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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1949, L.D. 2028, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide Flexibility in the Organizational Structure of the Department of Environmental Protection."

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in its place the following:

'4. Organization of department. The commissioner, subject to the approval of a majority of the Board of Environmental Protection, shall organize the department into the bureaus, divisions, regional offices and other administrative units that he deems necessary to fulfill the duties of the department and support the duties of the Board of Environmental Protection. With the approval of a majority of the Board of Environmental Protection, he shall prescribe the functions of the bureaus and other administrative units to insure that the powers and duties of the board are administered efficiently so that all license applications and other business of the department may be expeditiously completed in the public interest.

5. Designation of deputy commissioner. The commissioner shall designate as deputy commissioner, ^{the} / director of an administrative unit within the department to act as commissioner in case the commissioner is unable to act or a vacancy exists in the office of the commissioner and to perform other duties that may be assigned by the commissioner.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment requires both reorganization and arrangement of functions to be done in the same way (by the commissioner with the approval of a majority of the board) and clarifies that the deputy commissioner shall be chosen from among the directors of administrative units within the department.

Reported by the Committee on State Government.

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