THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1615 Session of 2009

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 24, 2009

AN ACT

- 1 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
- 4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- laws relating thereto," in education improvement tax credit,
- further providing for the eligibility of summer pre-
- 7 kindergarten programs.
- 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 9 hereby enacts as follows:
- 10 Section 1. The definition of "pre-kindergarten program" in
- 11 section 2002-B of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14),
- 12 known as the Public School Code of 1949, amended July 11, 2006
- 13 (P.L.1092, No.114), is amended to read:
- 14 Section 2002-B. Definitions.
- 15 The following words and phrases when used in this article
- 16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 17 context clearly indicates otherwise:

- 1 * * *
- 2 "Pre-kindergarten program." A program of instruction for
- 3 three-year-old or four-year-old students that utilizes a
- 4 curriculum aligned with the curriculum of the school with which
- 5 it is affiliated and which provides a minimum of either:
- 6 <u>(1)</u> two hours of instructional and developmental
- 7 activities per day at least 60 days per school year; or
- 8 (2) one hundred and twenty hours of instructional
- 9 <u>development activities per twelve month period</u> TWO HOURS OF
- 10 INSTRUCTIONAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES PER DAY AT LEAST
- 11 20 DAYS OVER THE SUMMER RECESS.
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- 13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.