

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1813 Session of 2021

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 20, 2022

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 pupils and attendance, providing
6 for military child advance enrollment.

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 1302.1. Military Child Advance Enrollment.--(a) A~~ <--
13 ~~child whose parent or guardian is an active duty member of the~~
14 ~~armed forces of the United States, including a reserve~~
15 ~~component, may establish residency for purposes of section 1302~~
16 ~~by providing to the school district a copy of the military order~~
17 ~~requiring the parent's or guardian's transfer to a military~~
18 ~~installation in the school district. A CHILD WHOSE PARENT OR~~ <--
19 ~~LEGAL GUARDIAN IS AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF~~

1 THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING A RESERVE COMPONENT, AND HAS  
2 RECEIVED OFFICIAL MILITARY ORDERS TO TRANSFER INTO OR WITHIN  
3 THIS COMMONWEALTH SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY FOR  
4 PURPOSES OF SECTION 1302 IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE  
5 CHILD WILL BE RESIDING, UPON PROVIDING A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL  
6 MILITARY ORDERS TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

7 (B) THE RECEIVING SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL ENROLL A CHILD WHO  
8 ESTABLISHES RESIDENCY UNDER SUBSECTION (A) AT LEAST ONE BUSINESS  
9 DAY BEFORE THE ARRIVAL DATE SPECIFIED IN THE MILITARY ORDER.

10 ~~(b)~~ (C) A child who establishes residency under subsection <--  
11 (a) must provide to the school district proof of residence in  
12 the district no later than ten (10) days after the arrival date  
13 specified in the military order.

14 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.