

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 2827** Session of  
1996

INTRODUCED BY ZUG, O'BRIEN, LUCYK, GEIST, EGOLF, FAIRCHILD,  
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STABACK AND NAILOR, JUNE 28, 1996

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS, JUNE 28, 1996

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, authorizing the department to enter  
3 into contracts with recognized veterans' posts and national  
4 guard associations for burial details; and making an  
5 appropriation.

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

8 Section 1. Title 51 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
9 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

10 § 705. Contracts for burial details.

11 (a) Authority.--The department may enter into contracts with  
12 a recognized veterans' post or national guard association to  
13 provide a burial detail for a specific day.

14 (b) Terms.--The department shall pay the sum of \$150 to the  
15 post or association for each day the recognized veterans' post  
16 or national guard association furnishes the burial detail. No  
17 other expenses shall be paid by the department. The detail shall

1 consist of not less than six veterans who shall be appropriately  
2 uniformed and equipped. The post or association will be  
3 responsible for providing a burial detail for all burials  
4 conducted on that day.

5 (c) Insurance.--The recognized veterans' post or national  
6 guard association shall provide liability insurance for all  
7 burial details in an amount prescribed by the department. The  
8 terms of the contract shall indemnify and hold harmless against  
9 any claims against the department and/or the Commonwealth  
10 arising out of the performance of the burial detail.

11 (d) Regulations.--The department is authorized to promulgate  
12 regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this  
13 section.

14 Section 2. The sum of \$50,000 is hereby appropriated to the  
15 Department of Military and Veterans Affairs for the fiscal year  
16 July 1, 1996, to June 30, 1997, to carry out the duties imposed  
17 under 51 Pa.C.S. § 705.

18 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1996, or  
19 immediately, whichever is later.