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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, APRIL 26, 2010

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An 2 act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial 3 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," in vocational education, further 5 providing for the definition of "vocational agricultural 6 education." 7 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 10 Section 1. Section 1801(4) of the act of March 10, 1949 11 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is 12 amended to read: 13 Section 1801. Definitions. -- The following words and phrases 14 as used in this article shall, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, have the following meanings: 15 * * * 16 17 (4) "Vocational agricultural education" shall mean that form

of vocational education which [fits for the occupations

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- 1 connected with the tillage of the soil, the care of domestic
- 2 animals, forestry, and other wage-earning or productive work on
- 3 the farm] provides students with the skills and academics needed
- 4 to enter and advance in careers in the food, agriculture and
- 5 <u>natural resources sciences, such as production agriculture,</u>
- 6 <u>agribusiness management and marketing</u>, <u>agricultural research</u>,
- 7 energy systems, agricultural mechanics and engineering, food
- 8 science, processing and retailing, banking, agricultural
- 9 <u>education</u>, forestry, horticulture, landscaping, rural-urban
- 10 <u>interfacing and other related fields</u>.
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- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.