defense related regions in this Commonwealth.

(b) The Commission shall report its activities at least quarterly to the Governor or a designated representative.

(c) The Department of Community and Economic Development (Department) shall establish the Office of the Executive Director of the Commission and staff the office as deemed necessary by the Commission Chairperson and the Department to fulfill the Commission’s purpose and responsibilities. Consultants will be employed as deemed necessary by the Commission in consultation with the Department.

§ 6.533. Composition.
(a) The Lieutenant Governor shall serve as the Chairperson of the Pennsylvania Military Community Protection Commission (Commission). Other members of the Commission shall consist of the following:
   (1) Four members of the Military Installations and Base Development Caucus appointed as follows:
      (i) One member by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
      (ii) One member by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
      (iii) One member by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
      (iv) One member by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
   (2) A member appointed by the Governor who has experience at the senior level of the military and is familiar with the operations represented by the installations and organizations stationed in this Commonwealth.
(3) Other members, as appointed by the Governor, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, who are representatives of the military installations or organizations stationed in this Commonwealth and who have knowledge of the mission and operations of the installation or organization they will represent.

(4) An executive director, appointed by the Governor who is employed by the Department of Community and Economic Development, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(b) Members of the Commission receive no compensation for their services. Members will be reimbursed for travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.534 (relating to terms of membership).

§ 6.534. Terms of membership.
(a) Members shall be appointed for terms of 2 years and continue to serve until successors are appointed. A member may be reappointed for one or more additional terms. Members appointed by the Governor serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Pennsylvania Military Community Protection Commission (Commission), a successor shall be appointed in accordance with § 6.533 (relating to composition). The successor shall be appointed for a full 2-year term. A successor may be reappointed for one or more additional terms.

(c) A member who is absent from two consecutive meetings of the Commission, without excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Commission.

Commonwealth agencies, boards and commissions under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate fully with the Pennsylvania Military Community Protection Commission on the implementation of this subchapter.

§ 6.536. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.537. Termination date.
This subchapter will remain in effect unless revised or modified by the Governor.

Subchapter SS. PENNSYLVANIA JUSTICE NETWORK (JNET)
GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Sec.
6.541. Purpose.
6.542. JNET Governance Structure.
6.543. Effective date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter SS adopted by Executive Order No. 2014-02, dated March 18, 2014, 44 Pa.B. 2505, unless otherwise noted.
§ 6.541. Purpose.
The purpose of the JNET Governance Structure is to establish a strategic direction for the investment in information solutions across the Commonwealth’s technology enterprise and to direct implementation of a comprehensive integrated justice information system.

§ 6.542. JNET Governance Structure.
The JNET Governance Structure consists of an Executive Council, a Steering Committee and a JNET Office. Each entity will be responsible for fulfilling specific activities, as outlined in this section, necessary to support JNET.

(1) JNET Executive Council. The JNET Executive Council is responsible for establishing an overall policy and strategic vision for JNET. This vision should complement agency operations and ensure ongoing interagency cooperation and collaboration.

   (i) Composition. The JNET Executive Council will be comprised of chief executives from the justice and justice-affiliated organizations identified in this subparagraph. Agencies that provide information by means of JNET to JNET Executive Council member agencies may petition the JNET Executive Council and be granted membership based on a majority vote of the JNET Executive Council. Given the significance of JNET to the administration’s overall public safety initiatives, participants will be required to regularly represent their respective agencies at JNET Executive Council meetings. If the participant on the JNET Executive Council is not the chief executive, the designee must serve as a high-level decision maker from the agency.

   (A) Department of Corrections.
   (B) Pennsylvania State Police.
   (C) Board of Probation and Parole.
   (D) Commission on Crime and Delinquency.
   (E) Board of Pardons.
   (F) Juvenile Court Judges’ Commission.
   (G) Department of Public Welfare.
   (H) Department of Transportation.
   (I) Governor’s Policy Office.
   (J) Governor’s Office of Administration.
   (K) Office of the Budget.
   (L) Office of General Counsel.
   (M) Office of Inspector General.
   (N) Office of Administration, Deputy Secretary for Information Technology.
   (O) Office of Administration, JNET Executive Director.

   (P) Although participation on the JNET Executive Council by justice entities outside the Executive Branch, or outside the Governor’s jurisdiction, cannot be required under Executive Order, representation by the agencies in this clause is seen to be critical to the success of JNET and is strongly encouraged. As with the other JNET Executive Council appointments, a non-Executive Branch agency will be required to select a permanent designee who will represent the agency at JNET Executive Council meetings.
(i) Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.
(ii) Office of Attorney General.
(iii) Commission on Sentencing.

(ii) Chairperson. The Governor’s Policy Office representative will serve as the Chairperson of the JNET Executive Council for the purposes of convening meetings and conducting business. Except that the Governor may designate, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, another person from JNET Executive Council membership as Chairperson of the JNET Executive Council.

(2) JNET Steering Committee. The JNET Steering Committee shall establish a tactical plan for the deployment of JNET functionality and associated information sharing requirements. Policies set forth by the JNET Steering Committee must reflect the means by which participating agencies will share data stored in agency-specific information systems to maximize access to, and the use of, existing databases and platforms.

(i) Composition. The JNET Steering Committee will include representatives from the following agencies or any other agency granted membership on the JNET Executive Council, as selected by agency heads:

(A) Pennsylvania State Police.
(B) Department of Corrections.
(C) Board of Probation and Parole.
(D) Board of Pardons.
(E) Juvenile Court Judges’ Commission.
(F) Commission on Crime and Delinquency.
(G) Department of Public Welfare.
(H) Department of Transportation.
(I) Office of Attorney General.*
(J) Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.*
(K) Governor’s Policy Office.
(L) Office of Administration.
(M) Office of the Budget.
(N) Office of General Counsel.
(O) Office of Inspector General.
(P) Commission on Sentencing.*
(Q) At-large member.**
(R) At-large member.**
(S) At-large member.**
(T) Office of Administration, Deputy Secretary for Information Technology.
(U) Office of Administration, JNET Executive Director.

* Insofar as these organizations choose to participate on the JNET Executive Council.

** The JNET Steering Committee Chairperson may appoint up to three at-large members to the JNET Steering Committee. The at-large members may represent Federal, State, county or local criminal justice agencies. The at-large members will serve 2-year terms and will serve at the discretion of the Chairperson. During the 2-year term, the Chairperson can replace at will or reappoint as appropriate. At least two of the at-large members will be representative of county or local criminal justice agencies, or both.
JNET Steering Committee members may not be representatives of nongovernment organizations, quasigovernment organizations or associations.

(ii) **Chairperson.** In consultation with the JNET Executive Council, the Office of Administration will designate the JNET Steering Committee Chairperson.

(3) **JNET Office.** The JNET Office will be managed by an Executive Director who will direct day-to-day management, development and implementation of JNET.

(i) **Composition.** The Executive Director, in consultation with the Office of Administration’s Deputy Secretary for Information Technology and Deputy Secretary for Human Resources Management and the JNET Steering Committee, shall determine the appropriate staffing levels and associated classifications necessary to support JNET Office operations.

(ii) **Organizational location.** The JNET Office will be located within the Office of Administration, Office for Information Technology, and shall report to the Deputy Secretary for Information Technology. JNET Office priorities shall be established by the JNET Steering Committee within the overall strategic direction set forth by the JNET Executive Council.

§ 6.543. **Effective date.**
This subchapter takes effect immediately and remains in effect unless revised or modified by the Governor.

§ 6.544. **Rescission.**
Executive Order 1999-4 is rescinded.

Subchapter TT. **GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON VETERANS SERVICES**

Sec. 6.551. **Purpose.**

6.552. **Responsibilities.**

6.553. **Composition.**

6.554. **Responsibilities of Commonwealth agencies.**

6.555. **Effective date.**

6.556. **Termination date.**

**Source**
The provisions of this Subchapter TT adopted by Executive Order No. 2013-03, dated November 11, 2013, 44 Pa.B. 2617, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.551. **Purpose.**
The purpose of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Veterans Services is to review, evaluate and assess State veterans’ programs in collaboration with senior staff from State agencies and commissions to increase information sharing, ensure program fidelity, coordinate complementary programs and facilitate meaningful enhancements in service accessibility to veterans’ benefits and services within this Commonwealth.

