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STATE OF DELAWARE



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER TWENTY-SIX

TO: Heads of all State Departments and Agencies

RE: Delaware Commission on Organized Crime

WHEREAS, Delaware appears to be comparatively free of organized crime; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies in neighboring states are making it increasingly difficult for organized criminal activities to continue in their states; and

WHEREAS, Delaware does not wish to become a refuge or resting place for organized criminals or their activities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for local law enforcement agencies, county, state and federal, to work together in the area of sharing information so as to prevent the intrusion of organized crime in Delaware; and

WHEREAS, such an agency may be helpful in developing new approaches for fighting organized crime.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RUSSELL W. PETERSON, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare as follows:

1. There is hereby established a Delaware Commission on Organized Crime.
2. The ex officio members of the Commission shall be as follows: the Superintendent of the Delaware State Police, the Commissioner of Public Safety of the City of Wilmington, the Director of the New Castle County Police, the Attorney General of the State of Delaware, the United States Attorney for Delaware, the Chairman of the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime, and the Counsel to the Governor.

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3. In addition, the Commission shall include up to four (4) members concerned with activities in this area, representing various other agencies, governmental and private, who shall be appointed by the Governor and serve at his pleasure.
4. The Governor shall select from among the members of the Commission a Chairman, who shall serve at his pleasure.
5. The Commission shall meet as often as is necessary for it to share whatever information may be of interest or concern to the members of the Commission.
6. The Commission shall also consider possible projects for executive and legislative action designed to prevent the intrusion of organized crime and criminals into Delaware. The Commission shall also consider any other matters that the Governor may from time to time refer to it.
7. The Commission shall have the authority to receive and administer any state or other funds which may be appropriated or received to enable the Commission to operate.

APPROVED This 28~~th~~ day of April, 1970

Russell W. Peterson
Governor

ATTEST:

Eugene DeLoach
Secretary of State

