THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY STAIRS, ROEBUCK, BARRAR, BEYER, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, DALEY, FLECK, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GRUCELA, HERSHEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, HUTCHINSON, KULA, McILHATTAN, MOYER, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PHILLIPS, RAPP, REICHLEY, SAINATO, WALKO AND YOUNGBLOOD, JANUARY 30, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JANUARY 30, 2007

AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further providing for payments on account of approved vocational extension classes and preemployment training.

 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
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- 9 hereby enacts as follows:
- 10 Section 1. Section 2507 of the act of March 10, 1949
- 11 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
- 12 amended August 5, 1991 (P.L.219, No.25), is amended to read:
- 13 Section 2507. Payments on Account of Approved Vocational
- 14 Extension Classes and Pre-employment Training.--(a) (1) Every
- 15 school district and every vocational school district and area
- 16 vocational-technical school, regardless of classification, shall
- 17 be paid by the Commonwealth for every school year, on account of
- 18 approved vocational extension classes and pre-employment
- 19 training, eighty per cent (80%) of the sum which was expended by

- 1 the district or area vocational-technical school for the
- 2 compensation of vocational extension and pre-employment training
- 3 teachers and supervisors.
- 4 (2) For the purpose of computing reimbursement, the maximum
- 5 compensation shall be four dollars (\$4.00) per hour for the
- 6 1985-1986 through the 1989-1990 school years and eight dollars
- 7 and sixty cents (\$8.60) per hour for the 1990-1991 school year
- 8 and each school year thereafter and the amount expended for
- 9 supervisory salaries shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of
- 10 the sum expended for teachers' salaries: Provided, That in
- 11 special cases when travel time or unusual preparation of
- 12 instructional materials or other factors result in an inadequate
- 13 compensation, the Department of Education may approve additional
- 14 reimbursable employment time for such additional services upon
- 15 the submission of adequate substantiative evidence from the
- 16 responsible superintendent of schools.
- 17 (3) For the 1985-1986 school year and each school year
- 18 thereafter, the Commonwealth shall pay the amount required by
- 19 this section to the school district or area vocational-technical
- 20 school which provided the approved vocational extension classes
- 21 and pre-employment training for which reimbursement is made.
- 22 (4) Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, this
- 23 <u>subsection shall not apply to approved vocational extension</u>
- 24 classes and pre-employment training that are primarily
- 25 agricultural in nature.
- 26 (b) (1) Every school district and every vocational school
- 27 district and area vocational-technical school, regardless of
- 28 classification, that provide adult agriculture education
- 29 programs shall be paid by the Commonwealth for the 2007-2008
- 30 school year and each school year thereafter on account of

- 1 approved agriculture vocational extension classes and
- 2 agriculture education pre-employment training, which was
- 3 <u>expended by the district or area vocational-technical school for</u>
- 4 the compensation of agricultural vocational extension and
- 5 <u>agriculture pre-employment training teachers and supervisors.</u>
- 6 (2) For the purpose of computing reimbursement, the
- 7 compensation shall be set at a rate of seventeen dollars and
- 8 <u>ninety-four cents (\$17.94) per hour. The amount expended for</u>
- 9 supervisory salaries shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of
- 10 the sum expended for teachers' salaries: Provided, That in
- 11 special cases when travel time or unusual preparation of
- 12 <u>instructional materials or other factors result in an inadequate</u>
- 13 compensation, the Department of Education may approve additional
- 14 reimbursable employment time for such additional services upon
- 15 the submission of adequate substantive evidence from the
- 16 <u>responsible superintendent of schools.</u>
- 17 (3) For the 2007-2008 school year and each school year
- 18 thereafter, the Commonwealth shall pay the amount required by
- 19 this section to the school district or area vocational-technical
- 20 <u>school</u> which provided the approved agricultural vocational
- 21 extension classes and agricultural pre-employment training for
- 22 which reimbursement is made.
- 23 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.