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AN ACT

Amending the act of June 29, 1996 (P.L.434, No.67), entitled, as 2 amended, "An act to enhance job creation and economic 3 development by providing for an annual financing strategy, for opportunity grants, for job creation tax credits, for small business assistance, for the Small Business Advocacy 5 Council, for a family savings program, for industrial 7 development assistance, for community development bank grants 8 and loans and for tax-exempt bond allocation; conferring powers and duties on various administrative agencies and 9 authorities; further providing for various funds; and making 10 repeals," further providing for the Family Savings Account 11 Program; AND ESTABLISHING A TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE 12 13 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. Sections 2101 and 2102 of the act of June 29, 17 1996 (P.L.434, No.67), known as the Job Enhancement Act, amended 18 November 17, 1998 (P.L.788, No.100), are amended to read: 19 SECTION 1. THE TITLE AND SECTIONS 2101 AND 2102 OF THE ACT

OF JUNE 29, 1996 (P.L.434, NO.67), KNOWN AS THE JOB ENHANCEMENT

- 1 ACT, AMENDED NOVEMBER 17, 1998 (P.L.788, NO.100), ARE AMENDED TO
- 2 READ:
- 3 AN ACT
- 4 TO ENHANCE JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY PROVIDING
- 5 FOR AN ANNUAL FINANCING STRATEGY, FOR OPPORTUNITY GRANTS, FOR
- 6 JOB CREATION TAX CREDITS, FOR SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE, FOR
- 7 THE SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCACY COUNCIL, FOR A FAMILY SAVINGS
- 8 PROGRAM, FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE, FOR COMMUNITY
- 9 DEVELOPMENT BANK GRANTS AND LOANS AND FOR TAX-EXEMPT BOND
- 10 ALLOCATION; AUTHORIZING A TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE
- 11 <u>INTERNSHIP PROGRAM;</u> CONFERRING POWERS AND DUTIES ON VARIOUS
- 12 ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES; FURTHER PROVIDING
- 13 FOR VARIOUS FUNDS; AND MAKING REPEALS.
- 14 Section 2101. Definitions.
- 15 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 17 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 18 "Account." A family savings account [at a financial
- 19 institution or other institution that is approved by the
- 20 Department of Community and Economic Development and which is]
- 21 that is opened and maintained by [the] a saver [as part of an
- 22 approved account program for the restricted purpose of providing
- 23 funds for an eligible use] enrolled in the program.
- ["Approved account program." A program approved by the
- 25 Department of Community and Economic Development and that is
- 26 operated by a service provider.]
- 27 "Approved plan." A plan <u>developed for an individual saver</u>
- 28 defining savings goals and program requirements, including the
- 29 <u>saver's</u> anticipated use of both the savings and the match. The
- 30 approved plan shall serve as the contract between the saver and

- 1 the service provider and shall be for a contribution period of
- 2 not less than 12 months nor more than 24 months.
- 3 "Department." The Department of Community and Economic
- 4 <u>Development of the Commonwealth.</u>
- 5 "Education." A postsecondary program of instruction provided
- 6 by a college, university, community college, area vocational-
- 7 technical school, professional institution or specialized
- 8 degree-granting college or school legally authorized to grant
- 9 degrees. The term shall also include a job training or related
- 10 educational program approved by the Department of Community and
- 11 Economic Development. The term shall not include a school of
- 12 theology or theological seminary.
- "Eligible uses." Education, purchase of a home,
- 14 participation in entrepreneurial activity, enrollment of a
- 15 saver's child in day care to enable the saver to participate in
- 16 job training, any work-related activity or educational program
- 17 or other activity based on an approved plan.
- 18 "Entrepreneurial activity." Purchase of or investment in a
- 19 for-profit venture in which the saver will be a principal.
- 20 "Financial institution." Any of the following:
- 21 (1) A Federal or State-chartered bank, bank and trust
- 22 company, savings bank, savings and loan association, trust
- 23 company or credit union.
- 24 (2) A financial entity which:
- 25 (i) is licensed or regulated by a Federal or
- 26 Commonwealth agency; and
- (ii) insures its deposits up to \$100,000.
- 28 "Match." An amount equal to 50%, up to \$500 per year, of the
- 29 [contribution amount] money deposited into [an] the account by a
- 30 saver during the contribution period of the saver's approved

