THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MARCH 17, 2017

AN ACT

- 1 Providing for family and medical leave for eligible employees.
- 2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 3 hereby enacts as follows:
- 4 Section 1. Short title.
- 5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Pennsylvania
- 6 Family and Medical Leave Act.
- 7 Section 2. Definitions.
- 8 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 9 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 10 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 11 "Department." The Department of Labor and Industry of the
- 12 Commonwealth.
- "Eligible employee." As defined in the FMLA.
- 14 "FMLA." The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (Public Law
- 15 103-3, 29 U.S.C. \S 2601 et seq.).
- 16 Section 3. Eligibility.
- 17 (a) General rule. -- An employer subject to this section shall

- 1 provide up to six weeks of the same leave to an eligible
- 2 employee to which the eligible employee is entitled under the
- 3 FMLA with respect to a spouse, son, daughter or parent, but only
- 4 for the eligible employee's sibling, grandparent or grandchild
- 5 provided the sibling, grandparent or grandchild has no living
- 6 spouse, child over 17 years of age or parent under 65 years of
- 7 age.
- 8 (b) Protections.--An eliqible employee who takes leave
- 9 provided under subsection (a) is entitled to the same
- 10 protections and rights that an eligible employee is entitled to
- 11 under the FMLA.
- 12 (c) Amount of leave. -- The amount of leave taken by an
- 13 eligible employee under this section shall not exceed six weeks
- 14 during a 12-month period.
- 15 (d) Applicability. -- This section applies to employers in
- 16 this Commonwealth that are subject to the FMLA.
- 17 Section 4. Effective date.
- 18 This act shall take effect immediately.