52:31-34. Short title

1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "State Capitol Joint Management Commission Act."

L.1992,c.67,s.1.

52:31-35. Findings

2. The Legislature finds that the State House Complex, consisting of the State House, the State House Annex, and the adjacent environs, embodies and exemplifies a rich and valued resource of historical, architectural, cultural and artistic significance; that it is of singular importance that this heritage, and the traditions and values it represents, be identified, displayed and protected; that this historic complex, as the home of the State Legislature and the Office of the Governor, must also be maintained in a state of modern repair so as to ensure the safe, efficient and effective conduct of official business and public functions; and that restoration and preservation of the State House Complex can be best met through the establishment of a governing structure with equal representation from both the legislative and executive branches.

L.1992,c.67,s.2.

52:31-36. Definitions

3. As used in this act:

a. "State capitol complex" means the State House, the State House Annex, any ancillary structures, facilities or components that are integral to the operation or use of the State House or State House Annex, and the adjacent public grounds, walkways, driveways and parking areas;

b. "Common facility" means any building, office, facility or component within the State capitol complex that serves the offices or employees of the executive and the legislative branches in common, or that serves the visiting public, or that houses non-governmental entities;

c. "Executive branch facility" means any building, office, facility or component within the complex that predominantly houses or exclusively serves the Office of the Governor or any agency or employee of the executive branch; and

d. "Legislative branch facility" means any building, office, facility or component within the complex that predominantly houses or exclusively serves the Legislature or any agency or employee of the legislative branch.

L.1992,c.67,s.3.

52:31-37. State Capitol Joint Management Commission established

4. a. There is established the State Capitol Joint Management Commission to consist of four

members of the executive branch of State government and four members of the legislative branch of State government, as follows: the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, the General Services Administrator, and two other members of the executive branch of State government to be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor; four members of the legislative branch of State government who may either be legislators or employees, two of whom shall be appointed by the President of the Senate, one of whom shall be of a different political party than the President of the Senate, and two of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be of a different political party than the Speaker of the General Assembly. Each appointed member of the legislative branch shall serve during the two-year legislative term in which the appointment is made. All initial appointments shall be made within 30 days after the effective date of this act. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments.

b. The four members of the commission from the executive branch shall constitute a subcommittee on executive branch facility management and the four members of the commission from the legislative branch shall constitute a subcommittee on legislative branch facility management.

L.1992,c.67,s.4.

52:31-38. Organization of commission

5. a. The commission and each subcommittee shall organize as soon as practical after the appointment of the initial members, and shall reorganize as soon as practical after the organization of each Legislature, at which times the commission and each subcommittee shall select a chairman and vice-chairman to serve until the organization of the next Legislature.

b. No motion to take any action by the commission shall be valid except upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the authorized membership of the commission. No motion to take any action by a subcommittee shall be valid except upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the authorized membership of the subcommittee.

c. The commission or any subcommittee may call upon the assistance of any office or employee within the executive or legislative branch, and may delegate to any office or employee specific authority to act on behalf of the commission or subcommittee.

L.1992,c.67,s.5.

52:31-39. Duties of commission

6. a. It shall be the duty of the commission and its respective subcommittees to:

(1) maintain, monitor and preserve the architectural, historical, cultural and artistic integrity of any completed project for the restoration, preservation and improvement of the State capitol

complex and to safeguard any related artifacts, documents and objects;

(2) maintain custody of the State capitol complex, with exclusive jurisdiction with respect to its management and operation, including maintenance, repair, renovation, improvement, security, parking, furnishing, artifact displays, and space utilization; and

(3) consult with the Capital City Redevelopment Corporation, established pursuant to P.L.1987, c.58 (C.52:9Q-9 et seq.), regarding matters of common concern.

b. The exclusive responsibility to carry out these duties shall repose with the commission with respect to common facilities; the subcommittee on executive branch facility management with respect to executive branch facilities; and the subcommittee on legislative branch facility management with respect to legislative branch facilities.

L.1992,c.67,s.6.

52:31-40. Commission may enter into agreements

7. a. The commission or any subcommittee may enter into agreements with other State agencies or private vendors for the performance of any function or the provision of any service relating to the custody, management or operation of the State capitol complex.

b. The commission or any subcommittee may enter into agreements with any State agency with respect to the joint management and use of facilities or systems which serve both the capitol complex and buildings under the custody of the agency.

c. The commission shall be subject to the provisions of subtitle 5. of Title 52 of the Revised Statutes with respect to contracting.

L.1992,c.67,s.7.

52:31-41. Approval required for alteration of completed project

8. Upon completion of any project for the restoration, preservation and improvement of the State capitol complex, no alteration of any element of the project shall be made without the approval of the commission or the appropriate subcommittee.

L.1992,c.67,s.8.

52:31-42. Acceptance of gifts permitted

9. The commission is authorized to accept gifts, donations and grants from any public or private source for the purposes of any project.

L.1992,c.67,s.9.

52:31-43. Necessary appropriations

10. The Legislature shall ensure that the appropriate State agency to maintain and preserve the State Capitol complex or undertake or contract for any project for repair or alteration of any element of the complex, annually is appropriated such sums as are necessary to protect, preserve and maintain the complex to the highest standards.

L.1992,c.67,s.10.