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## AN ACT

- 1 Regulating child labor; conferring powers and duties on the 2 Department of Labor and Industry and the Department of
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- 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 10 hereby enacts as follows:
- 11 Section 1. Short title.
- 12 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Child Labor
- 13 Act.
- 14 Section 2. Legislative intent.
- 15 In the interest of ensuring that there is a clear set of
- 16 standards for employers to follow in the employment of children
- 17 under 18 years of age, the General Assembly recognizes that the
- 18 current law in this area must be updated and, in order to avoid
- 19 confusion, must be as consistent as possible with Federal
- 20 standards. This act is intended to update the Commonwealth's
- 21 laws regulating the employment of children under 18 years of
- 22 age, and it is intended to promulgate standards which are
- 23 consistent as possible with regulations promulgated pursuant to
- 24 the Fair Labor Standards Act which regulate the employment of
- 25 children under 18 years of age.
- 26 Section 3. Definitions.
- 27 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 28 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 29 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 30 "Department." The Department of Labor and Industry of the

- 1 Commonwealth.
- 2 "Employer." A person that employs a minor.
- 3 "Enforcement officer." Any of the following:
- 4 (1) The Secretary of Labor and Industry, a designee who
- is an employee of the Department of Labor and Industry or an
- 6 attorney of the Office of General Counsel who is assigned to
- 7 the department.
- 8 (2) A chief school administrator.
- 9 (3) A home and school visitor.
- 10 (4) An attendance officer appointed under section 1342
- of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the
- 12 Public School Code of 1949.
- 13 (5) An issuing officer.
- 14 (6) A law enforcement officer.
- 15 "Establishment." A place within this Commonwealth where work
- 16 is done for compensation of any kind.
- 17 "Fair Labor Standards Act." The Fair Labor Standards Act of
- 18 1938 (52 Stat. 1060, 29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq.).
- 19 "Issuing officer." One of the following:
- 20 (1) A district superintendent or supervising principal
- of a public school district or, if a public school district
- 22 does not have a district superintendent or supervising
- 23 principal, the secretary of the board of school directors of
- the district.
- 25 (2) An individual authorized in writing by the
- 26 appropriate individual under paragraph (1) to issue a
- 27 certificate or permit.
- 28 "Minor." An individual under 18 years of age.
- 29 "Person." The Commonwealth, any political subdivision or
- 30 instrumentality or authority of a political subdivision, an

- 1 individual, a partnership, a corporation, a nonprofit
- 2 corporation or an unincorporated association.
- 3 "Regular school week." The five days beginning with Monday
- 4 through Friday in which school is in session.
- 5 "Secretary." The Secretary of Labor and Industry of the
- 6 Commonwealth.
- 7 "Volunteer emergency service organization." A volunteer fire
- 8 company, volunteer ambulance organization, volunteer rescue
- 9 organization or a volunteer forest fighting organization.
- 10 "Work permit." A transferable work permit entitling a minor
- 11 to employment.
- 12 "Youth peddling." The selling of goods or services by minors
- 13 to customers at residences, places of business or public places,
- 14 including street corners, roadway medians, sports and performing
- 15 arts facilities and public transportation stations. The term
- 16 includes sales from vehicles or the placement of advertisements
- 17 or literature outside of fixed retail locations. The term does
- 18 not include any of the following:
- 19 (1) Minors who sell products, goods or services as
- 20 volunteers without compensation on behalf of nonprofit
- 21 organizations, including organizations that:
- (i) qualify as nonprofit under section 501(c)(3) of
- the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26
- 24 U.S.C.  $\S$  501(c)(3)); and
- 25 (ii) meet the registration requirements established
- 26 by regulations of the Commonwealth.
- 27 (2) Minors engaged in the delivery of newspapers to
- consumers at residences or place of business.
- 29 (3) Minors employed at fixed retail locations in
- 30 compliance with the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards

- 1 Act.
- 2 (4) Minors who:
- 3 (i) sell products, goods or services under the
- 4 immediate supervision of a parent or legal guardian; and
- 5 (ii) do not reside away from their home while
- 6 engaged in the sales activity.
- 7 Section 4. General limitations on employment of minors.
- 8 (a) Rest break. -- No minor may be employed for more than five
- 9 hours continuously without an interval of at least 30 minutes
- 10 for a rest break. No period of less than 30 minutes shall be
- 11 deemed to interrupt a continuous period of work.
- 12 (b) Consecutive days.--A minor may not be employed for more
- 13 than six consecutive days in a single week.
- 14 (c) Establishments.--Minors may not be employed in the
- 15 following establishments:
- 16 (1) Billiard rooms.
- 17 (2) Except as set forth in section 6(a)(2) or 7(c),
- 18 establishments where alcoholic beverages are produced, sold
- or dispensed.
- 20 (3) Establishments determined by the department, through
- 21 regulation, to be hazardous to minors or injurious to health
- of morals of minors.
- 23 (d) Prohibited employment.--Unless otherwise permitted by
- 24 this act, a minor shall not be employed:
- 25 (1) In any occupation designated as hazardous and
- otherwise prohibited under the Fair Labor Standards Act and
- 27 regulations under that act.
- 28 (2) In any occupation designated as hazardous and
- otherwise prohibited by the secretary in regulations
- 30 promulgated under this act.

- 1 Section 5. Employment of minors under 14 years of age.
- 2 (a) General limitations.--Except as set forth in subsection
- 3 (b) or in section 8, no minor under 14 years of age may be
- 4 employed.
- 5 (b) Exceptions.--Irrespective of the limitations set forth
- 6 in subsection (a), a minor under 14 years of age may be employed
- 7 as follows:
- 8 (1) A minor who is at least 12 years of age may be
- 9 employed as a caddy subject to the following limitations:
- 10 (i) The minor may not carry more than one golf bag
- 11 at a time.
- 12 (ii) Employment may not be for more than 18 holes of
- golf in a single day.
- 14 (2) A minor who is at least 11 years of age may engage
- in the delivery of newspapers, periodicals or other
- 16 publications to the homes of subscribers or in the street
- sale or delivery of the items to the consumer. Minors under
- this paragraph shall be subject to limitations set forth in
- 19 section 6(c)(2). This paragraph shall not apply to the
- 20 hauling of newspapers, periodicals or other publications to
- 21 drop stations or distribution centers or other related
- 22 activities.
- 23 Section 6. Employment of minors under 16 years of age.
- 24 (a) Permitted employment.--
- 25 (1) Minors who are under 16 years of age may be employed
- in occupations not prohibited under section 4(d).
- 27 (2) Irrespective of the limitation in section 4(c)(2), a
- 28 minor under 16 years of age may be employed at a ski resort,
- 29 BOWLING ALLEY, golf course and OR amusement park, where
- 30 alcoholic beverages are served as long as the minor is not

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- 1 permitted to handle or serve the beverages and is not
- 2 employed in a room where the beverages are stored or served.
- 3 (3) A minor under 16 years of age may not be employed in
- 4 or permitted to conduct youth peddling.
- 5 (b) Hours of employment. -- Except as set forth in subsection
- 6 (c), hours of employment for minors under 16 years of age shall
- 7 be limited as follows:
- 8 (1) Subject to regulations under section 12(a)(2), the
- 9 minor may not be employed before 7 a.m. or after 7 p.m.,
- 10 except that, during the school vacation period from June to
- 11 Labor Day, a minor shall be permitted to be employed until 9
- 12 p.m.
- 13 (2) The minor may not be employed for more than three
- hours on a school day nor more than eight hours on a day when
- 15 there is no school.
- 16 (3) The minor may not be employed for more than 18 hours
- during a week school is in session.
- 18 (4) The minor may not be employed for more than 40 hours
- 19 a week when school is not in session.
- 20 (c) Exceptions. -- The following exceptions apply to the
- 21 prohibitions of subsection (b):
- 22 (1) Poultry farm-minors who are at least 14 years of age
- or older may be employed until 10 p.m. on a farm by a person
- other than the farmer in the hatching, raising or harvesting
- of poultry as long as the minor is not working in an
- 26 agricultural occupation declared hazardous by the United
- 27 States Secretary of Labor.
- 28 (2) Newspaper-delivery minors and periodical-delivery
- 29 minors who are at least 14 years of age may be employed in
- 30 the distribution and sale of newspapers, magazines,