**Cross References**
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.743 (relating to responsibilities).
§ 6.552. Responsibilities.
The responsibilities of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Veterans Services are to:

(1) Review, evaluate and maintain a comprehensive inventory of all programs within the Executive Branch regarding services and benefits for veterans.
(2) Serve as a coordinating body for agencies that are responsible for programs regarding services and benefits for veterans.
(3) Increase interoperability among administrators of veterans’ programs.
(4) Coordinate efforts to establish a compendium of veterans’ programs to enable quick reference and enhance access.
(5) Improve program fidelity by seeking input from the veterans’ community with a standardized pre-program and post-program survey.
(6) Report findings through the State Veterans Commission to the Governor.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.743 (relating to responsibilities).

§ 6.553. Composition.
(a) The Governor’s Advisory Council on Veterans Services (Council) shall consist of the following members, each of whom will be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor:

(1) The Deputy Adjutant General—Veterans Affairs from the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs, to serve as Chairperson.
(2) The Chairperson of the State Veterans Commission, to serve as Co-Chairperson.
(3) The Director of the Governor’s Policy Office or a designee.
(4) The Secretary of the Department of Education or a designee.
(5) The Secretary of the Department of Corrections or a designee.
(6) The Chairperson of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole or a designee.
(7) The Adjutant General of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
(8) The Secretary of Labor and Industry or a designee.
(9) The Secretary of the Department of Public Welfare or a designee.
(10) The Secretary of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs or a designee.
(11) A State Civil Service Commissioner who is a veteran as required under the act of October 5, 2011 (P.L. 310, No. 76). If more than one State Civil Service Commissioner is a veteran, the Governor will designate the State Civil Service Commissioner to serve on the Council.
(12) A designee of the Pennsylvania War Veterans Council.

(b) The Governor has the ability to appoint up to three at-large members to the Council. At-large members shall be veterans.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.743 (relating to responsibilities).
§ 6.554. Responsibilities of Commonwealth agencies.
Agencies, boards and commissions under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall provide an inventory of veterans’ services and programs upon request of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Veterans Services (Council). Each agency head shall designate one senior official who will be responsible for providing the Council with support, resources and information necessary to fulfill its duties.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.743 (relating to responsibilities).

§ 6.555. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.743 (relating to responsibilities).

§ 6.556. Termination date.
This subchapter remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.743 (relating to responsibilities).

Subchapter UU. [Reserved]

Source
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§§ 6.561—6.568. [Reserved].

Subchapter VV. [Reserved]

Source

§§ 6.571—6.579. [Reserved].

§ 6.580. [Reserved].

Source
Subchapter WW. GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON
LATINO AFFAIRS

Sec.
6.582. Composition.
6.583. Terms of membership.
6.585. Relationship with other agencies.
6.586. Reports.
6.588. Effective date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter WW adopted by Executive Order No. 2015-08, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6802, unless otherwise noted.

The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs shall:
(1) Advise the Governor on policies, procedures, legislation and regulations that affect the Latino community.
(2) Develop, review and recommend to the Governor policies in the areas of health and human services, housing, education, employment, business formation and other relevant areas which affect the Latino community.

(3) Provide appropriate assistance and advice to State agencies, including the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, and work with the Bureau of Workforce Planning, Development, and Equal Employment Opportunity within the Office of Human Resources and Management in the Governor’s Office of Administration to strengthen the enforcement of the Commonwealth’s antidiscriminatory hiring, retention and promotion policies.

(4) Serve as a liaison to Federal, State and local agencies to ensure that programs impacting the Latino community are effectively utilized and promoted.

(5) Serve as a resource for community groups and provide forums for developing strategies and programs that will expand and enhance the civic, social, educational, cultural and economic status of the Latino community.

(6) Identify programs, scholarships, mentoring programs, sources of funding or other resources for the benefit and advancement of Latinos.

(7) Promote the cultural arts of the Latino community throughout this Commonwealth.

§ 6.582. Composition.

(a) The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs (Commission) shall consist of no more than 30 members, appointed by the Governor, who are representatives of the Latino community in this Commonwealth or others who have an interest in the success of the Latino community and provide value to the work of the Commission.

(b) The Governor will designate one Commission member or the Executive Director of the Commission to serve as chairperson. The Governor may designate up to three Commission members or the Executive Director of the Commission to serve as vice-chairpersons of the Commission. The chairperson and vice-chairpersons shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(c) The Governor will appoint an Executive Director of the Commission who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and who may be a member of the Commission.

§ 6.583. Terms of membership.

(a) Members will be appointed for terms of 2 years and continue to serve until successors are appointed. A member may be reappointed for one or more additional terms. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs (Commission), the Governor will appoint a successor. The successor shall fulfill the remainder of the term. A successor so appointed may thereafter be reappointed for one or more additional terms.

(c) A member who is absent from two consecutive meetings of the Commission, without excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Commission.
Members of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs will not receive compensation for their service except that members may be reimbursed for travel in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.585. Relationship with other agencies.
Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs (Commission) to carry out its functions effectively. Independent agencies, State-affiliated entities and State-related institutions are strongly encouraged to work with the Commission to support its mission.

§ 6.586. Reports.
The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs may submit reports to the Governor or the Governor’s designee, as it deems necessary, on issues affecting Latinos in this Commonwealth.

(a) The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs (Commission) is authorized to establish subcommittees and rules and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions consistent with this subchapter. Subcommittees may include advisory nonmembers, if approved by the Commission chairperson.
(b) A majority of the Commissioners serving at any time constitutes a quorum.

§ 6.588. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately and remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

§ 6.589. Rescission.
Executive Order 2012-10 is rescinded.

Subchapter XX. GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN AFFAIRS
Sec.
6.591. Functions.
6.593. Terms of membership.
6.595. Relationship with other agencies.
6.596. Reports.
6.598. Effective date.
6.599. Rescission.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter XX adopted by Executive Order No. 2015-10, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6799, unless otherwise noted.
§ 6.591. Functions.
The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs shall:
(1) Advise the Governor on policies, procedures, legislation and regulations that affect the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities.
(2) Develop, review and recommend to the Governor policies in the areas of health and human services, housing, education, employment, business formation and other relevant areas which affect the AAPI communities.
(3) Provide appropriate assistance and advice to State agencies, including the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, and work with the Bureau of Workforce Planning, Development, and Equal Employment Opportunity within the Office of Human Resources and Management in the Governor’s Office of Administration to strengthen the enforcement of the Commonwealth’s antidiscriminatory hiring, retention and promotion policies.
(4) Serve as a liaison to Federal, State and local agencies to ensure that programs affecting AAPIs are effectively utilized and promoted.
(5) Serve as a resource for community groups and provide forums for developing strategies and programs that will expand and enhance the civic, social, educational, cultural and economic status of the AAPI communities.
(6) Identify programs, scholarships, mentoring programs, sources of funding or other resources for the benefit and advancement of AAPIs.
(7) Promote the cultural arts of the AAPI communities throughout this Commonwealth.

§ 6.592. Composition.
(a) The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs (Commission) will consist of no more than 30 members, to be appointed by the Governor, who are representatives of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities in this Commonwealth or others who have an interest in the success of the AAPI communities and provide value to the work of the Commission.
(b) The Governor will designate one Commission member to serve as chairperson. The Governor will designate one Commission member to serve as first vice-chairperson and two other Commission members to serve as second and third vice-chairpersons. The chairperson and the vice-chairpersons shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
(c) The Governor will appoint an Executive Director of the Commission who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

§ 6.593. Terms of membership.
(a) Members will be appointed for terms of 2 years and serve until successors are appointed. A member may be reappointed for one additional term. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs (Commission), the Governor will appoint a successor. The successor will be appointed to fulfill the remainder of the term. A successor so appointed may thereafter be reappointed for one additional term.
(c) A member who is absent from two consecutive meetings of the Commission, without excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Commission.
Members of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian American Affairs will not receive compensation for their service except that members may be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.595. Relationship with other agencies.
Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs (Commission) to carry out its functions effectively. Independent agencies, State-affiliated entities and State-related institutions are also strongly encouraged to work with the Commission to support its mission.

§ 6.596. Reports.
The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs shall submit reports to the Governor or the Governor’s designee, as it deems necessary, on issues affecting the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities in this Commonwealth.

§ 6.597. Procedures.
(a) The Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs (Commission) is authorized to establish subcommittees and rules and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions, consistent with this subchapter. Subcommittees may include advisory nonmembers if approved by the Commission chairperson.
(b) A majority of the Commissioners serving at any time constitutes a quorum.

§ 6.598. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately and remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

§ 6.599. Rescission.
Executive Order 2012-07 is rescinded.

