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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, JUNE 14, 2022

AN ACT

- 1 Providing for the Same-Day Work and Pay Pilot Program; providing
- for program and for program operation; imposing duties on the
- 3 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; and making
- 4 an appropriation.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Short title.
- 8 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Same-Day Work
- 9 and Pay Pilot Program Act.
- 10 Section 2. Definitions.
- 11 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 12 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 13 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 14 "Department." The Department of Conservation and Natural
- 15 Resources of the Commonwealth.
- 16 "Municipality." A county, city, borough, incorporated town,
- 17 township or home rule municipality.
- 18 "Program." The Same-Day Work and Pay Pilot Program

- 1 established under section 3.
- 2 Section 3. Purpose of program establishment.
- 3 The department shall establish the Same-Day Work and Pay
- 4 Pilot Program to assess the feasibility of implementing a
- 5 Statewide same-day work and pay program for municipalities to
- 6 assist underemployed and unemployed individuals.
- 7 Section 4. Program.
- 8 (a) Requirement. -- A municipality that participates in the
- 9 program shall employ underemployed and unemployed individuals to
- 10 perform daily work on assignments, including, but not limited
- 11 to:
- 12 (1) rehabilitation and repair of community parks and
- 13 recreation facilities;
- 14 (2) community conservation and beautification projects;
- 15 and
- 16 (3) other community improvement projects.
- 17 (b) Compensation and payment. -- An individual employed under
- 18 the program shall receive a set compensation amount per day
- 19 based on a set number of hours worked as determined by the
- 20 department. An individual shall be paid at the completion of the
- 21 workday.
- 22 Section 5. Program operation.
- The program shall operate for a period of one year beginning
- 24 no later than one year after the effective date of this section.
- 25 Upon expiration of the one-year period, the department shall
- 26 submit a notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for
- 27 publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The program shall
- 28 cease operations upon the publication of the notice in the
- 29 Pennsylvania Bulletin.
- 30 Section 6. Duties of the department.

- 1 (a) Guidelines and procedures. -- Before the program begins,
- 2 the department shall establish quidelines and procedures for the
- 3 program, including the following:
- 4 (1) Eligibility criteria to participate in the program.
- 5 (2) A uniform procedure to report data and information
- about the operation of the program to the department.
- 7 (3) An evaluation and review of the program.
- 8 (b) Evaluation. -- No later than six months after the program
- 9 ceases operations, the department shall issue an evaluation of
- 10 the program and submit a notice of the evaluation to the
- 11 Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania
- 12 Bulletin and post the evaluation on the department's publicly
- 13 accessible Internet website.
- 14 Section 7. Appropriation.
- The sum of \$5,000,000 is appropriated to the program from
- 16 money received by the Commonwealth from the Federal Government
- 17 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2,
- 18 135 Stat. 4).
- 19 Section 8. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect in 60 days.