- 1 plan.
- 2 "Minimum savings amount." An amount established in the
- 3 approved plan as the minimum amount to be deposited by a saver
- 4 in order to be eligible for the match.
- 5 "Program." The Family Savings Account Program established
- 6 pursuant to this chapter.
- 7 "Saver." An individual or family who resides in this
- 8 Commonwealth and whose total annual income at the time of
- 9 enrollment is not more than 200% of the Federal poverty standard
- 10 and who has applied for enrollment in [an approved account] the
- 11 program.
- "Service provider." A nonprofit institution that encourages
- 13 and assists local community building and that is certified by
- 14 the Department of Community and Economic Development for
- 15 participation in the program.
- 16 Section 2102. Administration.
- 17 (a) Certification of service providers.--The department
- 18 shall certify service providers who shall enroll eligible savers
- 19 into the program.
- 20 (b) Application process.--Eligible savers shall apply to a
- 21 service provider to participate in the program. The service
- 22 provider shall develop an approved plan with each enrolled saver
- 23 which specifies a minimum savings amount and how much money the
- 24 saver intends to contribute to the saver's family savings
- 25 account on either a weekly, biweekly or monthly basis. The
- 26 application and approved plan shall be on a form and shall meet
- 27 such requirements as deemed appropriate by the department.
- 28 (c) Ownership.--Each enrolled saver shall open an account as
- 29 defined under this chapter at a financial institution that is
- 30 certified by the department as qualified to participate in the

- 1 program for deposit of the saver's contributions. All moneys in
- 2 that account, including interest earned thereon, shall belong to
- 3 the individual saver.
- 4 [(d) Grants.--
- 5 (1) The department shall make grants to service
- 6 providers from funds appropriated for this purpose. The
- 7 amount and number of grants shall be calculated by the
- 8 department in such a manner as to ensure payment of the
- 9 maximum match required for the contribution period for all
- 10 approved plans for enrolled savers and in such a manner as to
- 11 not exceed the amount appropriated.
- 12 (2) Service providers shall keep all matching grant
- funds in a separate account at a financial institution
- 14 approved by the department until the funds are withdrawn or
- returned to the department according to the provisions of
- this chapter. The service provider shall use grant proceeds
- 17 to provide the required match for the accounts of enrolled
- 18 savers who have met all program requirements. Service
- 19 providers shall be eliqible for administrative costs in an
- amount as determined by the department. Not more than 5% of
- 21 funds annually appropriated for this program may be used to
- 22 reimburse service providers for eliqible administrative
- 23 costs. The department may approve the use of interest
- 24 earnings on grant funds held by service providers as a
- 25 portion of a service provider's approved administrative
- costs.]
- 27 <u>(d) Grants.--</u>
- 28 (1) The department shall make a grant to a service
- 29 <u>provider from which the service provider shall provide the</u>
- 30 match for approved plans. A service provider shall deposit

1 all grant funds in a separate account at a financial

2 institution until the funds are withdrawn to provide the

3 required match for a saver or are returned to the

4 <u>Commonwealth. Grants to service providers shall be made from</u>

5 and limited to funds appropriated for this purpose.

is reduced or a saver drops out of the program within the fiscal year in which the grant was made to the service provider or the next fiscal year, the service provider may reassign the grant funds to other savers with approved plans within this time period. Any grant funds remaining unassigned at the end of the fiscal year in which the grant was made to the service provider or the next fiscal year must be returned to the Commonwealth as provided in paragraph (3). If a saver's approved plan is modified and the match is reduced or a saver drops out of the program after the fiscal year in which the grant was made to the service provider or the next fiscal year, the service provider must return the unused

(3) Service providers shall return any funds due the Commonwealth pursuant to guidelines published by the department but no later than quarterly.

grant funds to the Commonwealth as provided in paragraph (3).