Subchapter YY. [Reserved]

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter YY adopted by Executive Order No. 2015-09, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6804; reserved by Executive Order No. 2017-02, dated October 6, 2017, 47 Pa.B. 6927, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (379350) to (379352).
§§ 6.601—6.609. [Reserved].

Subchapter ZZ. GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON AFRICAN AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Sec. 6.611. Functions.
6.612. Composition.
6.613. Terms of membership.
6.615. Relationship with other agencies.
6.616. Reports.
6.618. Effective date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter ZZ adopted by Executive Order No. 2015-07, dated August 4, 2015, 45 Pa.B. 6797, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.611. Functions.
The Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs shall:
(1) Advise the Governor on policies, procedures, legislation and regulations that affect the African American community.
(2) Develop, review and recommend to the Governor policies in the areas of health and human services, housing, education, employment, business formation and other relevant areas which affect the African American community.
(3) Provide appropriate assistance and advice to State agencies, including the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, and work with the Bureau of Workforce Planning, Development, and Equal Employment Opportunity within the Office of Human Resources and Management in the Governor’s Office of Administration to strengthen the enforcement of the Commonwealth’s antidiscriminatory hiring, retention and promotion policies.
(4) Serve as a liaison to Federal, State and local agencies to ensure that programs impacting African Americans are effectively utilized.
(5) Serve as a resource for community groups and provide forums for developing strategies and programs that will expand and enhance the civic, social, educational, cultural and economic status of the African American community.
(6) Identify programs, scholarships, mentoring programs, sources of funding or other resources and compliance requirements for the benefit and advancement of African Americans.
(7) Promote the cultural arts of the African American community throughout this Commonwealth.

§ 6.612. Composition.
(a) The Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs (Commission) shall consist of no more than 20 members, to be appointed by the Governor, who are representatives of the African American community in this
Commonwealth or others who have an interest in the success of the African American community and provide value to the Commission.

(b) The Governor will designate one Commission member to serve as chairperson. The Governor may designate one Commission member to serve as the vice-chairperson. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(c) The Governor will appoint an Executive Director of the Commission who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and who may be a member of the Commission.

§ 6.613. Terms of membership.

(a) Members will be appointed for terms of 2 years and continue to serve until successors are appointed. A member may be reappointed for one or more additional terms. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(b) If a vacancy occurs on the Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs (Commission), the Governor will appoint a successor. The successor will be appointed to fulfill the remainder of the term. A successor so appointed may thereafter be reappointed for one or more additional terms.

(c) A member who is absent from two consecutive meetings, without excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Commission.


Members of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs will not receive compensation for their service, except that members may be reimbursed for travel in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.615. Relationship with other agencies.

Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs (Commission) to carry out its functions effectively. Independent agencies, State-affiliated entities and State-related institutions are strongly encouraged to work with the Commission to support its mission.

§ 6.616. Reports.

The Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs shall submit reports to the Governor or the Governor’s designee, as it deems necessary, on issues affecting African Americans in this Commonwealth.


(a) The Governor’s Advisory Commission on African American Affairs (Commission) is authorized to establish subcommittees and rules and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions, consistent with this subchapter. Subcommittees may include advisory nonmembers if approved by the Commission chairperson.

(b) A majority of the Commissioners serving at any time constitutes a quorum.
§ 6.618. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately and remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Executive Order 2012-08 is rescinded.

Subchapter AAA. GOVERNOR’S ADVISORY COUNCILS FOR HUNTING, FISHING AND CONSERVATION

Sec.
6.621. Purpose.
6.624. Terms of membership.
6.625. Staffing.
6.626. Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation.
6.627. Compensation.
6.629. Reports.
6.630. Effective date.
6.631. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter AAA adopted by Executive Order No. 2015-13, dated November 24, 2015, 46 Pa.B. 440, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.621. Purpose.
(a) The purpose of the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation is to provide a forum through which an open and forthright dialog will be fostered among a diverse group of outdoor recreation and conservation minded individuals to provide the Governor, Commonwealth officials and agencies with sound advice on matters pertaining to the conservation of wildlife and other natural resources in this Commonwealth, and on ways to protect, promote and enhance the outdoor heritage of this Commonwealth.

(b) The purpose of the Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation is to identify effective strategies for engaging younger generations in the conservation and preservation of this Commonwealth’s natural resources and the enhancement of this Commonwealth’s hunting and fishing heritage.

The responsibilities of the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation are to:

(1) Review and make written recommendations to the Governor regarding any issue appropriate for governmental action that might affect the recreational use and conservation of this Commonwealth’s wildlife and other natural resources.

(2) Review and make written recommendations to the Governor on policies proposed or adopted, or regulations proposed or promulgated, by the Fish and Boat Commission, the Game Commission, the Department of Conservation,

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and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Agriculture that might affect the recreational use and conservation of this Commonwealth’s wildlife and other natural resources.

(3) Review and make written recommendations to the Governor regarding pending legislation that might affect the recreational use and conservation of this Commonwealth’s wildlife and other natural resources.

(4) Upon request of the Governor, and in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, recruit candidates to serve on the boards of the Fish and Boat Commission, the Fish and Boat Commission’s Boating Advisory Board and the Game Commission endeavoring to reflect the broad gender, racial and ethnic makeup of the constituencies these entities serve.

(5) Upon request of the Governor, and in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, review the qualifications of candidates seeking nomination to the boards of the Fish and Boat Commission, the Fish and Boat Commission’s Boating Advisory Board and the Game Commission providing recommendations regarding candidates to the Governor.

(6) Upon request of the Governor, and in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, provide advice and recommendations to the Governor concerning board members of the Fish and Boat Commission, the Fish and Boat Commission’s Boating Advisory Board and the Game Commission who seek appointment to a second term or third term as a member of those boards.

(7) Convene at least four times a year and at the call of the Chairperson.

(8) In consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources establish guidelines for the Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation.

(9) Adopt rules of procedure consistent with the provisions of this subchapter.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.626 (relating to Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation).

The members of the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation (Council) will be appointed by the Governor. The membership of the Council shall consist of the following:

(1) The Chairperson, who will be appointed by the Governor, and, on behalf of the Council, will direct its activities and agenda, conduct its meetings and be primarily responsible for advising the Governor on matters pertaining to the purposes of the Council.

(2) No more than 20 residents of this Commonwealth representing diverse interests, all of whom shall have a fundamental understanding of wildlife and the natural resources of this Commonwealth and respect hunting, trapping, angling and other outdoor recreational activities as valuable and accepted priorities in determining wildlife and natural resource management.
Elected Statewide officials, legislators or officials/employees of the Fish and Boat Commission, the Game Commission, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Agriculture, or their family members, are not eligible for membership on the Council.

§ 6.624. Terms of membership.
(a) Members of the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation (Council) will be appointed for a term of 1 year and will continue to serve thereafter until their successors have been appointed and qualified. A member may be reappointed for one or more additional terms. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
(b) A member who is absent, without excuse, from more than two meetings within the calendar year shall forfeit membership on the Council.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.626 (relating to Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation).

§ 6.625. Staffing.
The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall provide staff resources to support the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation.

§ 6.626. Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation.
(a) The Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation (Youth Council) is created separate and apart from the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation (Council).
(b) The Youth Council shall be comprised of up to 20 individuals, 14 years of age through 18 years of age, for the purpose of communicating their ideas and recommendations through the Council to the Governor and the Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
(c) The Youth Council shall deliberate on all forms of outdoor recreation, including how to best engage their generation and future generations in the conservation and preservation of this Commonwealth’s natural resources and the enhancement of this Commonwealth’s hunting and fishing heritage.
(d) The Youth Council may, as the Council deems necessary, contribute to the fulfillment of the duties in § 6.622 (relating to responsibilities), specifically paragraphs (1)—(3).
(e) The terms of Youth Council membership are governed by § 6.624 (relating to terms of membership).

§ 6.627. Compensation.
Members of the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation and the Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation will not receive compensation for their service, except that members may be reimbursed for travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).
State agencies shall cooperate fully with the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation (Council) and upon request shall provide assistance and support as needed by the Council to carry out its responsibilities.

§ 6.629. Reports.
By no later than December 31 of each calendar year, the Governor’s Advisory Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation (Council) shall submit an annual report to the Governor outlining the Council’s and Governor’s Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing and Conservation’s activities and accomplishments.