- 1 periodicals or other publications after 6 a.m. and before 8
- p.m., or until 9 p.m. as set forth in subsection (b)(1).
- 3 Section 7. Employment of minors 16 years of age or older.
- 4 (a) Permitted employment.--Minors who are at least 16 years
- 5 of age may be employed in occupations not prohibited under
- 6 section 4(d).
- 7 (b) Hours of employment.--
- 8 (1) Except as set forth in paragraph (2), hours of
- 9 employment for minors at least 16 years of age shall be
- 10 limited as follows:
- 11 (i) The minor may not be employed for more than 48
- 12 hours in a single week.; however a minor may refuse to
- 13 work in excess of 40 hours in a single week.
- 14 (ii) The minor may not be employed for more than
- eight hours in a single day.
- 16 (iii) The minor may not be employed for more than 28
- hours during a regular school week.
- 18 (iv) The minor may not be employed between the hours
- of 12 midnight and 6 a.m. on a school day, except that
- the minor may be employed until 1 a.m. on an evening
- 21 before a nonschool day.
- 22 (2) This subsection does not apply to a minor who:
- (i) is a high school graduate; or
- 24 (ii) is exempt from compulsory school attendance
- requirements under section 1330(1) of the act of March
- 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code
- of 1949.
- 28 (c) Employment in motels, clubs and restaurants in which
- 29 liquor is present.--Irrespective of the general limitation
- 30 delineated in section 4(c)(2), a minor who is at least 16 years

- 1 of age may be employed as follows in a motel, club and
- 2 restaurant in which liquor is present:
- 3 (1) The minor may be employed in that part of the 4 establishment in which alcoholic beverages are not served.
- 5 The minor may be employed to serve food, clear tables and perform other duties in a licensed establishment 6 whose sales of food and nonalcoholic beverages are equal to 7 8 at least 40% of the combined gross sales of both food and alcoholic beverages, if duties do not include the dispensing 9 10 or serving of alcoholic beverages. Before employing a minor 11 under this paragraph, an establishment licensed by the 12 Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board must furnish to the issuing 13 officer a certification that, for a period of not less than 14 90 days during the 12 months immediately preceding the date 15 of application, the establishment met the 40% threshold of
- 17 board governing the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday.
- 18 (d) Employment of minors in religious or scout organization

this paragraph in conformity with the regulations of the

- 19 summer camps or retreats. -- A minor at least 16 years of age who
- 20 is employed during the months of June, July, August or September
- 21 by a summer resident camp or a conference or retreat operated by
- 22 a religious or scout organization shall receive 24 consecutive
- 23 hours of rest, during every seven-day period. This subsection
- 24 does not apply to a minor employed primarily for general
- 25 maintenance work or food service activities.
- 26 Section 8. Employment of minors as performers in theater or
- film productions.
- 28 (a) Authorization. -- A minor may be employed in a theatrical
- 29 production, a musical recital or concert, an entertainment act,
- 30 modeling, radio, television, motion picture making or a similar

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- 1 form or medium of entertainment if all of the following apply:
- 2 (1) Except as set forth in subsection (b)(4), the minor
- 3 has an entertainment permit from the department.
- 4 (2) The performance is not hazardous to the minor's
- 5 safety or well-being.
- 6 (3) The minor does not perform after midnight.
- 7 (4) No alcoholic beverages are sold or dispensed during 8 the performance.

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- 9 (5) The minor does not appear in more than:
- 10 (i) two THREE performances in a single day; or
- 11 (ii) ten performances in a single week.
- 12 (6) For rehearsals for performances, length of time and
- hours of starting and finishing rehearsals added to
- 14 performance duties are not such as to be injurious or harmful
- 15 to the minor.
- 16 (b) Entertainment permits.--
- 17 (1) The department may issue an entertainment permit to
- a minor to be employed in a theatrical production, a musical
- 19 recital or concert, an entertainment act, modeling, radio,
- 20 television, motion picture making or a similar form or medium
- of entertainment. The entertainment permit shall insure
- compliance with subsection (a)(2) through (6).
- 23 (2) The department may issue an entertainment permit to
- a minor for temporary employment as part of the performing
- 25 cast in the production of motion pictures or television
- 26 programming as follows:
- 27 (i) The department must determine that adequate
- 28 provision has been made for the minor's educational
- instruction, supervision, health and welfare.
- 30 (ii) Unless the department determines that more

restrictive conditions are necessary, an entertainment permit under this paragraph shall authorize a minor to work as part of the performing cast for no more than 44 hours in a single week nor eight hours in a single day. Time spent on the set or on location while on call shall be excluded from any calculation of the maximum number of hours under this subparagraph if the department determines that adequate provision has been made for the minor's education, supervision and welfare during such intervals. The department may restrict the number of hours which may be spent on call by the minor.

