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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH, JULY 8, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in adoption opportunities, further
3 providing for definitions.

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

6 Section 1. The definition of "child" in section 2102 of
7 Title 67 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, added June
8 28, 2019 (P.L.93, No.14), is amended to read:

9 § 2102. Definitions.

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

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14 "Child." An individual who:

15 (1) is under the age of 18 years; or

16 (2) is under the age of 21 years [and attained 13 years
17 of age before the adoption assistance agreement became
18 effective] and is:

1 (i) completing secondary education or an equivalent
2 credential;

3 (ii) enrolled in an institution that provides
4 postsecondary or vocational education;

5 (iii) participating in a program actively designed
6 to promote or remove barriers to employment;

7 (iv) employed for at least 80 hours per month; or

8 (v) incapable of doing any of the activities
9 described in subparagraph (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) due to
10 a medical or behavioral health condition that is
11 supported by regularly updated information in the
12 permanency plan of the child.

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