## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 1163 Session of 2007

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, APRIL 25, 2007

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
- 3 credited school service and for the definition of State
- 4 service.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Section 8302(a) of Title 24 of the Pennsylvania
- 8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 9 § 8302. Credited school service.
- 10 (a) Computation of credited service. -- In computing credited
- 11 school service of a member for the determination of benefits, a
- 12 full-time salaried school employee shall receive one year of
- 13 credit for each school year or the corresponding fraction
- 14 thereof, in accordance with the proportion of the full school
- 15 year for which the required regular member contributions have
- 16 been made, or for which such contributions otherwise required
- 17 for such service were not made solely by reason of any provision
- 18 of this part relating to the limitations under IRC § 401(a)(17)

- 1 or 415(b). A per diem or hourly school employee shall receive
- 2 one year of credited service for each nonoverlapping period of
- 3 12 consecutive months in which he is employed and for which
- 4 contributions are made, or would have been made but for such
- 5 limitations under the IRC, for at least 180 full-day sessions or
- 6 1,100 hours of employment. If such member was employed and
- 7 contributions were made for less than 180 full-day sessions or
- 8 1,100 hours, he shall be credited with a fractional portion of a
- 9 year determined by the ratio of the number of full-day sessions
- 10 or hours of service actually rendered to 180 full-day sessions
- 11 or 1,100 hours, as the case may be. A part-time salaried
- 12 employee shall be credited with the fractional portion of the
- 13 year which corresponds to the service actually rendered in
- 14 relation to the service required as a comparable full-time
- 15 salaried employee. In no case shall a member receive more than
- 16 one year of credited service for any 12 consecutive months or a
- 17 member who has elected multiple service receive an aggregate in
- 18 the two systems of more than one year of credited service for
- 19 any 12 consecutive months. Nonintervening military service shall
- 20 <u>be considered credited school service.</u>
- 21 \* \* \*
- 22 Section 2. The definition of "State service" in section 5102
- 23 of Title 71 is amended to read:
- 24 § 5102. Definitions.
- 25 The following words and phrases as used in this part, unless
- 26 a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall
- 27 have the following meanings:
- 28 \* \* \*
- 29 "State service." Service converted from county service
- 30 pursuant to section 5303.1 (relating to election to convert

- 1 county service to State service), converted from school service
- 2 pursuant to section 5303.2 (relating to election to convert
- 3 school service to State service) or rendered as a State
- 4 employee. <u>Nonintervening military service shall be considered</u>
- 5 State service.
- 6 \* \* \*
- 7 Section 3. This act shall be retroactive to June 30, 2001.
- 8 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.