§ 6.630. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.631. Termination date.
This chapter shall remain in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Effective immediately, Executive Order 2012-02 is rescinded.

Subchapter BBB. PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

Sec.
6.641. Functions.
6.642. Composition.
6.643. Terms of membership.
6.645. Relationship with other agencies.
6.646. Procedures.
6.647. Effective date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter BBB adopted by Executive Order No. 2017-02, dated October 6, 2017, 47 Pa.B. 6927; corrected, 47 Pa.B. 7174, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.641. Functions.
The Pennsylvania Commission for Women shall:
(1) Work with the Administration on policies, procedures, legislation and regulations that affect women.
(2) Support economic and civic opportunities for women.
(3) Support mentoring programs for girls and young women.
(4) Serve as a resource for women and community groups by identifying and supporting strategies and programs that will expand and enhance the civic, social, educational, cultural and economic status of women, and providing constituent guidance as necessary.
(5) Identify, and help build, programs and opportunities for the benefit and advancement of women.
§ 6.642. Composition.
   (a) The Pennsylvania Commission for Women (Commission) shall consist of no more than 30 volunteer members appointed by the Governor who represent a diverse population within this Commonwealth. The Governor will invite a member of each of the four legislative caucuses in the General Assembly to serve on the Commission.
   (b) Appointees shall have an interest in improving the status of women in this Commonwealth, commit to volunteer their time to and further the mission and work of the Commission, and support the Governor’s legislative efforts as it positively impacts the women and girls of this Commonwealth.
   (c) The Governor will designate one member of the Commission to serve as chairperson. The Governor may designate one or more Commission members to serve in leadership positions as needed. Commission leadership shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
   (d) The Governor will appoint a member of his staff to serve as Executive Director of the Commission, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

§ 6.643. Terms of membership.
   (a) Members will be appointed for terms of 2 years and serve until their respective successors are appointed. A member may be reappointed for one or more additional terms. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and adhere to a policy setting forth Commissioner responsibilities and expectations as may be promulgated by the Executive Director and the Pennsylvania Commission for Women (Commission chairperson).
   (b) If a vacancy occurs on the Commission, the Governor will appoint a successor. The successor shall fulfill the remainder of the term. The successor may thereafter be reappointed for one or more additional terms.
   (c) A member who is absent from two consecutive meetings of the Commission, without sufficient excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Commission.

   Members of the Pennsylvania Commission for Women will not receive compensation for their service except that members may, upon request, be reimbursed for travel in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.645. Relationship with other agencies.
   Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Pennsylvania Commission for Women (Commission) to carry out its functions effectively. Independent agencies, State-affiliated entities and State-related institutions are also strongly encouraged to work with the Commission to support its mission.

§ 6.646. Procedures.
   (a) The Pennsylvania Commission for Women (Commission) is authorized to establish subcommittees, rules and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions, consistent with this subchapter. Subcommittees may include advisory nonmembers if approved by the Commission’s chairperson and Executive Director.
(b) A majority of the Commissioners serving at any time constitutes a quorum.

§ 6.647. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately and remains in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Executive Order 2015-09 is rescinded.

Subchapter CCC. PENNSYLVANIA EARLY LEARNING INVESTMENT COMMISSION

Sec.
6.651. Purpose.
6.653. Composition.
6.654. Term.
6.655. Relationship with other agencies.
6.656. Relationship with Team Pennsylvania Foundation.
6.657. Effective date.
6.658. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter CCC adopted by Executive Order No. 2017-05, dated December 20, 2017, 48 Pa.B. 214, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.651. Purpose.
The purpose of the Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission is to secure support for public investment in early learning by focusing on practices that are educationally, economically and scientifically sound.

The Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission (Commission) will meet at least twice a year and have the following powers and duties:

1. Recommend strategies for the Commonwealth to engage business and civic leaders and organizations in early learning planning and advocacy at the State and local level.
2. Increase business, civic and public awareness of the importance of early childhood education.
3. Make recommendations as to the planning, implementing and hosting of an Annual Economic Summit on Early Childhood Investment that will include outreach to business, civic, educational and governmental leaders.
4. Make recommendations as to the planning and implementing of an annual meeting for legislators and legislative staff to understand the economic educational and social impact of investing in quality early childhood education.
5. Develop and recommend updates to a multiyear plan for the expansion of effective early childhood services.
6. Identify private sector financial support for early learning projects throughout this Commonwealth and match those funding sources with needs identified in the local community.
(7) Facilitate the creation of sustainable funding sources and early learning projects within a permanent sustainable network of private and public-sector funding streams.

(8) Consult or engage experts, economists, consultants, advisors or other personnel to assist with the Commission’s mission, duties and responsibilities.

§ 6.653. Composition.

(a) The Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission (Commission) shall consist of the following members, who collectively will be diverse and represent the Commonwealth’s population:

(1) Secretary of the Budget.
(2) Secretary of Planning and Policy.
(3) Secretary of Community and Economic Development.
(4) Secretary of Corrections.
(5) Secretary of Education.
(6) Secretary of Human Services.
(7) Deputy Secretary of the Office of Child Development and Early Learning.
(8) High-level business executives representing the diversity of economic sectors and regions in this Commonwealth appointed by the Governor.
(9) The Chairperson and Co-Chairperson of the Early Learning Council.

(b) The Governor will designate a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson or may designate two persons as Co-Chairpersons from among Commission members. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, or Co-Chairpersons as may be designated by the Governor, shall appoint members to a Nominating Committee, which will make recommendations to the Governor for Commission membership.

§ 6.654. Term.

Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission (Commission) members appointed by the Governor and not serving by virtue of an official position with the Commonwealth will serve for a term of 3 years and continue to serve until a successor is appointed. Members will serve without compensation except for payment of necessary and actual expenses incurred in attending meetings and in performing their duties and responsibilities as Commission members. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.655. Relationship with other agencies.

Commonwealth agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction will cooperate with, provide assistance to and review the recommendations of the Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission with respect to its purpose, powers and duties.

§ 6.656. Relationship with Team Pennsylvania Foundation.

The Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission shall work jointly with Team Pennsylvania Foundation in furtherance of their common mission, duties and responsibilities to develop and sustain educational opportunities in this Commonwealth, particularly early learning, development and education of young children.
§ 6.657. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.658. Termination date.
This subchapter remains in effect unless amended or rescinded by the Governor.

Executive Order 2008-08 is rescinded.

Subchapter DDD. GOVERNOR’S INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL

Sec. 6.661. Purpose.
(a) The Governor’s Invasive Species Council (Council) shall provide a forum through which multiple State agencies and nongovernmental entities meet with a common purpose of identifying invasive species of concern that currently or could potentially threaten this Commonwealth’s natural and agricultural resources and the industries they support.
(b) The Council shall:
   (1) Advise the Governor on and direct the development and implementation of a State invasive species management plan.
   (2) Provide guidance on prevention, control and rapid response initiatives.
   (3) Facilitate coordination among Federal, regional, State and local efforts.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.667 (relating to reports).

§ 6.662. Responsibilities.
The Governor’s Invasive Species Council (Council) shall:
   (1) Develop and implement a comprehensive invasive species management plan for the Commonwealth and revise the plan at regular 5-year intervals or as needed.
   (2) Provide guidance on prevention and control of invasive species and rapid response to new infestations. The Council shall utilize scientific methods and procedures to assist in developing guidance. In providing guidance on
whether control measures are necessary, the Council may consider the potential for wide-spread harm to public health, an ecological system or negative economic impact derived from a species.

(3) Facilitate coordination among Federal, regional, State and local initiatives and organizations engaged in the management of invasive species.

(4) Convene at least quarterly and at the call of the Chairperson of the Council.

(5) Adopt rules of procedures consistent with this subchapter.

**Cross References**

This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.667 (relating to reports).

§ 6.663. Composition.

(a) The members of the Governor’s Invasive Species Council (Council) will be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The membership of the Council shall include agency heads of the Commonwealth or their designees responsible for the conservation of agricultural and natural resources and the protection of public health, including:

(1) Secretary of Agriculture, who will serve as Chairperson of the Council.

(2) Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(3) Secretary of Environmental Protection.

(4) Secretary of Health.

(5) Secretary of Transportation.

(6) Executive Director of the Fish and Boat Commission.

(7) Executive Director of the Game Commission.