- (iii) The department may waive restrictions contained in this act and in any other act on the time of day or night allowed for engaging in the employment authorized by this paragraph if the department determines that the waiver:
  - (A) is necessary to preserve the artistic integrity of the motion picture OR TELEVISION PROGRAMMING; and
  - (B) will not impair the educational instruction, supervision, health or welfare of the minor.

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- (iv) An entertainment permit under this paragraph shall be valid for up to six months.
- (v) An entertainment permit under this paragraph shall state that the minor for whom the entertainment permit is issued may not be allowed on a set during nor otherwise watch the filming or rehearsal for filming of a sexual act.
- 29 (3) Expected rehearsal time and the hours of starting 30 and finishing the rehearsal must be set forth in the

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1 application for an entertainment permit. The entertainment permit issued shall state what rehearsal time is permissible. 2 3 (4) The application must comply with all of the 4 following: 5 (i) Be made on a form signed by the employer of the minor and the parent or guardian of the minor. 6 Contain the seal of a notary public and a 7 statement that the facts as set forth in the application 8 9 are correct. (iii) State what provisions are in effect to provide 10 11 for: (A) the minor's educational instruction, 12 13 supervision, health and welfare; and 14 safeguarding and conservation for the minor 15 of the money derived from performance. (5) No entertainment permit shall be issued for a 16 17 performance if there is no adequate provision for the matters 18 set forth in paragraph (4)(iii). 19 (6) An appeal of a decision by the department under this subsection must be made to the secretary. The secretary shall 20 21 hold a hearing on the appeal. 22 (7) An entertainment permit is not to be required for a 23 minor who participates in a nonprofit, educational, theatrical production if all of the following apply: 24 (i) There is informed, written consent of the 25 26 minor's parent or guardian. (ii) Participation is: 27 28 (A) for a period of no more than 14 consecutive 29 days; and 30 (B) not during school hours.

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- 1 (iii) The minor receives no direct or indirect
- 2 remuneration.
- 3 (c) Conflicts.--Nothing in this section shall be construed
- 4 to supersede or repeal:
- 5 (1) any provision of this act unless an entertainment
- 6 permit is issued; or
- 7 (2) 18 Pa.C.S. § 5903 (relating to obscene and other
- 8 sexual materials and performances) or § 6312 (relating to
- 9 sexual abuse of children).
- 10 Section 9. Minors serving in volunteer emergency service
- 11 organizations.
- 12 (a) General rule.--A minor who is a member of a volunteer
- 13 emergency service organization may participate in training and
- 14 emergency service activities except as follows:
- 15 (1) A minor may not operate a truck, ambulance or other
- 16 official fire vehicle.
- 17 (2) A minor may not operate an aerial ladder, aerial
- 18 platform or hydraulic jack.
- 19 (3) A minor may not use rubber electrical gloves,
- 20 insulated wire gloves, insulated wire cutters, life nets or
- 21 acetylene cutting units.
- 22 (4) A minor may not operate the pump of a fire vehicle
- 23 while at the scene of a fire.
- 24 (5) A minor may not enter a burning structure.
- 25 (6) A minor may not engage in firefighting activities
- 26 unless all of the following apply:
- 27 (i) The minor is at least 16 years of age.
- 28 (ii) The minor has successfully completed a course
- of training equal to the standards for basic firefighting
- 30 established by the Department of Education and the

