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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MAY 5, 2015

AN ACT

1 Establishing the Lean Government Practices Program; and
2 conferring powers and imposing duties on the Governor's
3 Innovation Office Office of Transformation, Innovation, <--
4 Management and Efficiency.

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

7 Section 1. Short title.

8 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Lean
9 Management Practices Act.

10 Section 2. Legislative findings.

11 The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

12 (1) Lean government practices have helped governments at
13 the Federal, state and local levels produce cost savings.

14 (2) Since 2011, the Commonwealth has saved \$699 million
15 by adopting lean government practices.

16 (3) These cost savings stem from eliminating waste, in
17 the form of unneeded bureaucratic processes and paperwork, in
18 government programs designed to provide constituent services.

1 (4) By eliminating waste, government can provide its  
2 current services at a faster pace and at a lower cost.

3 (5) Through the provision of efficient, more effective  
4 government, lean government practices provide the people with  
5 a better government that works for them.

6 Section 3. Definitions.

7 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
8 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
9 context clearly indicates otherwise:

10 "Committee." The Steering Committee of the ~~Lean Government~~ <--  
11 ~~Practices Program~~ TRANSFORMATION OFFICE. <--

12 "Lean government practices." The application of programs,  
13 such as Six Sigma or Kaizen, designed to improve services  
14 through the elimination of waste in bureaucracy by removing  
15 unnecessary steps and processes to improve delivery of services  
16 in a manner that is faster, effective, efficient and at a lower  
17 cost.

18 ~~"Innovation Office." The Governor's Innovation Office.~~ <--

19 "Program." The Lean Government Practices Program established  
20 under this act.

21 "Transformation Office." The Governor's Office of  
22 Transformation, Innovation, Management and Efficiency.

23 Section 4. Lean Government Practices Program.

24 (a) Establishment.--The Lean Government Practices Program is  
25 established within the Transformation Office to provide training  
26 to State agencies for training ~~new~~ employees in using lean <--  
27 government practices.

28 (b) Steering Committee.--The program shall be directed by a <--  
29 ~~committee, which will coordinate~~ THE COMMITTEE, WHICH SHALL <--  
30 COORDINATE THE PROGRAM with heads of all State agencies. The

1 committee shall:

2 (1) Consist of:

3 (i) The Secretary of Administration.

4 (ii) The Director of the Transformation Office.

5 (iii) The Secretary of Policy and Planning.

6 (iv) The Secretary of General Services.

7 (v) The Secretary of the Budget.

8 (vi) One individual chosen by the President pro  
9 tempore of the Senate.

10 (vii) One individual chosen by the Minority Leader  
11 of the Senate.

12 (viii) One individual chosen by the Speaker of the  
13 House of Representatives.

14 (ix) One individual chosen by the Minority Leader of  
15 the House of Representatives.

16 (2) Identify State programs and processes in need of  
17 streamlining to improve efficiency and delivery of government  
18 services to taxpayers.

19 (3) Develop training and implement strategies to assist  
20 in the adoption of lean government practices by State  
21 agencies.

22 (c) Participation.--

23 (1) All agencies shall designate certain employees to  
24 form innovation teams to receive training in lean government  
25 practices by participating in the program.

26 (2) Following completion of the program, members of the  
27 innovation team shall begin the process of adopting lean  
28 government practices in their State agency.

29 (3) Following adoption of lean management practices,  
30 State agencies may request that the Transformation Office

1 examine programs and processes for additional efficiencies.

2 (d) Administration.--

3 (1) The Transformation Office shall administer the  
4 program and provide an annual report detailing any cost  
5 savings and improved delivery of services by State agencies  
6 from the program.

7 (2) The annual report shall be given to the President  
8 pro tempore of the Senate, the chairman and minority chairman  
9 of the Finance Committee of the Senate, the Speaker of the  
10 House of Representatives and the chairman and minority  
11 chairman of the Finance Committee of the House of  
12 Representatives.

13 (3) The Transformation Office may promulgate regulations  
14 to assist in the administration of the program.

15 Section 5. Effective date.

16 This act shall take effect in 60 days.