THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 113

Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY HALUSKA, ARGALL, BARD, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BROWNE, BUNT, CAUSER, CAWLEY, CORRIGAN, COY, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DALEY, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, EACHUS, D. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FLEAGLE, FREEMAN, GEIST, GEORGE, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, HORSEY, HUTCHINSON, KIRKLAND, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEACH, LEDERER, MACKERETH, MANN, MARKOSEK, McGEEHAN, McILHATTAN, MELIO, S. MILLER, NAILOR, PALLONE, PETRONE, PICKETT, PISTELLA, PRESTON, READSHAW, RUFFING, SAINATO, SATHER, SAYLOR, SCRIMENTI, SEMMEL, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, WANSACZ, WASHINGTON, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, SURRA AND McCALL, FEBRUARY 6, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 6, 2003

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, providing for firefighter and
- 6 emergency service training as creditable high school courses.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
- 10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
- 11 section to read:
- 12 Section 1550. Firefighter and Emergency Service Training.--
- 13 (a) Firefighter and emergency service training may be added to
- 14 high school curricula as credit-earning courses.
- 15 (b) The courses may be made available only to students

- 1 sixteen (16) years of age or older and may include:
- 2 (1) Training as a firefighter I from the National Board of
- 3 Professional Qualifications.
- 4 (2) Training as an emergency medical technician by the
- 5 Department of Health under the act of July 3, 1985 (P.L.164,
- 6 No.45), known as the "Emergency Medical Services Act."
- 7 (c) If the school district adds firefighter and emergency
- 8 service training as credit-earning courses, the school district
- 9 <u>shall provide transportation and supervision for firefighter and</u>
- 10 emergency service training that takes place off school grounds.
- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.