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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, MARCH 22, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Prohibiting certain licensees from knowingly employing illegal 2 aliens; and imposing sanctions.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby enacts as follows:
- 5 Section 1. Short title.
- 6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Professional
- 7 Licensees Illegal Employment Act.
- 8 Section 2. Definitions.
- 9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 11 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 12 "Licensee." An individual, corporation, partnership, limited
- 13 liability company or other legal entity that holds a license
- 14 issued by a licensing board or licensing commission.
- 15 "Licensing board." Any departmental or administrative board

- 1 under the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs in the
- 2 Department of State.
- 3 "Licensing commission." Any departmental or administrative
- 4 commission under the Bureau of Professional and Occupational
- 5 Affairs in the Department of State.
- 6 "Unauthorized alien." An alien who does not have the legal
- 7 right or authorization under Federal law to work in the United
- 8 States, as defined under section 274A of the Immigration and
- 9 Nationality Act (66 Stat. 163, 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(h)(3).
- 10 Section 3. Prohibition.
- 11 No licensee shall knowingly employ or permit the employment
- 12 of an unauthorized alien.
- 13 Section 4. Sanction.
- 14 (a) Revocation.--If a licensing board or licensing
- 15 commission finds that a licensee has violated section 3, it
- 16 shall revoke the license.
- 17 (b) Administrative agency law.--This section shall be
- 18 subject to 2 Pa.C.S. Chs. 5 Subch. A (relating to practice and
- 19 procedure of Commonwealth agencies) and 7 Subch. A (relating to
- 20 judicial review of Commonwealth agency action).
- 21 Section 5. Affirmative defense.
- 22 It shall be an affirmative defense to any proceeding for a
- 23 violation of this act that a licensee:
- 24 (1) complied with section 274A of the Immigration and
- Nationality Act (Public Law 99-603, 8 U.S.C. § 1324a) with
- 26 respect to hiring, recruiting or referring an individual for
- 27 employment in the United States; or
- 28 (2) required any contractor to certify compliance with
- 29 section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act with
- 30 respect to hiring, recruiting or referring an individual for

- 1 employment in the United States, and has notified the
- 2 appropriate Federal authority if the licensee knew that the
- 3 contractor employed an unauthorized alien.
- 4 Section 6. Effective date.
- 5 This act shall take effect in 60 days.