THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1016 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY STEFANO, BROWNE, WHITE, WARD, WAGNER AND VULAKOVICH, SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the 3 Executive Department thereof and the administrative 4 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 6 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or 7 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 8 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and 9 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 10 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the 12 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive 13 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of 14 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 15 16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, 17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 18 19 commissions shall be determined, " in administrative 20 organization, further providing for qualifications of 21 22 employees. 23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 24 hereby enacts as follows: 25 Section 1. Section 217 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, 26 No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended to 27 read:
- 28 Section 217. Qualifications of employees.--(a) All

- 1 deputies, directors, superintendents, and bureau or division
- 2 chiefs, and other [employes] employees, shall be persons
- 3 especially qualified for their positions by training and
- 4 experience in the particular kind of work which their official
- 5 duties will require them to perform.
- 6 (b) An individual who applies for a position or promotion as
- 7 an employee in the Executive, Legislative or Judicial Branch of
- 8 State Government must be a resident or former resident of this
- 9 <u>Commonwealth. A former resident of this Commonwealth must have</u>
- 10 relocated out-of-State for academic or employment purposes and
- 11 agree to establish Commonwealth residency within six months of
- 12 beginning employment or assuming the duties of the promotion.
- 13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.