

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 9

Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY McCALL, MARCH 3, 2009

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 17, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 2, 1984 (P.L.561, No.112), entitled "An
2 act establishing the Pennsylvania Conservation Corps; and
3 making an appropriation," further providing for supervisors
4 AND FOR EXPIRATION.



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

7 Section 1. Section 8 of the act of July 2, 1984 (P.L.561,
8 No.112), known as the Pennsylvania Conservation Corps Act,
9 amended June 25, 1997 (P.L.339, No.38), is amended to read:

10 Section 8. Supervisors.

11 (a) Funding.--Funds available for this program may be
12 expended to pay the wages of crewleaders who shall supervise
13 corpsmembers as prescribed by the department.

14 (b) Crewleader criteria.--Persons eligible to be hired as
15 crewleaders by the department shall be men and women who are:

16 (1) Domiciled in the Commonwealth for at least six
17 months prior to employment in the programs.

18 (2) Registered with the local Job Center for employment.

19 (3) Physically and mentally capable of performing labor

1 intensive work and supervisory duties.

2 (4) Not attending a postsecondary institution full time  
3 and who provide assurance that they did not leave school for  
4 the purpose of employment as a supervisor in the program.

5 (c) Term of employment.--A crewleader shall be employed by  
6 the department for a period of one year. At the option of the  
7 department, a crewleader who has successfully completed a one-  
8 year term of service may be extended for subsequent one-year  
9 terms.

10 (d) Hourly wage.--Crewleaders shall receive an hourly wage  
11 that exceeds the hourly wage of corpsmembers by a minimum of  
12 \$5.00.

13 (e) Benefits.--

14 (1) Crewleaders shall not be entitled to any employee  
15 benefits provided to existing employees of the department or  
16 of other State agencies [or local agencies] except for paid  
17 Commonwealth holidays [and workmen's], workers' compensation  
18 coverage, health and supplemental benefits equivalent to the  
19 benefits received by other full-time departmental employees,  
20 and beginning July 1, 2008 2009, membership in the State ←  
21 Employees' Retirement System, which shall be provided through  
22 the funds appropriated to carry out this act.

23 (2) A crewleader who has served for one year shall be  
24 entitled to five paid vacation days and five days of paid  
25 sick leave during each subsequent year of service.

26 (f) Veterans' preference.--In the hiring of crewleaders,  
27 preference shall be given to honorably discharged veterans of  
28 the armed forces of the United States.

29 ~~Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, or~~ ←  
30 ~~immediately, whichever is later.~~



1 SECTION 2. SECTION 13.1 OF THE ACT, AMENDED JUNE 22, 2000  
2 (P.L.355, NO.42), IS AMENDED TO READ:

3 SECTION 13.1. EXPIRATION.

4 THIS ACT AND THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSERVATION CORPS SHALL EXPIRE  
5 JUNE 30, [2010] 2020.

6 SECTION 3. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE AS FOLLOWS:

7 (1) THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 8 OF THE ACT SHALL TAKE  
8 EFFECT JULY 1, 2009, OR IMMEDIATELY, WHICHEVER IS LATER.

9 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT  
10 IMMEDIATELY.