

No. 1995-62

AN ACT

HB 1086

Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for organization of Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.

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

Section 1. Section 7312(a) of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

§ 7312. Organization.

This agency shall consist of and be organized substantially as follows:

(a) Council.—Primary responsibility for overall policy and direction of a Statewide civil defense and disaster program and response capability of the type hereinafter prescribed shall be vested in a body legally known as the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Council, which shall be composed of: the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Adjutant General, Secretary of Health, Attorney General, *General Counsel*, Secretary of Community Affairs, Secretary of Environmental [Resources] *Protection*, Secretary of Transportation, Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Public Welfare, Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police, Chairman of the Public Utility Commission, *State Fire Commissioner*, Speaker of the House of Representatives, President pro tempore of the Senate, Minority Leader of the Senate and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives, President pro tempore of the Senate, Minority Leader of the Senate and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives may authorize a member of their respective Houses of the General Assembly to serve in their stead. The Governor may authorize up to two representatives of business and industry, up to two representatives of labor, up to two public members at large and one representative respectively of the Pennsylvania State Association of County Commissioners, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors, the Pennsylvania League of Cities and the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs to be nonvoting members of the council. The Governor may designate a member to serve as chairman. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

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

APPROVED—The 13th day of November, A.D. 1995.

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