THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY D. MILLER, ENGLISH AND ROZZI, MAY 27, 2016

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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 2 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial 3 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the 4 laws relating thereto," in professional employees, further 5 providing for transferred programs and classes. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 8 hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Section 1113 of the act of March 10, 1949 10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is 11 amended by adding subsections to read: 12 Section 1113. Transferred Programs and Classes. -- * * 13 (b.3) (1) The following shall apply to professional and 14 temporary professional employes of any school district in which the students assigned to a building or buildings have been 15 reassigned to another school district due to the closing of a 16 17 building or buildings: 18 (i) The district in which a building is closing shall create a pool comprised of the professional and temporary professional 19
- employes who have received formal notice of suspension as a 20

- 1 result of the closure.
- 2 (ii) Employes in the pool created under subclause (i) shall
- 3 be offered employment by any school district that receives
- 4 students reassigned to it due to the closing of a building or
- 5 <u>buildings</u> in the <u>sending</u> <u>school</u> <u>district</u> <u>whenever</u> the <u>receiving</u>
- 6 school district has a vacancy for a position that an employe in
- 7 the pool is certified to fill, provided that no employe of the
- 8 school district in which the vacancy exists, including a
- 9 suspended or demoted employe, has a right to such vacancy under
- 10 this act or the collective bargaining unit of that school
- 11 <u>district.</u>
- 12 (iii) No new employe shall be hired by a receiving school
- 13 <u>district under this subsection until the position has been</u>
- 14 <u>offered</u>, in order of seniority, to all properly certified
- 15 members of the pool created under subclause (i). Section 2110(b)
- 16 of this act shall not apply when there is a properly certified
- 17 member of the pool created under this subsection available for
- 18 appointment to the vacant position.
- 19 (2) Employes hired from the pool as provided under this
- 20 subsection shall be credited by the hiring school district for
- 21 all sick leave accumulated in the sending school district and
- 22 shall be credited for years of service in the sending school
- 23 district for purposes of salary scale placement, sabbatical
- 24 leave eligibility, suspension and realignment rights and
- 25 eligibility for any retirement incentives or severance payments
- 26 in the hiring school district.
- 27 (b.4) (1) The following shall apply to school district
- 28 employes other than professional and temporary professional
- 29 employes and administrators of any school district in which the
- 30 students assigned to a building or buildings have been

- 1 <u>reassigned to another school district due to the closing of a</u>
- 2 <u>building or buildings:</u>
- 3 (i) The district in which a building is closing shall create
- 4 <u>a pool comprised of the employes who have received formal notice</u>
- 5 of suspension as a result of the closure.
- 6 (ii) Employes in the pool created under subclause (i) shall
- 7 be offered employment by any school district that receives
- 8 <u>students reassigned to it due to the closing of a building or</u>
- 9 <u>buildings</u> in the sending school district whenever the receiving
- 10 school district has a vacancy for a position that an employe in
- 11 the pool is qualified to fill, provided that no employe of the
- 12 school district in which the vacancy exists, including a
- 13 <u>suspended or demoted employe</u>, has a right to such vacancy under
- 14 this act or the collective bargaining unit of that school
- 15 <u>district. A qualified employe is one who has held the same</u>
- 16 position in any other school district or who reasonably
- 17 demonstrates that the employe satisfies the minimum requirements
- 18 to perform the job.
- 19 (iii) No new employe shall be hired by a receiving district
- 20 under this subsection until the position has been offered, in
- 21 order of seniority, to all qualified members of the pool created
- 22 under subclause (i).
- 23 (2) Employes hired from the pool as provided under this
- 24 subsection shall be credited by the hiring school district for
- 25 <u>all leave accumulated in the sending school district and shall</u>
- 26 be credited for years of service in the receiving school
- 27 district for purposes of wages and eligibility for any
- 28 retirement incentives or severance payments in the hiring school
- 29 district.
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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.