- 1 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- 2 (iii) The minor is under the direct supervision and
- 3 control of the fire chief, an experienced line officer or
- 4 a designated forest fire warden.
- 5 (b) Additional limitations for minors under 16 years of
- 6 age. -- In addition to the limitations delineated in subsection
- 7 (a), the activities of minors under 16 years of age shall be
- 8 further limited as follows:
- 9 (1) A minor under 16 years of age shall only be
- 10 permitted to perform the following activities:
- 11 (i) Training.
- 12 (ii) First aid.
- 13 (iii) Cleanup service at the scene of a fire,
- outside the structure and after the fire has been
- declared by the fire official in charge to be under
- 16 control.
- 17 (iv) Assist a coffee wagon and food services.
- 18 (2) A minor under 16 years of age may not do any of the
- 19 following:
- 20 (i) Operate high pressure hose lines except during
- 21 training activities.
- 22 (ii) Ascend ladders except during training
- 23 activities.
- 24 (c) Other prohibited activities. -- The department may
- 25 prohibit through regulation other activities that it deems
- 26 hazardous to the health of minors.
- 27 (d) Other provisions.--
- 28 (1) Except as set forth in this subsection, this section
- does not supersede any other provision of this act or any
- regulation promulgated under this act.

1 (2) A minor may continue serving in answer to a fire call until excused by the individual acting as chief of the 2 3 fire company if the minor: 4 (i) is at least 16 years of age; (ii) is a member of a volunteer fire company; and 5 (iii) answers a fire call while lawfully employed. 6 (3) A minor 14 OR 15 YEARS OF AGE may perform the 7 <----8 training or firefighting activities permitted under this section between the hours of 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. before a 9 school day if the minor: 10 11 (i) is at least 16 years of age; (ii) (I) is a member of a volunteer fire company; 12 13 and 14 (iii) (II) has the written consent of a parent or <---15 quardian. Section 10. Duties of employer. 16 17 (a) Work permits and parental authorization. --18 Unless a minor has the items listed in paragraph 19 (2), a minor may not be employed or permitted to work: 20 (i) in, about or in connection with an establishment; or 21 22 (ii) in an occupation. 23 (2) To be permitted to work under paragraph (1), a minor must have all of the following: 24 25 (i) A work permit. 26 (ii) A written, notarized statement by the minor's 27 parent or guardian acknowledging understanding of the 28 duties and hours of employment and granting permission to 29 work. Before employing a minor, an employer shall do all 30

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- 1 of the following:
- 2 (i) Verify work permit under paragraph (2)(i).
- 3 (ii) Receive the statement under paragraph (2)(ii).
- 4 (b) Notification. -- The employer shall acknowledge to the
- 5 issuing official in writing the employment of a minor and shall
- 6 detail the normal duties and hours of employment within five
- 7 days after the beginning of employment and shall include the age
- 8 and permit number of the minor. On termination of employment of
- 9 a minor, the employer shall notify the issuing official within
- 10 five days of the final day of employment that the minor no
- 11 longer is employed by the employer.
- 12 (c) Posting requirement. -- An employer shall post in a
- 13 conspicuous place in the establishment all of the following:
- 14 (1) A printed abstract of the sections of this act
- 15 relating to the hours of labor.
- 16 (2) A list of the minors employed in the establishment.
- 17 (3) A schedule of the hours of labor of the minors
- listed in subparagraph (ii). The schedule of hours of labor
- 19 shall contain:
- 20 (i) the maximum number of hours each minor is
- 21 required or permitted to work on each day of the week;
- 22 (ii) the weekly total for each minor; and
- 23 (iii) the daily hours for commencing and stopping
- work and for time allowed for meals.
- 25 (d) Records.--
- 26 (1) An employer shall maintain a record of minors at the
- work site which contains, for each holder, a copy of the work
- 28 permit, the original notarized permission statement required
- in subsection (a) and a copy of the letter sent to the
- 30 issuing official announcing the employment of the minor.