23 (4) A service provider shall be eligible for 2.4 administrative and counseling costs in an amount determined by the department. No more than 9.5% of funds annually 25 appropriated for this program may be used to reimburse 26 27 service providers for eligible administrative and counseling 28 costs of which no more than 5% may be used for administrative 29 costs. The department may approve the use of interest earnings on grant funds held by service providers as a 30

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- 1 portion of a service provider's approved administrative and
- 2 <u>counseling costs</u>. Eligible counseling costs shall include,
- 3 <u>but not be limited to, costs associated with interviewing</u>
- 4 <u>potential savers, enrolling savers, monitoring a saver's</u>
- 5 progress toward fulfilling the terms of an approved plan and
- 6 providing periodic money management and financial skills
- 7 meetings for savers to foster the habit of continued saving.
- 8 The department shall determine eligible administrative costs.
- 9 (e) Eligibility for match.--An enrolled saver with an
- 10 approved plan and account monitored by a service provider must
- 11 fulfill the requirements of the approved plan for a minimum of
- 12 12 months but not more than 24 months. The saver shall present
- 13 satisfactory evidence to the service provider on a quarterly
- 14 basis that the savings requirements are being met.
- 15 (f) Restrictions on withdrawal.--
- 16 (1) In order to obtain [matching funds] the match, the
- 17 saver must present satisfactory evidence to the service
- 18 provider that the amount being withdrawn from the saver's
- 19 family savings account is being used for an eligible use.
- 20 Withdrawals from a family savings account for an eligible use
- 21 by a saver shall be made payable to the legal entity which
- 22 provides the eligible use.
- 23 (2) [Match funds] <u>The match</u> shall be paid by the service
- 24 provider to the legal entity which provides the eligible use.
- 25 [Match funds] The match shall not be paid to the saver.
- 26 (3) [Match funds which have] A match which has not been
- 27 paid for an eligible use within [five] three years after the
- 28 end of the [match] <u>contribution</u> period shall be returned to
- the [department] <u>Commonwealth</u> for deposit in the State
- 30 Treasury.

- 1 (4) A saver who fails to meet the savings goal set forth
- 2 in the approved plan or who decides to drop out of the
- 3 program shall terminate his approved plan with the service
- 4 provider according to procedures determined by the
- 5 department. Upon the termination of an approved plan between
- 6 a saver and a service provider, the service provider [shall
- 7 return the amount of match to the department in accordance
- 8 with the guidelines established by the department] shall
- 9 <u>reassign or return the matching funds according to the</u>
- 10 provisions of subsection (d), and the saver shall be entitled
- 11 to withdraw funds within the saver's account for purposes
- 12 other than provided by this chapter.
- 13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
- 14 SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A CHAPTER TO READ: <--

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- 15 <u>CHAPTER 29</u>
- 16 TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
- 17 SECTION 2901. DEFINITIONS.
- 18 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS CHAPTER
- 19 SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE
- 20 <u>CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:</u>
- 21 <u>"AGENCY." THE PENNSYLVANIA HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE</u>
- 22 AGENCY.
- 23 "APPROVED COURSE OF STUDY." A PROGRAM OR CURRICULUM OFFERED
- 24 BY A POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT PROVIDES
- 25 INSTRUCTION IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND RELATED FIELDS AND THAT
- 26 HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN CONSULTATION
- 27 WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD, AS REQUIRED
- 28 UNDER SECTION 3 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 23, 1999 (P.L.159, NO.22),
- 29 KNOWN AS THE NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP ACT.
- 30 <u>"APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION." A POSTSECONDARY</u>

