THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY C. QUINN, ELLIS, RYAN, DRISCOLL, YOUNGBLOOD, MURT, MOUL, ZIMMERMAN AND WATSON, MARCH 6, 2018

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, MARCH 6, 2018

AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain 2 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial 3 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the 4 laws relating thereto," in preliminary provisions, providing for information regarding education loans. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:
- Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known 9
- 10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
- section to read: 11
- 12 Section 127. Information Regarding Education Loans. -- (a) An
- 13 institution of higher education that receives Federal education
- 14 loan information or other student loan information regarding a
- 15 student enrolled at the institution of higher education shall
- 16 provide the following to the student on an annual basis prior to
- 17 the student's acceptance of the Federal education loan or other
- 18 student loan:
- 19 (1) An estimate of the total amount of Federal education
- 20 loans or other student loans taken out by the student.

- 1 (2) Subject to subsection (b), an estimate of the following:
- 2 (i) The potential total payoff amount of the Federal
- 3 education loans or other student loans incurred or a range of
- 4 the total payoff amount.
- 5 (ii) Monthly repayment amounts that a similarly situated
- 6 borrower may incur, including principal and interest, for the
- 7 amount of the Federal education loans or other student loans
- 8 taken out at the time that the information is provided.
- 9 (3) The number of years used in determining the potential
- 10 total payoff amount.
- 11 (4) Information on how the student can access online
- 12 <u>repayment calculators.</u>
- 13 <u>(5) The percentage of the borrowing limit that the student</u>
- 14 has reached at the time that the information is provided.
- 15 (b) The information provided to the student under subsection
- 16 (a) may include a statement that any estimate or range provided
- 17 is general in nature and not intended to be a guarantee or
- 18 promise of an actual projected amount.
- 19 (c) An institution of higher education shall not incur
- 20 liability for any representation made under this section.
- 21 (d) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
- 22 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless
- 23 <u>the context clearly indicates otherwise:</u>
- "Institution of higher education." As defined in section
- 25 118(c).
- 26 "Student." As defined in section 118(c).
- 27 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.