THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1285 Session of 2006

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

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, OCTOBER 18, 2006

AN ACT

Amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for credited State 3 service. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 4 hereby enacts as follows: 5 Section 1. Section 5302(b)(2) of Title 71 of the 6 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read: § 5302. Credited State service. * * * 9 10 (b) Creditable leaves of absence. --* * * 11 12 (2) An active member on paid leave granted by an 13 employer for purposes of serving as an elected full-time 14 officer for a Statewide employee organization which is a 15 collective bargaining representative under the act of June 24, 1968 (P.L.237, No.111), referred to as the Policemen and 16 17 Firemen Collective Bargaining Act, or the act of July 23,

1 1970 (P.L.563, No.195), known as the Public Employe Relations

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- 2 Act, and not more than UP TO 14 full-time business agents
- 3 <u>appointed by an employee organization that represents</u>
- 4 <u>correction officers employed at State correctional</u>
- 5 <u>institutions</u>: Provided, That <u>for elected full-time officers</u>
- 6 such leave shall not be for more than three consecutive terms
- 7 of the same office <u>and for the UP TO 14 full-time business</u>
- 8 agents appointed by an employee organization that represents
- 9 correction officers employed at State correctional
- 10 <u>institutions no more than three consecutive terms of the same</u>
- 11 <u>office</u>; that the employer shall fully compensate the member,
- including, but not limited to, salary, wages, pension and
- 13 retirement contributions and benefits, other benefits and
- seniority, as if he were in full-time active service; and
- that the Statewide employee organization shall fully
- reimburse the employer for all expenses and costs of such
- paid leave, including, but not limited to, contributions and
- payment in accordance with sections 5501, 5505.1 and 5507, if
- 19 the employee organization either directly pays, or reimburses
- the Commonwealth or other employer for, contributions made in
- accordance with section 5507.
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- 23 Section 2. The amendment of 71 Pa.C.S. § 5302(b)(2),
- 24 INSOFAR AS IT RELATES TO BUSINESS AGENTS APPOINTED BY AN
- 25 EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING CORRECTION OFFICERS AT STATE
- 26 CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS, shall apply only to leaves of absence
- 27 approved after December 31, 2006, for active members who are
- 28 appointed as the business agents identified in section
- 29 5302(b)(2).
- 30 Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2007.