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REFERRED TO COMMITEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, APRIL 23, 2013

AN ACT

- Amending the act of December 18, 2001 (P.L.949, No.114), 1 entitled, as amended, "An act establishing a unified 2 workforce investment system; restructuring certain 3 administrative functions, procedures and entities; transferring workforce development functions of Commonwealth agencies; establishing the Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Board; providing for critical job training grants, for 7 quarantees for program quality and performance for workforce 8 9 development programs, for workforce leadership grants and for industry partnerships; establishing the Keystone Works 10 Program; and authorizing local workforce investment boards," 11 in administration, further providing for membership and for 12 functions. 13 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. Section 302(a) of the act of December 18, 2001 17 (P.L.949, No.114), known as the Workforce Development Act, amended July 2, 2010 (P.L.247, No.41), is amended to read: 18 19 Section 302. Membership. 20 (a) General rule. -- The board shall be established as 21 follows: 22 The Governor or a designee.
- 23 (2) Four members of the General Assembly:

- 1 (i) Two senators, one appointed by the President pro 2 tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority 3 Leader of the Senate.
 - (ii) Two representatives, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
 - (3) Representatives appointed by the Governor who are:
 - (i) Representatives of business, including [private sector employers,] businesses engaged in manufacturing, technology, energy and infrastructure development; representatives from each of the Commonwealth's marketing regions[,]; owners of businesses[,]; chief executive officers[,]; other business executives with optimum policymaking or hiring authority[,]; members of local workforce investment boards; and businesses that reflect the employment opportunities in this Commonwealth, including large and small employers.
 - (ii) Chief elected officials nominated by Statewide organizations or associations representing elected officials.
 - (iii) Representatives of labor organizations who have been nominated by State labor federations.
 - (iv) Representatives of individuals and organizations experienced with respect to youth activities.
 - (v) Representatives of organizations which have experience and expertise in the delivery of workforce investment activities, including chief executive officers of community colleges, technical colleges and community-based organizations in this Commonwealth.

- 1 (v.1) The chair or a [cochair] <u>co-chair</u> of the 2 Health Careers Leadership Council of the Pennsylvania
- 3 Center for Health Careers.
- 4 (vi) Lead Commonwealth agency officials, including:
- 5 (A) The Secretary of Aging.
- 6 (B) The Secretary of Community and Economic 7 Development.
- 8 (C) The Secretary of Education.
- 9 (D) The Secretary of Labor and Industry.
- 10 (E) The Secretary of Public Welfare.
- 11 (F) The Director of the Governor's Policy
- 12 Office.
- 13 (vii) Any other representative or Commonwealth
 14 agency official the Governor deems necessary.
- 15 (4) A majority of the board under this subsection must 16 be representatives of business.
- 17 (5) The Governor shall solicit recommendations from
 18 State, regional and local business organizations in making
 19 appointments to the board.
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- 21 Section 2. Section 304(a)(19) of the act, amended December
- 22 16, 2002 (P.L.1930, No.224), is amended to read:
- 23 Section 304. Plan, functions and responsibilities.
- 24 (a) General rule. -- The board, in furtherance of section 102,
- 25 shall advise and assist the Governor on all of the following:
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- 27 (19) Compilation of an annual report which shall be
- 28 posted and archived electronically to the websites of local
- 29 workforce investment boards and submitted to [the General
- 30 Assembly,] the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of

- the House of Representatives by March 1 and which shall
 include all of the following:
 - (i) A detailed explanation of the performance measures used and how the performance measures were developed.
 - (ii) An explanation of the process used to achieve continuous improvement of workforce investment activities.
 - (iii) The anticipated course of actions to be taken by the board to encourage continuous improvement in the unified system.
 - (iv) A list of the membership of the board,
 including name, affiliation, address, telephone number,
 telefax number and electronic mail address.
 - (v) An explanation of the process used to negotiate levels of local performance.
 - (vi) A list of all certified local workforce investment boards in this Commonwealth, including each local workforce board's negotiated level of local performance, each local workforce board's level of performance attained and the action taken with respect to any local workforce investment board which failed to meet its negotiated level of local performance.
 - (vii) A copy of the annual report submitted by each local workforce investment board to the board.
- (viii) An accounting of Federal and State funds
 expended for workforce investment in the previous fiscal
 year by line item and program.
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30 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.