

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 592 Session of 2009

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, FEBRUARY 24, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for educational
3 leave of absence.

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

6 Section 1. Section 7313 of Title 51 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 7313. Educational leave of absence.

9 Whenever any member of the Pennsylvania National Guard or
10 other reserve component of the armed forces of the United States
11 shall be called or ordered to active duty, other than active
12 duty for training, including, in the case of members of the
13 Pennsylvania National Guard, active State duty, the educational
14 institution in which the member is enrolled shall grant the

1 member or their spouse a military leave of absence from their
2 education. [Persons] Members and spouses on military leave of
3 absence from their educational institution shall be entitled,
4 upon the member's release from military duty, to be restored to
5 the educational status they had attained prior to [their] the
6 member being ordered to military duty without loss of academic
7 credits earned, scholarships or grants awarded or tuition and
8 other fees paid prior to the commencement of the military duty.
9 It shall be the duty of the educational institution to refund
10 tuition or fees paid or to credit the tuition and fees to the
11 next semester or term after the termination of the educational
12 military leave of absence at the option of the student.

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