THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, FEBRUARY 5, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Pennsylvania Military
- 3 Child-Care Assistance Program and its operation.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Title 51 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 8 § 7320. Pennsylvania Military Child-Care Assistance Program.
- 9 (a) Establishment.--The Pennsylvania Military Child-Care
- 10 Assistance Program is hereby established. The program shall pay
- 11 for child care to Pennsylvania families who have one or more
- 12 parents who are federally deployed for wartime service.
- 13 (b) Administration.--
- 14 (1) The department shall contract with a nonprofit

- 1 <u>entity to administer the program.</u>
- 2 (2) The department shall promulgate guidelines and
- 3 <u>regulations necessary to administer the program.</u>
- 4 (c) Eligibility.--
- 5 (1) Any qualified Pennsylvania resident who is serving
- 6 <u>in the active military, reserves or National Guard and who is</u>
- 7 <u>currently deployed in an active military operation or</u>
- 8 <u>national emergency shall be eligible.</u>
- 9 (2) Residents who received child care prior to the
- deployment shall be eligible only for the cost of any
- 11 <u>additional hours of care which resulted from the deployment.</u>
- 12 (3) A resident is ineligible for child care under this
- 13 <u>section if the resident receives child-care services from the</u>
- 14 <u>United States military.</u>
- 15 (d) Funding. -- The Military Child-Care Assistance Program
- 16 shall be funded by the Military Family Relief Fund established
- 17 under section 7319 (relating to military family relief
- 18 assistance).
- 19 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.