- 1 (2) An employer shall maintain records for employed
- 2 minors in compliance with the recordkeeping requirements of
- 3 the act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.11, No.5), known as The
- 4 Minimum Wage Act of 1968, AND SHALL MAINTAIN ACCURATE RECORDS <---
- 5 OF THE ACTUAL DAYS, HOURS AND TIMES OF DAY THE MINORS WORKED,
- 6 INCLUDING BREAKS.
- 7 (3) An employer shall provide an enforcement officer
- 8 with access to records kept under this subsection.
- 9 Section 11. Work permit.
- 10 (a) Form and content.--
- 11 (1) A work permit shall be issued on a wallet-sized form
- 12 prescribed by the department. The certificate shall contain
- the following information related to the holder:
- 14 (i) Name.
- 15 (ii) Sex.
- 16 (iii) Date and place of birth.
- 17 (iv) Place of residence.
- 18 (v) Color of hair and eyes.
- 19 (vi) Any distinguishing physical characteristics or
- 20 physical limitation.
- 21 (2) The work permit shall certify that:
- (i) the holder has personally appeared before the
- issuing officer and has been examined;
- 24 (ii) all papers required by law have been examined,
- approved and filed; and
- 26 (iii) all conditions and requirements for issuing a
- 27 permit have been fulfilled.
- 28 (3) The work permit shall be signed, in the presence of
- 29 the issuing officer, by the holder.
- 30 (4) The work permit shall bear a number, the date of

1 issuance and the signature of the issuing officer. (b) Application. --2. 3 (1) Documentation. --4 (i) Except as set forth in subparagraph (ii), application for a work permit must be verified as 5 follows: 6 The applicant's parent or guardian must sign 7 the application. 8 9 In lieu of a signature under clause (A), the 10 applicant may execute a statement before a notary 11 public or other person authorized to administer oaths 12 attesting to the accuracy of the facts set forth in 13 the application on a form prescribed by the department. The statement shall be attached to the 14 15 application. Subparagraph (i) does not apply if the 16 17 applicant can demonstrate official proof of high school 18 graduation. (2) Examination.--19 20 (i) Except as set forth in paragraph (ii), a work 21 permit shall not be issued until the applicant has 22 personally appeared before and been examined by the 23 issuing officer. 24 (ii) Subparagraph (i) does not apply if the 25 applicant can demonstrate official proof of high school 26 graduation. 27 (3) Documentation. -- The issuing officer shall not issue 28 a work permit until the issuing officer has received, examined, approved and filed the following papers which 29 30 verify the minor's age:

(i) If proof of age is an official document or record of the Commonwealth or government of another state or governmental subdivision of another state, it need not be filed if the issuing officer records the information necessary to enable the document or record to be located at the place where it is filed. If proof of age is other than an official document or record of the Commonwealth or government of another state or governmental subdivision of another state, the following is the order of preference for acceptable proof under this subparagraph:

- (A) An attested transcript of the birth certificate, filed according to law with a register of vital statistics or other officer charged with the duty of recording birth.
- (B) A certified baptismal certificate or transcript of the record of baptism showing the date of birth.
  - (C) A passport showing the age of immigrant.
- (D) Any certified documentary record of age other than a school record or an affidavit of age, which appears to the satisfaction of the issuing officer to be sufficient evidence of age.
- (E) The signed statement of a physician, approved by the board of school directors, stating that, after examination, it is the opinion of the physician that the applicant has attained the age required by the law for the occupation in which the minor expects to engage. The statement must be accompanied by an affidavit signed by the applicant's

1 parent or guardian or, if there is no parent or

guardian, by the applicant's next friend and

3 certifying to the name, date and place of birth of

4 the applicant and that the individual signing the

5 statement is unable to produce any of the proofs of

6 age specified in clauses (A) through (D).

- 7 (ii) (Reserved).
- 8 (d) Issuance.--If all application requirements are met, a
- 9 work permit shall be issued by an issuing officer unless it is
- 10 the issuing officer's judgment that the minor cannot maintain
- 11 adequate academic achievement if permitted to work during the
- 12 school year.
- 13 (e) Revocation. -- An issuing officer may revoke a work permit
- 14 if it is the issuing officer's judgment that the minor cannot
- 15 maintain adequate academic achievement if permitted to work
- 16 during the school year.
- 17 Section 12. Administration.
- 18 (a) Duties of department.--The department has the following
- 19 powers and duties:
- 20 (1) Prescribe the forms necessary to implement this act.
- 21 (2) Promulgate regulations to administer this act which
- are consistent as possible with the regulations promulgated
- 23 under the Fair Labor Standards Act. Regulations under this
- 24 paragraph may establish a procedure for an employer that is
- 25 not subject to the Fair Labor Standards Act to receive an
- 26 extension until 10 p.m. of the 9 p.m. time limitation under
- 27 section 6(b)(1). An extension granted under this procedure
- 28 shall specify that the extension does not apply to Federal
- 29 enforcement or administration of the Fair Labor Standards
- 30 Act.

