

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY BISHOP, DeLUCA, PESCI, TANGRETTI, TRELLO,
LAUGHLIN, BEBKO-JONES, BATTISTO AND FAJT, JANUARY 27, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JANUARY 27, 1993

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," requiring participation in
4 a parenting skills program as a condition of eligibility for
5 general assistance; and making an appropriation.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. The act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known
9 as the Public Welfare Code, is amended by adding sections to
10 read:

11 Section 214. Parenting Skills Program.--The department shall
12 operate a parenting skills program to teach basic parenting
13 skills to individuals. The department may operate the program
14 with its own staff or by contracts.

15 Section 405.3. Parenting Skills Program.--Prior to the
16 authorization of general assistance, if a minor under age
17 eighteen resides with the individual applying for assistance,
18 the individual must participate in the parenting skills program
19 under section 214. If an individual receiving general assistance

1 ceases participation in the parenting skills program without
2 completing it, general assistance shall be suspended until the
3 individual resumes participation in the program.

4 Section 2. The sum of \$, or as much thereof as
5 may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of
6 Public Welfare for the fiscal year July 1, 1992, to June 30,
7 1993, to carry out the provisions of this act.

8 Section 3. This act shall take effect as follows:

9 (1) The addition of section 405.3 of the act shall take
10 effect in 240 days.

11 (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 60
12 days.