THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY LEWIS, KAUFFMAN, LEWIS DELROSSO, ROTHMAN, COX, MOUL, JAMES, ROWE, PENNYCUICK, KEEFER, RYAN, ECKER, JONES, BOROWICZ, HAMM, OWLETT, RAPP, STAATS, SMITH, DIAMOND, MILLARD, BROOKS, KERWIN, KAIL, MERCURI, ZIMMERMAN, HELM, SANKEY, PICKETT, E. NELSON, MALONEY, METCALFE, BERNSTINE, SAYLOR, HEFFLEY, KNOWLES, WARNER, MIHALEK, GROVE, GILLEN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, STRUZZI AND DAVANZO, MAY 5, 2021

SENATOR MARTIN, EDUCATION, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, OCTOBER 18, 2021

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 terms and courses of study, providing for online curriculum availability. 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a 10 11 section to read: 12 Section 1529. Online Curriculum Availability.--(a) For the 2022 2023 school year and each school year thereafter, a school
- 16 and course syllabus for each instructional course offered by the

entity shall post all curriculum, including academic

to be achieved, instructional materials,

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- 1 school entity on its publicly accessible Internet website and
- 2 <u>update the curriculum information each time new or revised</u>
- 3 curriculum is used by the school entity no later than thirty
- 4 (30) business days after the new or revised curriculum is
- 5 approved. The information provided by the school entity under
- 6 this section shall include an Internet link or title for every
- 7 textbook used by the school entity. BEGINNING WITH THE 2022-2023_<--
- 8 <u>SCHOOL YEAR AND EACH SCHOOL YEAR THEREAFTER, A SCHOOL ENTITY</u>
- 9 SHALL POST AN INTERNET LINK OR TITLE FOR EVERY TEXTBOOK USED BY
- 10 THE SCHOOL ENTITY, A COURSE SYLLABUS OR A WRITTEN SUMMARY OF
- 11 EACH INSTRUCTIONAL COURSE AND THE STATE ACADEMIC STANDARDS FOR
- 12 EACH INSTRUCTIONAL COURSE OFFERED BY THE SCHOOL ENTITY ON ITS
- 13 PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET WEBSITE. THE INFORMATION SHALL BE
- 14 UPDATED NO LATER THAN THIRTY (30) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER EACH TIME
- 15 THE LIST OF TEXTBOOKS, SYLLABI, COURSE DESCRIPTIONS OR STATE
- 16 ACADEMIC STANDARDS USED BY THE SCHOOL ENTITY IS REVISED.
- 17 (b) The chief school administrator or a designee shall be
- 18 responsible for implementing the requirements under subsection
- 19 (a).
- 20 <u>(C) IN NO CASE SHALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION BE</u>
- 21 CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL ENTITY TO VIOLATE THE COPYRIGHT,
- 22 TRADEMARK OR OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT OF THE CREATOR OR
- 23 OWNER OF THE CURRICULUM.
- 24 (c) (D) As used in this section, the following words and <--
- 25 phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection
- 26 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 27 "CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR." THE SUPERINTENDENT OF A SCHOOL <--
- 28 DISTRICT, ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR OF AN AREA CAREER AND
- 29 TECHNICAL SCHOOL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AN INTERMEDIATE UNIT OR
- 30 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF A CHARTER SCHOOL, CYBER CHARTER

- 1 SCHOOL OR REGIONAL CHARTER SCHOOL.
- 2 <u>"School entity." A school district, intermediate unit, area</u>
- 3 <u>career and technical school, charter school, cyber charter</u>
- 4 <u>school or regional charter school.</u>
- 5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.