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MARCH 29, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, MARCH 29, 2007

AN ACT

1 Establishing an Urban Educators Recruitment Program in the
2 Department of Education; and making an appropriation.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Urban
7 Educators Recruitment Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
11 context clearly indicates otherwise:

12 "Department." The Department of Education of the
13 Commonwealth.

14 "Program." The Urban Educators Recruitment Program
15 established by this act.

16 Section 3. Urban Educators Recruitment Program.

1 (a) Program established.--There is hereby established in the
2 Department of Education an Urban Educators Recruitment Program.

3 (b) Program description.--At a minimum the program shall:

4 (1) Provide scholarships to postsecondary students
5 committed to teach in an urban public school for at least
6 five years.

7 (2) Provide resources to member institutions of the
8 State System of Higher Education for the purpose of
9 communicating to their students information related to
10 teaching opportunities available in urban public schools.

11 (3) Identify urban areas which have critical shortages
12 of certified teachers.

13 (4) Provide informational sessions and experiential
14 programs relating to urban education to middle school and
15 high school students enrolled in urban public schools.

16 Section 4. Administration.

17 The department shall administer the program and shall adopt
18 such regulations, policies, procedures and forms as are
19 necessary and not inconsistent with this act.

20 Section 5. Appropriation.

21 The sum of \$2,000,000, or as much thereof as may be
22 necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education
23 for the fiscal year July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, to implement
24 the Urban Educators Recruitment Program.

25 Section 6. Effective date.

26 This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, or immediately,
27 whichever is sooner.