THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2052 Session of 2018

INTRODUCED BY REESE, BARBIN, BARRAR, BERNSTINE, V. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, CHARLTON, D. COSTA, DEASY, DOWLING, DRISCOLL, GILLEN, GODSHALL, GROVE, A. HARRIS, PHILLIPS-HILL, HILL-EVANS, JAMES, JOZWIAK, KINSEY, MURT, O'NEILL, ORTITAY, PASHINSKI, RAPP, READSHAW, ROTHMAN, ROZZI, RYAN, SACCONE, WARD, WARNER, WATSON AND ZIMMERMAN, FEBRUARY 2, 2018

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 2, 2018

AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
- act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- laws relating thereto," in professional employees, providing 5
- for military parent student support.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known 9
- 10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
- 11 section to read:
- 12 Section 1183. Military Parent Student Support. -- (a)
- 13 Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year and each school year
- 14 thereafter, each school district shall, at the beginning of the
- 15 school year, distribute to students and parents or quardians a
- 16 form to be filled out by the parent or quardian identifying the
- parent's or quardian's service branch and status. The submission 17
- of the form by each parent or quardian shall be voluntary. If a 18

- 1 form is submitted, the form shall be submitted to the parent's
- 2 <u>or quardian's school district of residence.</u>
- 3 (b) If a school district has been informed of an activation
- 4 of a parent or guardian for active duty military service, the
- 5 school district must provide the student and parent or quardian
- 6 with information and access to the following:
- 7 (1) School guidance counselors.
- 8 (2) Existing Federal and State military support services.
- 9 (3) Any other service, agency or resource necessary to
- 10 support or provide assistance to the student, parent or
- 11 <u>guardian</u>.
- 12 (c) The Department of Education shall coordinate with the
- 13 <u>Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to carry out this</u>
- 14 section.
- 15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.