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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 277 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY VOGEL, MENSCH, FONTANA, YUDICHAK, SCARNATI,  
ROBBINS, BREWSTER, ALLOWAY, VULAKOVICH, SOLOBAY, GREENLEAF,  
FOLMER, ERICKSON, BAKER, WAUGH AND D. WHITE, JANUARY 18, 2013

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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 18, 2013

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, further providing for commercial driver's license  
3 qualification standards.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 1607(b) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 1607. Commercial driver's license qualification standards.

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10 (b) Waiver of test.--The department shall waive the skills  
11 test specified in this section for a commercial driver's license  
12 applicant:

13 (1) Holding a valid Class 2, 3 or 4 license who meets  
14 the requirements of Federal regulations. If permitted by  
15 Federal regulation, the department may waive the written test  
16 requirement for a commercial driver's license applicant  
17 holding a valid Class 2, 3 or 4 license.

18 (2) Who, subject to the limitations and requirements of

1 49 CFR 383.77 (relating to substitute for driving skills  
2 tests), meets all certifications required for waiver under 49  
3 CFR 383.77 and who certifies all of the following:

4 (i) That the applicant is a member of the active or  
5 reserve components of any branch or unit of the armed  
6 forces of the United States or a veteran who received an  
7 honorable discharge from any branch or unit of the active  
8 or reserve components of the armed forces of the United  
9 States.

10 (ii) That the applicant is or was regularly employed  
11 in a position in the armed forces of the United States  
12 requiring operation of a commercial motor vehicle.

13 (iii) That the applicant has legally operated, for  
14 at least two years [immediately preceding application]  
15 prior to applying for a commercial driver's license, a  
16 vehicle representative of the commercial motor vehicle  
17 the driver applicant operates or expects to operate,  
18 either under the exemption from this Commonwealth's  
19 commercial driver's license requirement provided by  
20 section 1606(b)(2) (relating to requirement for  
21 commercial driver's license) or the equivalent exemption  
22 of another state or while on active duty in a foreign  
23 jurisdiction.

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25 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.