- 1 (3) Provide copies of this act and blank forms for
- 2 compliance with its provisions to employers and prospective
- 3 employers.
- 4 (b) Secretary. -- For the enforcement of this act, the
- 5 secretary or a designee has investigatory subpoena power and the
- 6 duty to issue a subpoena upon application of an attorney of the
- 7 Office of General Counsel assigned to the department.
- 8 Application may be made to Commonwealth Court to enforce a
- 9 subpoena. Nothing in this section shall be construed to excuse a
- 10 person from producing documents and records as requested by the
- 11 department under any other provision of law.
- 12 (c) Duties of Department of Education. -- The Department of
- 13 Education shall distribute to school districts all forms
- 14 necessary for the enforcement of this act.
- 15 (d) Duties of school districts.--School districts shall
- 16 administer applications and issuance of work permits pursuant to
- 17 section 11 and may initiate enforcement actions under subsection
- 18 (e).
- 19 (e) Enforcement.--Enforcement officers may initiate
- 20 prosecution for violations of this act.
- 21 (f) Suspected violations of age requirements.--
- 22 (1) If an enforcement officer has reason to believe that
- an individual working without a work permit is a minor or
- that a minor with a work permit is working in violation of
- 25 the age restrictions set forth in this act, the officer may
- demand that the person employing the individual within ten
- 27 days:
- 28 (i) furnish to the officer proof of age; or
- 29 (ii) cease to employ or permit the individual to
- work.

- 1 (2) Proof of a demand under paragraph (1) and of failure
- 2 to comply with paragraph (1)(i) constitutes prima facie
- 3 evidence of the illegal employment of a minor.
- 4 (3) Compliance with paragraph (1)(ii) does not relieve a
- 5 person from liability under section 13.
- 6 Section 13. Penalties.
- 7 (a) Criminal.--
- 8 (1) A person may not do any of the following:
- 9 (i) Intentionally violate this act.
- 10 (ii) Interfere with the functions of an enforcement
- 11 officer.
- 12 (iii) Compel or permit a minor to violate this act.
- 13 (iv) Fail, after notice, to provide records under
- 14 section 10(d)(3) or 12(b).
- 15 (v) Falsify records under this act.
- 16 (2) Except as set forth in paragraph (3), a person that
- violates paragraph (1) commits a summary offense and shall,
- 18 upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than
- 19 \$100 nor more than \$500.
- 20 (3) A person that, after being sentenced under paragraph
- 21 (2), violates paragraph (1) commits a summary offense and
- 22 shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not
- 23 less than \$500 nor more than \$1,500 or to imprisonment for
- 24 not more than ten days, or both.
- 25 (b) Administrative penalties. -- The department may impose an
- 26 administrative penalty of not less than \$100 nor more than
- 27 \$1,000 for each violation of this act. This subsection is
- 28 subject to 2 Pa.C.S. Ch. 5 Subch. A (relating to practice and
- 29 procedure of Commonwealth agencies) and Ch. 7 Subch. A (relating
- 30 to judicial review of Commonwealth agency action).

- 1 Section 14. Employment of minors in student-learner and
- 2 apprenticeship programs.
- 3 A minor may be employed in a work experience and career
- 4 exploration program, an apprenticeship program and a school-to-
- 5 work program, to the extent permitted by regulations promulgated
- 6 under this act and not prohibited by the Fair Labor Standards
- 7 Act.
- 8 Section 15. Applicability.
- 9 (a) Domestic service. -- This act shall not apply to the
- 10 employment of a minor in domestic service in or around private
- 11 homes.
- 12 (b) Agricultural employment.--Agricultural employment which
- 13 is exempt from coverage of the child labor provisions of the
- 14 Fair Labor Standards Act shall be exempt from coverage of this
- 15 act.
- 16 Section 16. Repeal.
- 17 The act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286, No.177), known as the Child
- 18 Labor Law, is repealed.
- 19 Section 17. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect June 30, 2003.