## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY BROWN, WHEATLEY, BUXTON, JOSEPHS, THOMAS, BISHOP, CALTAGIRONE, HENNESSEY, KIRKLAND, McCALL, PARKER, ROEBUCK, SIPTROTH, STURLA, WATERS AND YOUNGBLOOD, JANUARY 19, 2010

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 19, 2010

## AN ACT

1 2 3	Amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in small and disadvantaged businesses, providing for reciprocity of certifications.
4	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5	hereby enacts as follows:
6	Section 1. Title 62 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7	Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
8	<u>§ 2109. Reciprocity of certifications.</u>
9	(a) Certification processIn order to create greater
10	uniformity and consistency in the Commonwealth's certification
11	process, the department shall accept the certification of the
12	Pennsylvania Unified Certification Program. Certification of any
13	minority-owned, women-owned or disadvantaged business enterprise
14	by the department may be accepted by any governmental or public
15	entity as being adequate certification for the purpose of
16	bidding or participating on any governmental or public bid,
17	<u>contract or award.</u>
18	(b) Diversity programAny governmental or public entity,

1	including colleges and universities, receiving Commonwealth
2	funds of any amount shall implement a minority-owned, women-
3	owned and disadvantaged business enterprise diversity program
4	that is subject to review by the department. If a governmental
5	or public entity, including colleges and universities, does not
6	have a minority-owned, women-owned or disadvantaged business
7	enterprise program, the Commonwealth's program under the Bureau
7 8	enterprise program, the Commonwealth's program under the Bureau of Minority and Women Business Opportunities within the
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8	of Minority and Women Business Opportunities within the department shall be applied to any contract, grant or project