

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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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
6 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:

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18 "Eligible provider." Any of the following entities if the
19 entity complies with all quality program standards established

1 by the Department of Education:

2 (1) A school district.

3 (2) A Head Start program.

4 (3) A nursery school licensed under the act of January
5 28, 1988 (P.L.24, No.11), known as the Private Academic
6 Schools Act.

7 (4) [A] One of the following:

8 (i) Prior to July 1, 2009, a child day care center
9 [or], a group day care home or a registered family day
10 care home that has met or exceeded the standards of STAR
11 2 under the Keystone STARS quality rating system
12 established by the Department of Public Welfare.

13 (ii) After June 30, 2009, a child day care center,
14 group day care home or a registered family day care home
15 that has met or exceeded the standards of STAR 3 under
16 the Keystone STARS quality rating system established by
17 the Department of Public Welfare.

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19 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, or
20 immediately, whichever is later.