- 1 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION LOCATED IN THIS COMMONWEALTH THAT IS
- 2 AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE APPROVED COURSES OF STUDY AND GRANT
- 3 <u>DEGREES AND THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA HIGHER</u>
- 4 EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AGENCY AS AN INSTITUTION IN WHICH STUDENTS
- 5 MAY ENROLL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY
- 6 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.
- 7 <u>"DEPARTMENT." THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF THE</u>
- 8 COMMONWEALTH.
- 9 <u>"EMERGING TECHNOLOGY COMPANY." A COMPANY LOCATED IN THIS</u>
- 10 COMMONWEALTH THAT IS INVOLVED IN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND PRODUCT
- 11 <u>DEVELOPMENT, TECHNOLOGY OR A RELATED FIELD WHICH IS EITHER LESS</u>
- 12 THAN SIX YEARS FROM INCORPORATION OR EMPLOYS FEWER THAN 500
- 13 <u>FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES.</u>
- 14 "PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD." A PUBLIC AND
- 15 PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP THAT PROVIDES STRATEGIC PLANNING, PROGRAM
- 16 COORDINATION AND EVALUATION OF PENNSYLVANIA'S WORK FORCE
- 17 TRAINING EFFORTS.
- 18 "PROGRAM." THE TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
- 19 ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS CHAPTER.
- 20 <u>"STUDENT." AN INDIVIDUAL DOMICILED IN THIS COMMONWEALTH WHO</u>
- 21 ATTENDS AN APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AND WHO IS ENROLLED
- 22 IN AN APPROVED COURSE OF STUDY.
- 23 <u>"WORK EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP." A COLLEGE-APPROVED OR</u>
- 24 UNIVERSITY-APPROVED INTERNSHIP OR WORK EXPERIENCE IN A SCIENCE,
- 25 TECHNOLOGY OR RELATED FIELD WITH AN EMERGING TECHNOLOGY EMPLOYER
- 26 LOCATED IN THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR WHICH THE STUDENT RECEIVES
- 27 COMPENSATION.
- 28 SECTION 2902. TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.
- 29 <u>(A) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM. -- THE TECHNOLOGY WORK</u>
- 30 EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE

- 1 AGENCY. THIS PROGRAM SHALL BE SEPARATE FROM, BUT MAY BE OPERATED
- 2 IN CONJUNCTION WITH, THE FEDERAL AND STATE WORK STUDY PROGRAMS.
- 3 (B) MATCHING FUNDS. -- THE AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS
- 4 TO APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO SUPPORT INTERNSHIPS FOR
- 5 STUDENTS WITH EMERGING TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES, TO THE EXTENT THAT
- 6 AN APPROPRIATION IS ENACTED SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE
- 7 AGENCY SHALL REVIEW AND APPROVE APPLICATIONS FROM COLLEGES AND
- 8 UNIVERSITIES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM AND SHALL REQUIRE
- 9 THAT APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS PROVIDE AT LEAST ONE-HALF
- 10 OF THE MONEYS NECESSARY FOR THE INTERNSHIPS. NOT MORE THAN 50%
- 11 OF THE COST OF EACH INTERNSHIP SHALL BE PAID FOR BY THE AGENCY.
- 12 (C) APPROVED COURSES.--THE LIST OF APPROVED COURSES OF STUDY
- 13 FOR THE PROGRAM SHALL BE THE SAME AS IS CURRENTLY REQUIRED UNDER
- 14 SECTION 4(C) OF THE ACT OF JUNE 23, 1999 (P.L.159, NO.22), KNOWN
- 15 AS THE NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP ACT.
- 16 (D) EMERGING TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES. -- THE DEPARTMENT, IN
- 17 COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
- 18 DEVELOPMENT AND THE PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD,
- 19 SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A LIST OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGY
- 20 COMPANIES FOR THE PROGRAM.
- 21 (E) STANDARDS.--THE AGENCY SHALL ADOPT STANDARDS FOR
- 22 APPROVING TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS, WHICH
- 23 STANDARDS SHALL INCLUDE AT A MINIMUM THAT:
- 24 (1) THE EMPLOYER MUST BE A PENNSYLVANIA HIGH-TECH
- 25 BUSINESS.
- 26 (2) THE INTERNSHIP MUST PROVIDE CAREER-RELATED WORK
- 27 EXPERIENCE AND USE THE STUDENT'S CLASSROOM KNOWLEDGE.
- 28 (3) THE POSITION MUST NOT DISPLACE ANY EMPLOYEE,
- 29 <u>INCLUDING ANY EMPLOYEE WHO IS LAID OFF OR ON STRIKE.</u>
- 30 (4) THE STUDENT MUST BE COMPENSATED AT A RATE AT LEAST

