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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 6, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, further providing for creditable nonschool service.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Section 8304(b) of Title 24 of the Pennsylvania  
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

7 § 8304. Creditable nonschool service.

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9 (b) Limitations on nonschool service.--Creditable nonschool  
10 service credit shall be limited to:

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12 (9) Previous service as a school employee, teacher or  
13 instructor in an accredited Pennsylvania nonpublic elementary  
14 or secondary school, if the member was entitled to a  
15 provisional or professional certificate to teach in the  
16 public schools of this Commonwealth at the time this service

1 was rendered. For every year in previous work experience, an  
2 individual can buy one year of creditable service, not to  
3 exceed a total of five years. The purchase of this service  
4 shall begin within five years of the employee's eligibility  
5 to purchase this creditable service. The Department of  
6 Education may charge an applicant a fee necessary to cover  
7 administrative costs incurred in verifying the applicant's  
8 eligibility for certification.

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10 Section 2. Section 8324(e) of Title 24 is amended to read:

11 § 8324. Contributions for purchase of credit for creditable  
12 nonschool service.

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14 (e) Creditable work experience.--

15 (1) Contributions on account of T-C credit for  
16 creditable work experience pursuant to section 8304(b)(6)  
17 shall be the present value of the full actuarial cost of the  
18 increase in the projected superannuation annuity caused by  
19 the additional service credited on account of the purchase of  
20 creditable work experience. [The amount paid for the purchase  
21 of credit for creditable work experience shall not be payable  
22 as a lump sum under section 8345(a)(4)(iii) (relating to  
23 member's options).] Any individual eligible to receive an  
24 annuity, excluding an annuity received under the Federal  
25 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 301 et seq.), in another  
26 pension system, other than a military pension system, shall  
27 not be eligible to purchase this service.

28 (2) Contributions on account of T-C credit for  
29 creditable work experience pursuant to section 8304(b)(9)  
30 shall be the present value of the full actuarial cost of the

1 increase in the projected superannuation annuity caused by  
2 the additional service credited on account of the purchase of  
3 creditable work experience. Any individual eligible to  
4 receive an annuity, excluding an annuity received under the  
5 Social Security Act, in another pension system, other than a  
6 military pension system, shall not be eligible to purchase  
7 this service.

8 (3) The amount paid for the purchase of service under  
9 this subsection shall not be payable as a lump sum under  
10 section 8345(a)(4)(iii) (relating to member's options).

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12 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.