(b) The Council will be staffed by an employee of the Department of Agriculture. The Council will have up to 14 members of the public representing agriculture, natural resource organizations, educational institutions conducting invasive species research and outreach, conservation districts, municipal and county government associations, and the transportation sector. The members of the public will be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. A member of the public appointed to the Council under this subsection may have a designee act on the member’s behalf if the member first provides the Chairperson a copy of the member’s written designation authorizing the designee to so act. The Governor will fill vacancies that may occur and may remove a member from the Council at his discretion.

**Cross References**

This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.667 (relating to reports).

§ 6.664. Terms of membership.

Governor’s Invasive Species Council members appointed by the Governor and not serving by virtue of their official position with the Commonwealth will serve for a term of 4 years and continue to serve thereafter until their successor is appointed. A member may be reappointed for an additional term of 4 years.

**Cross References**

This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.667 (relating to reports).
Members of the Governor’s Invasive Species Council will not receive compensation for their service, except that members may, upon request, be reimbursed for travel and other related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.667 (relating to reports).

Commonwealth agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction will cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed to the Governor’s Invasive Species Council to carry out its responsibilities as set forth in this subchapter.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.667 (relating to reports).

§ 6.667. Reports.
In addition to the recommendations in §§ 6.661—6.666, the Governor’s Invasive Species Council (Council) shall submit to the Governor a biennial report on the Council’s activities.

§ 6.668. Effective date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.669. Termination date.
This subchapter shall remain in effect unless amended or rescinded by the Governor.

Executive Order 2004-01 is rescinded.

Subchapter EEE. PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Sec.
6.681. Purpose.
6.682. Membership.
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6.689. Meetings.
6.692. Effective date.
6.693. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter EEE adopted by Executive Order No. 2018-04, dated July 11, 2018, 48 Pa.B. 4487; amended by Executive Order No. 2018-04 Amended, dated August 2, 2018, 48 Pa.B. 7386, unless otherwise noted. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (392870) to (392874) and (393173).
§ 6.681. Purpose.
The purpose of the Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board (Board) is to assist the Governor in:

(1) Reviewing and coordinating State workforce development policies, initiatives, strategies and programs.
(2) Recommending actions to create an aligned, streamlined and improved workforce development system, including the one-stop service delivery system.
(3) Ensuring and facilitating coordination among the following Commonwealth agencies in the development and evaluation of policies, initiatives, strategies and programs to address current and emerging workforce needs:
   (i) Department of Aging.
   (ii) Department of Agriculture.
   (iii) Department of Community and Economic Development.
   (iv) Department of Corrections.
   (v) Department of Education.
   (vi) Department of Human Services.
   (vii) Department of Labor and Industry.
(4) Developing, implementing and modifying the State’s workforce development plan.
(5) Reviewing and approving regional and local workforce development plans consistent with the State workforce development plan.
(6) Designating local workforce development areas and developing workforce development funding allocation formulas.
(7) Developing and updating State performance accountability measures and tracking progress toward implementation of the State’s workforce development plan.
(8) Collaborating and coordinating with State boards and commissions that shape the economic development and education systems of the Commonwealth to develop Statewide policies that improve workforce development alignment and outcomes across those systems, which may include the following:
   (i) State Board of Education.
   (ii) Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority.
   (iii) Pennsylvania Apprenticeship and Training Council.
   (iv) State Board of Vocational Rehabilitation.
   (v) Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges.
   (vi) Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.
   (vii) State-related universities.
   (viii) Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.
   (ix) Pennsylvania Early Learning Council.
   (x) Early Learning Investment Commission.
   (xi) Pennsylvania Reentry Council.
   (xii) Governor’s Advisory Council on Library Development.
   (xiii) Pennsylvania Council on Aging.
   (xiv) Pennsylvania Commission for Agriculture Education Excellence.
(9) Ensuring that the policies, performance measures, goals and resource strategies implemented by the Board are developed with appropriate and meaningful engagement of individuals and entities impacted and served by the Commonwealth’s workforce development system.
(10) Developing accessible workforce and labor market information.
(11) Coordinating the provision of services among State agencies consistent with the laws and regulations governing workforce development programs and the State’s workforce development plan.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.685 (relating to Executive Director and staff); 4 Pa. Code § 6.686 (relating to responsibilities of State agencies); and 4 Pa. Code § 6.687 (relating to reporting).

§ 6.682. Membership.
The membership of the Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board (Board) shall be in accordance with the requirements for State workforce development boards found in section 101 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C.A. § 3111). Board members shall serve or be appointed as follows:

(1) The Governor or a designee.
(2) Two members of each chamber of the General Assembly or a designee.
(3) The following representatives appointed by the Governor:
   (i) A majority of appointees to the Board shall be representatives of the private sector business community in this Commonwealth, including small business owners, chief executive or operating officers, or other business executives with optimum policymaking or hiring authority, including members of local workforce development boards and employers that reflect the current and emerging workforce needs of this Commonwealth.
   (ii) At least 20% of appointees to the Board shall be representatives of workforce and community organizations in this Commonwealth.
      (A) Membership shall include representatives of labor organizations, who have been nominated by State labor federations.
      (B) Membership shall include a representative, who shall be a member of a labor organization or a training director, from a joint labor-management apprenticeship program, or if a joint program does not exist in this Commonwealth, a representative of an apprenticeship program in this Commonwealth.
      (C) Membership may include representatives of community-based organizations that have demonstrated experience and expertise in addressing the employment, training or education needs of individuals with barriers to employment, including organizations that serve veterans or that provide or support competitive, integrated employment for individuals with disabilities.
      (D) Membership may include representatives of organizations that have demonstrated experience and expertise in addressing the employment, training or education needs of eligible youth, including representatives of organizations that serve out-of-school youth.
   (iii) The remaining appointees to the Board shall be representatives of government, including:
      (A) Chief local elected officials.
      (B) Members of the Governor’s cabinet as follows:
         1 The Secretary of Aging or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Aging and serves as a member of the Secretary of Aging’s executive team.
2 The Secretary of Agriculture or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Agriculture and serves as a member of the Secretary of Agriculture’s executive team.

3 The Secretary of Community and Economic Development or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Community and Economic Development and serves as a member of the Secretary of Community and Economic Development’s executive team.

4 The Secretary of Corrections or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Corrections and serves as a member of the Secretary of Corrections’ executive team.

5 The Secretary of Education or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Education and serves as a member of the Secretary of Education’s executive team.

6 The Secretary of Human Services or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Human Services and serves as a member of the Secretary of Human Services’ executive team.

7 The Secretary of Labor and Industry or designee who oversees workforce development within the Department of Labor and Industry and serves as a member of the Secretary of Labor and Industry’s executive team.

(C) The Secretary of Policy and Planning, Office of the Governor or a designee.

(D) Any other representative or State official the Governor may designate.

(4) Board members appointed by the Governor shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(5) The Board’s membership shall reflect the diversity of this Commonwealth.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.685 (relating to Executive Director and staff).

§ 6.683. Terms.
The Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board shall establish staggered terms for members.

§ 6.684. Chair.
The Governor will designate one private-sector business member to serve as chair. The chair shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

§ 6.685. Executive Director and staff.
(a) The Governor will appoint an Executive Director to oversee the Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board’s (Board) operations.

(b) The Executive Director shall have the authority to hire staff to carry out the Board’s duties and responsibilities.

(c) The Executive Director shall report directly to the Secretary of Labor and Industry and the Secretary of Policy and Planning on the work of the Board.

(d) The Executive Director shall regularly convene meetings with the agency secretaries or designees who oversee workforce development within the agencies and serve as members of the secretaries’ executive teams listed in
§ 6.682(3)(iii)(B) (relating to membership) to ensure the Board is meeting its purpose as set out in § 6.681 (relating to purpose).

(a) Executive State agencies listed in § 6.681(3) (relating to purpose) shall identify:
   1) A designated workforce development representative who oversees or coordinates workforce development within the agency and serves as a member of the secretary’s executive team.
   2) An agency policy director or designee, to provide support and participate in activities coordinated by the Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board (Board).
(b) All executive State agencies shall respond to recommendations made by the Board regarding the State and Federal workforce development policies and other recommendations of the Board directly related to the development, implementation, improvement and operation of the Commonwealth’s workforce development system.
(c) All executive State agencies shall give to the Board any necessary staffing, equipment, data and any other resources or assistance required by the Board in the performance of its operations, duties and responsibilities so far as is compatible with the authority and ability of each State agency.
(d) All executive State agencies shall work in cooperation with the Board to develop and drive one coordinated State workforce development policy.

