## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 2117 Session of 2012

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 17, 2012

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for definitions and
- for creditable nonstate service.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 5102 of Title 71 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:
- 8 § 5102. Definitions.
- 9 The following words and phrases as used in this part, unless
- 10 a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall
- 11 have the following meanings:
- 12 \* \* \*
- 13 "Municipal police officer." An individual employed as a
- 14 police officer who is certified under the act of February 1,
- 15 1974 (P.L.34, No.15), known as the Pennsylvania Municipal
- 16 Retirement Law.

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- 2 Section 2. Section 5304(c) of Title 71 is amended to read:
- 3 § 5304. Creditable nonstate service.
- 4 \* \* \*
- 5 (c) Limitations on nonstate service.--Creditable nonstate 6 service credit shall be limited to:
- 7 (1) intervening military service;
- 8 (2) military service other than intervening military
  9 service and military service purchasable under section
  10 5302(d) (relating to credited State service) not exceeding
  11 five years, provided that a member with multiple service may
  12 not purchase more than a total of five years of military
  13 service in both the system and the Public School Employees'
- 14 Retirement System;
- 15 in the case of an academic administrator, teacher or 16 instructor employed in the Department of Education, the State 17 System of Higher Education, any State-owned educational 18 institution or The Pennsylvania State University, provided 19 that the total amount of service creditable under this 20 paragraph shall not exceed the lesser of ten years or the 21 number of years of active membership in the system as an 22 academic administrator, teacher or instructor in the 23 Department of Education, State System of Higher Education, 24 any State-owned educational institution or The Pennsylvania 25 State University:
  - (i) nonstudent service as an academic administrator, teacher or instructor in any public school or public educational institution in any state other than this Commonwealth; or
- 30 (ii) nonstudent service as an academic

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- administrator, teacher or instructor in the field of education for any agency or department of the Federal Government, whether or not such area was under the jurisdiction of the United States;
  - (4) previous service with a governmental agency other than the Commonwealth which employment with said agency was terminated because of the transfer by statute of the administration of such service or of the entire agency to the Commonwealth;
- service as a temporary Federal employee assigned to 10 (5) 11 an air quality control complement for the Pennsylvania 12 Department of Environmental Resources at any time during the 13 period of 1970 through 1975. This service time may be 14 purchased only if the member makes an election to purchase 15 within one year of the effective date of this paragraph, and 16 the member shall pay an amount which is equal to the full 17 actuarial cost of the increased benefit obtained by virtue of 18 the purchase as provided in section 5505(f);
  - (6) service in the Cadet Nurse Corps with respect to any period of training as a student or graduate nurse under a plan approved under section 2 of the act of June 15, 1943 (Public Law 78-73, 57 Stat. 153), if the total period of training under such plan was at least two years, the credit for such service not to exceed three years;
- (7) service prior to July 1, 1971, at a community

  college established under the act of August 24, 1963

  (P.L.1132, No.484), known as the Community College Act of

  1963; [or]
- 29 (8) service as a justice of the peace prior to January 30 1970[.]; or

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- 1 (9) service as a municipal police officer within this
- 2 <u>Commonwealth by a member of the Pennsylvania State Police</u>,
- 3 the credit for such service not to exceed five years.
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- 5 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.