## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

No. 2468 Session of 2008

INTRODUCED BY CARROLL, ROEBUCK, BEYER, BRENNAN, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, DERMODY, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GINGRICH, HALUSKA, HARKINS, JOSEPHS, KENNEY, KORTZ, KOTIK, LEACH, MANDERINO, McCALL, McILVAINE SMITH, MUNDY, M. O'BRIEN, PARKER, PICKETT, RUBLEY, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, K. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, WALKO, WANSACZ, J. WHITE AND YUDICHAK, APRIL 15, 2008

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, APRIL 15, 2008

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
- 2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
- 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- 4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- 5 laws relating thereto, "further providing for the definition
- of "eligible provider" in Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts Program.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. The definition of "eligible provider" in section
- 10 1511-D of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as
- 11 the Public School Code of 1949, added July 20, 2007 (P.L.278,
- 12 No.45), is amended to read:
- 13 Section 1511-D. Definitions.
- 14 The following words and phrases when used in this subarticle
- 15 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 16 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 17 \* \* \*
- 18 "Eligible provider." Any of the following entities if the

- 1 entity complies with all quality program standards established
- 2 by the Department of Education:
- 3 (1) A school district.
- 4 (2) A Head Start program.
- 5 (3) A nursery school licensed under the act of January
- 6 28, 1988 (P.L.24, No.11), known as the Private Academic
- 7 Schools Act.
- 8 (4) [A] One of the following:
- 9 <u>(i) Prior to July 1, 2009, a</u> child day care center
- [or], a group day care home or a registered family day
- 11 <u>care home</u> that has met or exceeded the standards of STAR
- 12 2 under the Keystone STARS quality rating system
- established by the Department of Public Welfare.
- 14 (ii) After June 30, 2009, a child day care center,
- group day care home or a registered family day care home
- 16 <u>that has met or exceeded the standards of STAR 3 under</u>
- 17 <u>the Keystone STARS quality rating system established by</u>
- 18 <u>the Department of Public Welfare.</u>
- 19 \* \* \*
- 20 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, or
- 21 immediately, whichever is later.