§ 6.687. Reporting.
(a) The Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board (Board) shall report to the Secretary of Policy and Planning on a quarterly basis on the progress it is making toward responsibilities included in § 6.681 (relating to purpose).
(b) The Board shall report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the Board’s progress, including key performance metrics tied to the effectiveness of Statewide and regional workforce development systems and the impact of the Board’s work in achieving goals articulated in the State’s workforce development plan. The report shall be made available to the public on the Department of Labor and Industry’s web site.

The Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board shall recommend bylaws governing its operations to the Governor for approval.

§ 6.689. Meetings.
The Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board shall meet as it deems necessary to fulfill its responsibilities.

§ 6.690. Committees.
The Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board (Board) shall have the authority to establish, appoint members and delegate duties to committees as it deems necessary to fulfill its duties and responsibilities. All committees shall be chaired by a member of the Board.
Members of the Pennsylvania Workforce Development Board (Board) shall not receive compensation for their service on the Board. Members shall receive reimbursement for reasonable travel costs and expenditures incurred while performing Board business.

§ 6.692. Effective Date.
This subchapter takes effect immediately.

§ 6.693. Termination Date.
This subchapter shall remain in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Subchapter FFF. PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON LGBTQ AFFAIRS

Sec.
6.701. Functions.
6.702. Composition.
6.703. Terms of membership.
6.705. Relationship with other agencies.
6.706. Reports.
6.708. Effective date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter FFF adopted by Executive Order No. 2018-06, dated August 6, 2018, 48 Pa.B. 5442, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.701. Functions.
The Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs:
(1) Advises the Governor on policies, procedures, legislation and regulations that impact LGBTQ individuals and communities.
(2) Develops, reviews and recommends to the Governor policies in the areas of health and human services, housing, education, employment, business formation and other relevant areas which impact LGBTQ individuals and communities.
(3) Provides appropriate assistance and advice to the Department of General Services and the Department of Community and Economic Development, and works with the Bureau of Workforce Planning, Development, and Equal Employment Opportunity, within the Office of Human Resources and Management, in the Governor’s Office of Administration, to strengthen the enforcement of the Commonwealth’s anti-discriminatory hiring, retention and promotion policies
(4) Serves as a liaison to Federal, State and local agencies to ensure that programs affecting LGBTQ individuals and communities are effectively utilized and promoted.
(5) Serves as a resource for community groups and provide forums for developing strategies and programs that will expand and enhance the civic, social, educational, cultural and economic status of LGBTQ individuals and communities.

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(6) Identifies programs, scholarships, mentoring programs, sources of funding or other resources for the benefit and advancement of LGBTQ individuals and communities.

(7) Promotes the cultural arts of LGBTQ communities throughout this Commonwealth.

(8) Communicates activities and initiatives of State government that impact or otherwise may affect LGBTQ communities in this Commonwealth.

§ 6.702. Composition.

(a) The Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs (Commission) shall consist of no more than 40 members, to be appointed by the Governor, who are representatives of this Commonwealth’s LGBTQ communities or others who have an interest in the success of the LGBTQ communities and provide value to the work of the Commission.

(b) The Governor shall designate one Commission member to serve as Chairperson. The Governor shall designate one Commission member to serve as first Vice-Chairperson and another Commission member to serve as second Vice-Chairperson. The Chairperson and all Vice-Chairpersons shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(c) The Governor shall appoint an Executive Director of the Commission, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Executive Director will report to the Secretary of the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.

§ 6.703. Terms of membership.

(a) Members will be appointed for terms of 2 years and serve until their respective successors are appointed. A member may be reappointed for one or more additional terms. All members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and adhere to policy setting forth Commissioner responsibilities and expectations as may be promulgated from time to time by the Executive Director and the Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs (Commission) Chairperson.

(b) Should a vacancy occur on the Commission, the Governor shall appoint a successor. The successor shall be appointed to fulfill the remainder of the term. A successor so appointed may thereafter be reappointed for one or more additional terms.

(c) A member who is absent from two consecutive meetings of the Commission, without sufficient excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Commission.


Members of the Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs will not receive compensation for their service, except that members may be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.705. Relationship with other agencies.

Agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs (Commission) to carry out its functions effectively. Independent agencies, State-affiliated entities and State-related institutions also are strongly encouraged to work with the Commission to support its mission.
§ 6.706. Reports.
   The Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs shall submit an annual report to the Governor or the Governor’s designee and the Secretary of the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, and other reports as it deems necessary, on issues affecting LGBTQ communities in this Commonwealth.

   (a) The Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs (Commission) is authorized to establish subcommittees, rules and procedures for the effective implementation of its functions, consistent with this subchapter, which subcommittees may include advisory nonmembers, if approved by the Commission Chairperson and the Executive Director.
   (b) The Commission will establish a State Government Subcommittee (Subcommittee) for the purpose of supporting the mission of the Commission in Commonwealth agencies. This Subcommittee will be chaired by the Executive Director and, as appropriate, co-chaired by a member of the Governor’s Cabinet, and will work with the Secretary of Intergovernmental Affairs to support the mission of the Commission and accomplish the work of the Commission in the executive agencies. The Subcommittee will be comprised of members of the Governor’s Cabinet or their respective designees, and other individuals deemed necessary to accomplish the work of the Subcommittee.
   (c) A majority of the Commissioners serving at any time shall constitute a quorum.

§ 6.708. Effective date.
   This subchapter takes effect immediately and shall continue in effect unless revised or modified by the Governor.

Subchapter GGG. PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS) ACTION TEAM

Sec.
6.711. Functions.
6.712. Composition.
6.713. Effective Date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter GGG adopted by Executive Order No. 2018-08, dated September 19, 2018, 48 Pa.B. 6382, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.711. Functions.
   The Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Action Team:
   a. Ensure drinking water is safe. Identify impacted locations and resources and create and implement an action plan to assist State and local authorities and public water systems in delivering safe drinking water.
   b. Manage environmental PFAS contamination. Develop and implement environmental response protocols for all positively identified sites.
   c. Develop specialized site plans, engaging the public and other relevant stakeholders, where appropriate.
d. Reduce risks to drinking water and the environment from firefighting foam and other sources of PFAS. Identify PFAS uses that are most likely to pose a risk to human health and the environment, such as the use of firefighting foam, industrial releases, carpets, food packaging materials and other uses. Develop recommendations and actions that can be taken to limit or control these and other sources of PFAS.

e. Develop a clearinghouse of information on PFAS. Establish a public information site and protocol to effectively inform and educate the public about PFAS.

f. Establish a standard process for sharing pertinent information between all members of the Task Force.

g. Explore avenues of funding for remediation efforts.

h. Engage with academic institutions and experts in the fields such as public health and environmental remediation, among others, when necessary.

§ 6.712. Composition.

a. The Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Action Team shall consist of:

(1) the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection, who will serve as the Chairperson of the Action Team;

(2) the Secretary of the Department of Health;

(3) the Secretary of the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs;

(4) the Secretary of the Department of Community and Economic Development;

(5) the Secretary of the Department of Transportation (PennDOT);

(6) the Secretary of Agriculture; and

(7) the State Fire Commissioner.

b. The Secretary of the Department of Labor and Industry, the Executive Director of the Fish and Boat Commission, and the Chairperson of the Public Utility Commission may participate in the functions of the PFAS Action Team as requested by the chair.

c. Each agency Secretary, Executive Director, and Chairperson on the PFAS Action Team may designate an appropriate member of their staff to participate on their behalf.

§ 6.713. Effective Date.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until amended or rescinded by the Governor.
The Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission shall recommend methods and policies to facilitate the most complete and accurate census count in the year 2020, including implementing strategies to reach hard-to-count populations and hard-to-enumerate areas.

The Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission shall coordinate this Commonwealth’s involvement in preparing for the decennial census and recommend actions necessary to complete the following:

(a) Coordinate the Commonwealth’s involvement in the U.S. Census Bureau’s recruitment of Pennsylvanians to assist in a variety of census-related activities.
(b) Promote and educate Pennsylvanians regarding the importance of the census.
(c) Develop partnerships between the public and private sectors to maximize resources used to achieve a complete and accurate count.
(d) Implement cooperative arrangements among local governments, nonprofit organizations, and other public and private entities to share addresses and other geographic information.
(e) Develop and implement strategies to reach hard-to-count populations and hard-to-enumerate areas.

§ 6.723. Composition.
The Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission (Commission) shall consist of up to 45 individual members appointed by the Governor, including representation from business, academia, community and nonprofit organizations, religious communities, health care communities, elected and appointed officials and employees from all levels of government, and the Pennsylvania State Data Center, as necessary.

