

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, APRIL 26, 2005

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for deferral of Pennsylvania
3 Higher Education Assistance Agency loan payments for certain
4 Pennsylvania National Guard members.

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

7 Section 1. Title 51 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 3106. Deferred PHEAA loan payments.

10 (a) Applicability.--This section shall apply to members of
11 the Pennsylvania National Guard who are called or ordered to
12 active duty with the armed forces of the United States, other
13 than active duty for training, or to State active duty under

1 this title, and members of other reserve components who are
2 called or ordered to active duty with the armed forces of the
3 United States, other than active duty for training, when the
4 period of active duty or State active duty is 30 consecutive
5 days or more.

6 (b) Deferral of payments.--A member of the Pennsylvania
7 National Guard or other reserve component of the armed forces of
8 the United States, as described in subsection (a), may defer
9 without cost, penalty or accrual of interest any educational
10 loan payments due to the Pennsylvania Higher Education
11 Assistance Agency during the period of active duty described in
12 subsection (a).

13 (c) Grace period.--A member of the Pennsylvania National
14 Guard or other reserve component of the armed forces of the
15 United States, as described in subsection (a), may defer without
16 cost, penalty or accrual of interest any educational loan
17 payment due or that may be due to the Pennsylvania Higher
18 Education Assistance Agency for a period of six months
19 immediately following the period of active duty described in
20 subsection (a). To qualify under this section, the member shall
21 provide documentation showing the dates of active duty to the
22 Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

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