

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 437 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY FOLMER, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, BAKER, SCHWANK, WARD, WHITE, VOGEL, SCARNATI, TARTAGLIONE, BRUBAKER, BROWNE AND WILEY, FEBRUARY 6, 2013

SENATOR CORMAN, APPROPRIATIONS, RE-REPORTED AS AMENDED, JUNE 17, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in teacher certification, providing
6 for military science certificates.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
11 section to read:

12 Section 1207.2. Military Science Certificates.--(a)
13 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
14 Secretary of Education may issue a Pennsylvania military science
15 teaching certificate to a person who ~~meets the following:~~ <--

16 (1) possesses a valid military science certificate or
17 endorsement issued by a branch of the United States Armed Forces
18 authorizing the person to teach military science and the Junior
19 Reserve Officer Training Corps; and

1 ~~(2) satisfies the requirements~~ IS NOT DISQUALIFIED under <--
2 section 1209.

3 (b) A Pennsylvania military science certificate may be
4 issued to a person possessing the qualifications listed under
5 subsection (a)(1) and (2) without meeting additional education
6 and assessment requirements for issuance.

7 (c) A Pennsylvania military science certificate issued under
8 this section shall qualify a person to teach military science or
9 Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps in the public schools of
10 this Commonwealth.

11 ~~(d) Except as provided under this section, no area of~~ <--
12 ~~certification may be added to a Pennsylvania military science~~
13 ~~certificate through only testing unless the person holds a valid~~
14 ~~Pennsylvania instructional certificate endorsed in another~~
15 ~~subject area. EXCEPT FOR A MILITARY SCIENCE TEACHING~~ <--

16 CERTIFICATE, NOTHING UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO
17 MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PENNSYLVANIA
18 INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE ENDORSED IN ANOTHER SUBJECT AREA.

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