

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON MINES AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT,
JUNE 3, 1976

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 17, 1961 (P.L.659, No.339), entitled
2 "An act relating to bituminous coal mines; amending,
3 revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating
4 thereto; providing for the health and safety of persons
5 employed in and about the bituminous coal mines of
6 Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of
7 property connected therewith; prescribing powers and duties
8 in connection therewith; prescribing penalties; and repealing
9 existing laws," changing the provision relating to
10 qualifications for certification as assistant mine foremen.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Subsection (a.1) of section 206, act of July 17,
14 1961 (P.L.659, No.339), known as the "Pennsylvania Bituminous
15 Coal Mine Act," added December 13, 1974 (P.L.943, No.311), is
16 amended to read:

17 Section 206. Qualification for Certification.--

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19 (a.1) Applicants for certificates of qualification as
20 assistant mine foremen shall be [citizens of the United States,]
21 of good moral character and of known temperate habits, and shall
22 have had at least four years' practical experience, with at

1 least three years' experience in working sections, after
2 eighteen years of age, as miners or mining engineers or men of
3 general work, in underground bituminous coal mines in the United
4 States: Provided, That graduates with a bachelors degree in
5 civil engineering, electrical engineering or mining engineering,
6 or an associate degree in the mining engineering course of a
7 recognized institution of learning or applicants who have
8 completed an intensified training program approved by the
9 department, may, after examination, be granted certificates of
10 qualification by an examining board as assistant mine foremen,
11 if possessed of an aggregate of not less than three years
12 practical experience as miners or mining engineers or men of
13 general work, in underground bituminous coal mines in the United
14 States in working sections.

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16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.