- 1 EQUAL TO THE STATE MINIMUM WAGE.
- 2 <u>SECTION 2903. POWERS AND DUTIES OF AGENCY.</u>
- 3 THE AGENCY SHALL HAVE THE POWER AND ITS DUTIES SHALL BE:
- 4 (1) TO EXECUTE A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH EACH
- 5 APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION PARTICIPATING IN THE
- 6 PROGRAM.
- 7 (2) TO ESTABLISH SUCH PROCEDURAL, ACCOUNTING AND
- 8 AUDITING REQUIREMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY.
- 9 (3) TO REVIEW AND AUDIT ALL RELEVANT RECORDS OF THE
- 10 PARTICIPATING INSTITUTION AND THE PARTICIPATING EMPLOYER TO
- 11 ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER.
- 12 (4) TO ADOPT SUCH RULES, REGULATIONS, FORMS AND
- PROCEDURES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS CHAPTER.
- 14 SECTION 2904. RESPONSIBILITY OF APPROVED EDUCATION INSTITUTION.
- 15 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM SHALL:
- 16 (1) SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE AGENCY FOR APPROVAL TO
- 17 PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM. THE APPLICATION SHALL IDENTIFY
- 18 THE HIGH-TECH EMPLOYERS OR POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS WHO WILL
- 19 SPONSOR AN INTERNSHIP, THE WAGES THAT INTERNS SHALL BE PAID,
- 20 A DESCRIPTION OF THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE WORK TO BE
- 21 PERFORMED AND THE SCREENING PROCESS TO BE EMPLOYED TO
- 22 IDENTIFY THOSE STUDENTS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE
- 23 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.
- 24 (2) ENTER INTO A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE
- 25 AGENCY.
- 26 (3) ENSURE THAT EACH PARTICIPATING HIGH-TECH BUSINESS
- 27 UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAM AND PROVIDES EACH
- 28 HIRED INTERN CAREER-RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE THAT BUILDS ON
- THAT STUDENT'S CLASSROOM KNOWLEDGE.
- 30 (4) EITHER THROUGH EMPLOYER FUNDS OR INSTITUTIONAL

1 FUNDS, PROVIDE THE FUNDS REQUIRED TO MATCH THE STATE 2 CONTRIBUTION. 3 (5) IMPLEMENT A PROCESS TO SCREEN AND APPROVE STUDENTS 4 FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM. 5 (6) OPEN RELEVANT RECORDS AND MATERIALS TO THE AGENCY 6 FOR REVIEW. 7 (7) HAVE A PROCESS TO MONITOR AND EVALUATE EACH 8 INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE. 9 (8) ADHERE TO ANY REOUIREMENTS OR CONDITIONS THAT THE 10 AGENCY OR THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE 11 PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF 12 COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, MAY ADOPT. 13 SECTION 2905. EMERGING TECHNOLOGY COMPANY EMPLOYER 14 RESPONSIBILITY. 15 EACH EMERGING TECHNOLOGY COMPANY EMPLOYER PARTICIPATING IN 16 THE PROGRAM SHALL: 17 (1) AGREE TO PROVIDE EACH INTERN WITH CAREER-RELATED 18 WORK EXPERIENCE THAT WILL BUILD ON THAT STUDENT'S CLASSROOM 19 KNOWLEDGE. 20 (2) AGREE NOT TO USE THE INTERN TO REPLACE ANY EMPLOYEE. 21 INCLUDING EMPLOYEES WHO MAY BE LAID OFF OR ON STRIKE. 22 (3) HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPROVE THE SELECTION OF ANY 23 STUDENT PLACED IN AN INTERNSHIP WITH THAT COMPANY. 24 (4) ADD EACH EMPLOYEE TO THE BUSINESS PAYROLL AND RETURN 25 ALL RECONCILIATION MATERIALS BY THE DATES REQUIRED BY THE 26 AGENCY TO RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FOR THAT STATE SHARE OF THE 27 APPROVED EARNINGS. 28 (5) ADHERE TO ANY REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING SUCH 29 ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING STANDARDS AS THE AGENCY OR THE 30 DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE

- 1 INVESTMENT BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
- 2 <u>DEVELOPMENT</u>, <u>MAY ADOPT</u>.
- 3 SECTION 2906. INTERNS.
- 4 (A) ELIGIBILITY.--UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AN
- 5 APPROVED COURSE OF INSTRUCTION AT AN APPROVED EDUCATIONAL
- 6 INSTITUTION SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.
- 7 PRIORITY FOR PARTICIPATION SHALL BE BASED ON FINANCIAL NEED AS
- 8 DETERMINED BY THE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AND THE AGENCY, BUT
- 9 PARTICIPATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO THOSE STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY
- 10 FOR FINANCIAL AID.
- 11 (B) TERMS AND CONDITIONS. -- EACH INTERN SHALL COMPLY WITH ANY
- 12 CONDITIONS PLACED UPON THE INTERNSHIP BY THE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT
- 13 OR APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION. EACH INTERN SHALL COMPLY
- 14 WITH ANY APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE EMPLOYER.
- 15 <u>INTERNS MAY WORK NO MORE THAN 20 HOURS A WEEK WHILE THEY ARE</u>
- 16 ENROLLED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS AND MAY WORK NOT MORE THAN 40
- 17 HOURS A WEEK DURING ANY BREAK.
- 18 (C) STUDENT AID. -- PARTICIPATION AS AN INTERN IN THE PROGRAM
- 19 MAY QUALIFY AS A WORK-STUDY APPOINTMENT AND MAY QUALIFY AS
- 20 STUDENT AID, SUBJECT TO FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH
- 21 APPOINTMENTS. HOWEVER, THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION AN INTERN MAY
- 22 RECEIVE THROUGH THIS PROGRAM SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE LIMITS
- 23 IMPOSED IN THIS CHAPTER.
- 24 (D) SATISFACTION OF NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP
- 25 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS. -- PARTICIPATION AS AN INTERN IN THE PROGRAM
- 26 MAY QUALIFY AS SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF COMPLETION OF THE
- 27 INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 5(C) OF THE ACT
- 28 <u>OF JUNE 23, 1999 (P.L.159, NO.22), KNOWN AS THE NEW ECONOMY</u>
- 29 TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP ACT, SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THAT
- 30 ACT.

- 1 <u>SECTION 2907. COMPENSATION.</u>
- 2 THE COMPENSATION SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE APPROVED
- 3 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, IN COOPERATION WITH THE EMERGING
- 4 TECHNOLOGY COMPANY. COMPENSATION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANY TERMS
- 5 OR CONDITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE AGENCY. INTERNS SHALL BE PAID
- 6 ON AN HOURLY BASIS AND SHALL RECEIVE AT LEAST THE MINIMUM WAGE
- 7 ESTABLISHED UNDER PENNSYLVANIA LAW. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE TOTAL
- 8 COMPENSATION THAT ANY STUDENT RECEIVES EXCEED \$7,000 IN ANY 12-
- 9 MONTH PERIOD.
- 10 SECTION 2908. ANNUAL REPORT.
- 11 THE AGENCY SHALL INCLUDE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS
- 12 PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM AND ANY DATA RELEVANT THERETO,
- 13 WITHIN ITS ANNUAL REPORT AS CURRENTLY REQUIRED BY SECTION 9 OF
- 14 THE ACT OF JUNE 23, 1999 (P.L.159, NO.22), KNOWN AS THE NEW
- 15 <u>ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP ACT.</u>
- 16 SECTION 3. ALL REFERENCES TO THE PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN
- 17 RESOURCES INVESTMENT COUNCIL IN THE ACT OF JUNE 23, 1999
- 18 (P.L.159, NO.22), KNOWN AS THE NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY
- 19 SCHOLARSHIP ACT, SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE REFERENCES TO THE
- 20 PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD.
- 21 SECTION 4. WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT
- 22 AND EACH FOLLOWING YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND
- 23 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SHALL ISSUE A REPORT TO THE GENERAL
- 24 ASSEMBLY ON THE AMOUNT OF BANK FEES THAT ARE ASSESSED ON OR PAID
- 25 FOR ON BEHALF OF PARTICIPANTS OF THE PROGRAM.
- 26 SECTION 5. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS:
- 27 (1) THE ADDITION OF CHAPTER 29 OF THE ACT AND SECTION 4
- OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT JULY 1, 2001.
- 29 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT
- 30 IMMEDIATELY.