(a) The Governor will designate a chairperson or chairpersons who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
(b) The following individuals shall serve as ex-officio members:
   (1) A representative from the Office of the Governor
   (2) Executive Director of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on African-American Affairs
   (3) Executive Director of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs
   (4) Executive Director of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs
   (5) Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Commission for Women
   (6) Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQ Affairs
(7) Secretary of Aging
(8) Secretary of Agriculture
(9) Secretary of Banking and Securities
(10) Secretary of the Commonwealth
(11) Secretary of Community and Economic Development
(12) Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources
(13) Secretary of Corrections
(14) Secretary of Drug and Alcohol Programs
(15) Secretary of Education
(16) Secretary of Environmental Protection
(17) Secretary of General Services
(18) Secretary of Health
(19) Secretary of Human Services
(20) Secretary of Labor and Industry
(21) Adjutant General
(22) Secretary of Revenue
(23) Secretary of Transportation
(24) Director of Emergency Management
(25) Insurance Commissioner
(26) Pennsylvania State Police Commissioner
(27) A legislator appointed from each of the four legislative caucuses of the Pennsylvania General Assembly
(c) Each member may designate a person to represent them on the Commission.

§ 6.724. Terms of Membership.
(a) All members shall be appointed for terms commensurate with the life of the Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission (Commission). All members appointed by the Governor shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
(b) Should a vacancy occur on the Commission, the Governor will appoint a successor, who shall serve the duration of the unexpired term.
(c) The Term of the Commission shall commence on the Effective Date of this Executive Order and shall expire on March 31, 2021, the Termination Date of this Executive Order.

Members of the Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission shall receive no compensation for their service, except that such members may be reimbursed for actual travel and related expenses in accordance with the Commonwealth’s travel and subsistence policies. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.726. Reports.
The Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission (Commission) shall provide a report to the Governor at least twice: once, prior to April 1, 2020, on the status of this Commonwealth’s activities leading up to the Census 2020; and once, prior to its expiration, on the Commission’s activity, including recommendations for improving the census process, for utilization in advance of the 2030 Census.
§ 6.727. Meetings and Communications.
The Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission (Commission) shall meet as necessary to carry out the functions of the Commission and, at least quarterly between the Effective Date of this Executive Order and June 30, 2020.

All agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction and represented on the Governor’s Census 2020 Complete Count Commission (Commission) shall cooperate and provide assistance as needed to the Commission in performing its functions. The Commission will receive administrative services and assistance from the Center for Local Government Services in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

§ 6.729. Effective Date.
This subchapter shall be effective immediately.

§ 6.730. Termination Date.
This subchapter shall terminate on March 31, 2021.

Subchapter III. PENNSYLVANIA REDISTRICTING REFORM COMMISSION

Sec.
6.731. Purpose.
6.733. Composition.
6.737. Staff.
6.738. Effective date.
6.739. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter III adopted by Executive Order No. 2018-07, dated November 29, 2018, 49 Pa.B. 593, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.731. Purpose.
The purpose of the Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission is to study best practices related to nonpartisan redistricting process, engage the public in a dialogue around principles for a nonpartisan redistricting process, and make recommendations to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the Senate, Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, Minority Leader of the Senate, and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives to inform the redistricting process.

The Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission (Commission) shall:
(a) Evaluate and analyze recommendations to improve the integrity and fairness of the Commonwealth’s congressional and legislative redistricting process.
(b) Review policies and practices implemented in other states that have reduced gerrymandering in the redistricting process.

(c) Create opportunities for citizens to engage in the Commission’s work through public meetings and an online web submission form.

(d) Develop recommendations and criteria to minimize the partisan political influence on congressional and legislative redistricting processes.

(e) Provide nonpartisan redistricting recommendations and best practices for the Governor to utilize during the redistricting process.

(f) Provide nonpartisan redistricting recommendations and best practices for the Legislature to utilize during the redistricting process.

(g) Undertake any additional work related to redistricting as requested by the Governor.

Cross References
This section cited in 4 Pa. Code § 6.735 (relating to report).

§ 6.733. Composition.
(a) The Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission (Commission) consists of the following voting members:

(1) Two members of the Pennsylvania Senate, one appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;

(2) Two members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, one appointed by the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives;

(3) The Secretary of the Commonwealth or a designee;

(4) Two individuals from institutions of higher education;

(5) One individual from a nonpartisan voter advocacy organization;

(6) One individual from a nonpartisan government reform organization;

(7) One former elected official who does not currently hold elected office; and

(8) Up to five citizen appointees.

(b) The voting members identified in paragraph (a)(3)—(8) shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Should a vacancy occur among the Governor’s appointees on the Commission, the Governor will appoint a successor.

(c) The Governor will designate a chairperson or chairpersons who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(d) The Commission’s membership shall reflect the diversity of the Commonwealth.

§ 6.734. Procedures.
(a) The Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission (Commission) may establish committees, rules, and procedures needed to effectively implement its powers and duties included in this subchapter. Subcommittees may include advisory nonmembers, if approved by the Commission’s chairperson. All committees shall be chaired by a member of the Commission.

(b) A majority of members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum.

(c) The Commission shall hold at least six publicly announced meetings throughout the Commonwealth before its report is due.
The Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission shall provide a written report to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the Senate, Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, Minority Leader of the Senate, and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, that includes its findings from the activities undertaken in § 6.732 (relating to powers and duties) within 9 months of the effective date of this subchapter.

Members of the Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission (Commission) shall not receive compensation for their service on the Commission, except that members shall receive reimbursement for reasonable travel costs and expenditures incurred while performing Commission business in accordance with the Commonwealth’s travel and subsistence policies. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.737. Staff.
(a) The Department of State shall provide staffing to assist the Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission (Commission) in carrying out the Commission’s responsibilities and duties.
(b) All Commonwealth agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction shall provide assistance and support as needed by the Commission to effectively carry out its purpose, powers, and duties set forth in this subchapter, so far as is compatible with the authority and ability of each Commonwealth agency.

§ 6.738. Effective date.
This subchapter shall be effective immediately.

§ 6.739. Termination date.
This subchapter shall remain in effect unless amended or rescinded by the Governor.

Subchapter JJJ. PENNSYLVANIA STATE EMPLOYEE MILITARY SERVICE RECOGNITION CAMPAIGN

Sec. 6.741. Purpose.
6.742. Eligibility.
6.744. General provisions
6.745. Effective date.
6.746. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter JJJ adopted by Executive Order No. 2019-03, dated June 14, 2019, 49 Pa.B. 3467, unless otherwise noted.

§ 6.741. Purpose.
The purpose of the Pennsylvania State Employee Military Service Recognition Campaign (Campaign) is to annually recognize and thank Commonwealth
employees who serve or have served in the Armed Forces of the United States, the Reserves and National Guard, by providing them with a lapel pin to honor their service. Eligible employees will not be recognized with a lapel pin as part of this Campaign more than once during their time of employment with the Commonwealth.

§ 6.742. Eligibility.
Eligible Employees are current Commonwealth employees who serve or have served in the Armed Forces of the United States: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard; the Reserves; and National Guard.

§ 6.743. Responsibilities.
The Pennsylvania State Employee Military Service Recognition Campaign (Campaign) shall be responsible for the following:

a. The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) will:
   (1) Coordinate the Campaign and provide support to Commonwealth agencies in the administration of the Campaign. The DMVA will also procure the lapel pins for the Campaign.
   (2) Establish a Veterans in Public Service (VIPS) Committee consisting of current Commonwealth employees (Eligible Employees) to align under the Governor’s Advisory Council on Veterans Services (GAC-VS), established under Executive Order 2013-03 (see 4 Pa. Code §§ 6.551—6.556 (relating to Governor’s Advisory Council on Veterans Services)).
   (3) Provide benefits information and assistance with benefits applications to Eligible Employees.

b. The Office of Administration will establish and maintain a database of Eligible Employees, assist Commonwealth agencies in conducting an annual review of the database, keep a record of those employees who have received lapel pins or who have opted out of the Campaign, and assist the DMVA with the facilitation of the VIPS Committee.

c. Commonwealth agencies:
   (1) On an annual basis, will identify Eligible Employees within their agencies who may qualify for the lapel pin and, where appropriate, hold recognition ceremonies.
   (2) Will refer Eligible Employees to the DMVA for assistance with benefit questions and applications.
   (3) Will coordinate with the DMVA to provide veterans outreach activities within the Commonwealth Agency.
   (4) Will acquire Campaign pins from the DMVA. Commonwealth agencies are responsible for paying the DMVA for the Campaign pins.
   (5) May identify a veteran representative to serve on the VIPS Committee, under the GAC-VS, and to coordinate recognition ceremonies.

