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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1285** Session of  
2006

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INTRODUCED BY WOZNIAK, COSTA, RAFFERTY, MUSTO, LOGAN, CORMAN,  
FONTANA, STOUT, TARTAGLIONE, MELLOW, GORDNER, O'PAKE, RHOADES  
AND REGOLA, JULY 13, 2006

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REFERRED TO FINANCE, JULY 13, 2006

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for credited State  
3 service.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5302(b)(2) of Title 71 of the  
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 5302. Credited State service.

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10 (b) Creditable leaves of absence.--

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12 (2) An active member on paid leave granted by an  
13 employer for purposes of serving as an appointed or elected  
14 full-time official or officer at his union rate of  
15 compensation or as an elected full-time officer for a  
16 Statewide employee organization which is a collective  
17 bargaining representative under the act of June 24, 1968  
18 (P.L.237, No.111), referred to as the Policemen and Firemen

1     Collective Bargaining Act, or the act of July 23, 1970  
2     (P.L.563, No.195), known as the Public Employe Relations Act:  
3     Provided, That [such leave shall not be for more than three  
4     consecutive terms of the same office; that] the employer  
5     shall fully compensate the member, including, but not limited  
6     to, salary, wages, pension and retirement contributions and  
7     benefits, other benefits and seniority, as if he were in  
8     full-time active service; and that the Statewide employee  
9     organization shall fully reimburse the employer for all  
10    expenses and costs of such paid leave, including, but not  
11    limited to, contributions and payment in accordance with  
12    sections 5501, 5505.1 and 5507, if the employee organization  
13    either directly pays, or reimburses the Commonwealth or other  
14    employer for, contributions made in accordance with section  
15    5507.  
16    \* \* \*  
17    Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.