

Amendment No. 79

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT
TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 15

It is proposed that article III, section 15 of the draft Constitution be amended as follows:

Section 15: Executive and Administrative Departments.

All executive and administrative offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the Commonwealth government, and their respective functions, powers and duties shall be allocated by law among and within not more than fifteen principal departments so as to group them as far as practicable according to major purposes. Regulatory, quasi-judicial and temporary agencies need not be allocated within a principal department. ~~The legislature shall by law prescribe the functions, powers and duties of the principal departments and of all other agencies of the Commonwealth and may from time to time reallocate offices, agencies and instrumentalities among the principal departments, and may change their functions, powers and duties.~~ The governor may make such changes in the allocation of offices, agencies and instrumentalities and in the allocation of their functions, powers and duties as he considers necessary for efficient administration. If such changes affect existing law, they shall be set forth in executive orders which shall be submitted to the legislature and shall become effective sixty days after submission, unless specifically modified or disapproved by a majority of the members of each house of the legislature.

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