

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 18, 2001 (P.L.949, No.114),
2 entitled, as amended, "An act establishing a unified
3 workforce investment system; restructuring certain
4 administrative functions, procedures and entities;
5 transferring workforce development functions of Commonwealth
6 agencies; establishing the Pennsylvania Workforce Investment
7 Board; providing for critical job training grants, for
8 guarantees for program quality and performance for workforce
9 development programs, for workforce leadership grants and for
10 industry partnerships; establishing the Keystone Works
11 Program; and authorizing local workforce investment boards,"
12 providing for preference for training programs.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. The act of December 18, 2001 (P.L.949, No.114),
16 known as the Workforce Development Act, is amended by adding a
17 section to read:

18 Section 105. Preference for training programs.

19 (a) Pennsylvania National Guard and reserve component
20 members.--Unless prohibited by Federal law or regulation, a
21 member of the Pennsylvania National Guard or a reserve component

1 of the United States Armed Forces who has been ordered to active
2 Federal or State service shall be given a preference for
3 placement in any program under this act for a period of one year
4 after discharge from active duty. Preference for placement shall
5 be given after the member provides documentation of the dates of
6 active duty and meets the eligibility requirements of the
7 program.

8 (b) Spouses.--Unless prohibited by Federal law or
9 regulation, a spouse of a member of the Pennsylvania National
10 Guard or a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces
11 who has been ordered to active Federal or State service shall be
12 given a preference for placement in any program under this act.
13 Preference for placement shall be given after the spouse
14 provides documentation of the member's dates of active duty and
15 meets the eligibility requirements of the program.

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