This subchapter shall be implemented consistent with applicable law. This subchapter is not intended to, and does not create, any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the Commonwealth, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents or any other person.
§ 6.745. Effective date.
This subchapter shall take effect immediately.

§ 6.746. Termination date.
This subchapter shall remain in effect unless revised or rescinded by the Governor.

Subchapter KKK. OFFICE OF ADVOCACY AND REFORM

Sec.
6.753. Long-Term Care Ombudsman.
6.756. Implementation.
6.758. Effective date.
6.759. Termination date.

Source
The provisions of this Subchapter KKK adopted by Executive Order No. 2019-05, dated July 31, 2019, 49 Pa.B. 4933, unless otherwise noted.

The Office of Advocacy and Reform (Office) shall serve as the central coordinating body to promote the implementation of this subchapter.
(a) Composition.—The Office shall consist of, at a minimum, an Executive Director, the Child Advocate and the Long-Term Care Ombudsman.
(b) Executive Director.—The Governor shall appoint an Executive Director who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Executive Director shall:
(1) Manage and provide organizational direction for the Office;
(2) Work with the Governor’s Office, Commonwealth agencies and the General Assembly to review laws, policies and procedures impacting the delivery of services to vulnerable populations;
(3) Facilitate opportunities for training and collaboration between and among State and local agencies that serve vulnerable populations;
(4) Work with State agencies to establish coordinated and consistent trauma-informed training and practices in State-operated and State-funded programs to make the Commonwealth a trauma-informed State;
(5) Collaborate with Commonwealth agencies to identify best practices for the delivery of services to vulnerable populations.

A Child Advocate shall be appointed by and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and shall report to both the Executive Director of the Office of Advocacy and Reform (Office) and the Secretary of Human Services. The Child Advocate shall:
(a) Serve as a liaison and a resource to connect children and families with appropriate and available government services;
(b) Recommend system-wide improvements, including changes in laws, regulations, policies and actions, to benefit the health, safety, welfare and rights of children;

(c) Triage complaints regarding government services for children and families, including child protective services; foster care, adoption, mental health and substances use services; child development and early learning; and juvenile justice services that may adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of a child or children;

(d) Represent the health, safety and welfare interests of children before the General Assembly;

(e) Carry out such other duties as the Office and the Secretary of Human Services determine to be appropriate.

§ 6.753. Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

The State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, established by section 712 of the Older Americans Act of 1965, (42 U.S.C.A. § 3058g), and placed under the authority of the Department of Aging through section 2203-A(a)(24.2) of the Administrative Code of 1929, (71 P.S. § 581-3(a)(24.2)), and presently existing within the Department of Aging, shall report to the Office of Advocacy and Reform and the Secretary of Aging.


(a) Purpose. The purpose of the Council on Reform (Council) is to study best practices related to the health, safety and welfare of vulnerable populations and to make recommendations to improve the support and protection of vulnerable residents of this Commonwealth.

(b) Responsibilities. The Council shall:

(1) Confer with constituents, partners, committees, councils and subject matter experts that assist vulnerable populations to gain their insight on issues and best practices;

(2) Review recommendations made previously by existing oversight and advisory bodies that assist vulnerable populations, evaluate the effectiveness or progress of those recommendations that have been implemented, and determine whether any recommendations that have not been implemented should be considered further;

(3) Recommend additional reforms to further protect vulnerable populations.

(c) Report. The Council shall submit a report to the Governor that outlines its recommendations on or before November 1, 2019.

(d) Composition.

(1) The Council shall consist of up to 25 members who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Members shall not appoint designees to act or serve on their behalf. The Governor will fill vacancies as they occur. Members will be selected from representatives who are themselves, or are family of, individuals who are currently receiving or have previously received services from the Commonwealth in an institutional setting; individuals or groups that are members of, serve, or work with vulnerable populations, including but not limited to local government and law enforcement officials,
advocates—including a child advocate, senior advocate, disability advocate, a veteran living with a disability, academic and medical professionals, and care providers.

(2) The Council shall also include the following ex officio members:
   (a) The Secretary of Human Services or designee;
   (b) The Secretary of Health or designee;
   (c) The Secretary of Aging or designee;
   (d) The Secretary of Drug and Alcohol Programs or designee;
   (e) The Secretary of Education or designee;
   (f) The Secretary of Corrections or designee;
   (g) The Chairperson of the Commission on Crime and Delinquency or designee;
   (h) The Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police or designee;
   (i) The Adjutant General of Pennsylvania or designee;
   (j) The Victim Advocate or designee;
   (k) The Executive Director of the Juvenile Court Judges Commission.

(e) Council Operations.
   (1) The Governor may appoint other members of the Council to serve in leadership positions as needed. Any leadership appointees shall serve in the appointed positions at the pleasure of the Governor.
   (2) The Council may establish committees, rules and procedures necessary to effectively fulfill its obligations.
   (3) A majority of the members of the Council shall constitute a quorum.
   (4) Members of the Council may attend Council meetings in person or virtually by telephone, Skype or other electronic communications method approved by the Council. Virtual attendance shall be considered attendance for purposes of constituting a quorum.

(f) Compensation. Members of the Council shall not receive compensation for their service on the Council, except that members may be entitled to receive reimbursement for reasonable travel costs and expenditures incurred while performing Council business in accordance with the Commonwealth’s travel and subsistence policies. The Department of Aging, Department of Health, Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, Commission on Crime and Delinquency, and Department of Human Services shall each pay one-fifth of the approved travel and subsistence expenses of the Council members. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

(g) Support.
   (1) The Department of Human Services Director of Intergovernmental Affairs shall serve as the Executive Director for the Council.
   (2) The Commonwealth agencies represented by ex officio membership on the Council shall provide administrative and other support to assist the Council in carrying out the Council's responsibilities and duties.

Commonwealth agencies and other entities referenced herein shall undertake the following:
   (a) Agencies shall review and update plan of correction processes for licensed providers. The processes shall be revised to provide standardized time periods, as appropriate, in establishing a plan of correction following the identi-
classification of a violation. The processes shall include verification of timely compliance with and implementation of a plan of correction and commencement of a licensure action against a provider who does not timely comply with a plan of correction.

(b) The Department of Human Services shall issue a procurement for a state-of-the-art licensing information technology system to be shared by the Department of Human Services, Department of Health, Department of Aging and Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs with the goals of managing licensing applications, renewals and activities related to licensing inspections and surveys; increasing collaboration and communication between and within Commonwealth agencies; streamlining business processes; and improving communication and services between Commonwealth agencies and licensed providers.

(c) Commonwealth agencies responsible for licensed residential facilities serving vulnerable populations shall develop methodologies and processes to assist in the identification of a facility that is at high risk of incurring an adverse event. Agencies that jointly license identified facilities shall collaborate to avoid adverse events and improve services.

(d) Commonwealth agencies shall set targets to transition to home-based and community-based services in conjunction with targets to reduce placements in child residential treatment facilities, nursing homes or child congregate care settings.

(e) The Department of Human Services shall issue a procurement for a Statewide electronic child welfare case management information system.

(f) The Department of Aging shall update and disseminate Older Adult Protective Services Mandatory Reporting training to mandatory reporters.

(g) In coordination with the Governor’s Office of Performance through Excellence, the Office of Advocacy and Reform (Office) shall offer assistance in Lean process improvement to county child welfare agencies to identify opportunities for administrative efficiencies at the county level and inform statutory or regulatory reforms, or both, to support increased efficiency.

(h) The Office shall conduct a study on the financial impact to the Commonwealth because of financial exploitation of older adults.

(i) The Office shall facilitate an examination of sustainable housing and long-term services and supports for individuals exiting the corrections system with nursing facility level of care needs who have physical, intellectual and behavioral dual diagnoses.

§ 6.756. Implementation.

All Commonwealth agencies under the Governor’s jurisdiction are directed to take all steps necessary to implement this subchapter. Independent agencies are also strongly encouraged to implement this subchapter.


This subchapter shall be implemented consistent with applicable law. This subchapter is not intended to, and does not create, any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the Commonwealth, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.
§ 6.758. Effective date.
This subchapter shall take effect immediately.

§ 6.759. Termination date.
This subchapter shall remain in effect unless rescinded or amended by the Governor.