
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 357 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY SCHWANK, HUGHES, FONTANA, KEARNEY, STREET,
COLLETT, SANTARSIERO, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, AUMENT, KANE AND
MUTH, MARCH 12, 2021

REFERRED TO LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MARCH 12, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," in public assistance,
4 providing for effect of postsecondary education and work
5 force training on subsidized child care.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. The act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known
9 as the Human Services Code, is amended by adding a section to
10 read:

11 Section 408.4. Effect of Postsecondary Education and Work
12 Force Training on Subsidized Child Care.--(a) Notwithstanding
13 any other provision of law or regulation and subject to the
14 availability of funding, if a parent or caretaker of a child
15 enrolled in subsidized child care is enrolled in a postsecondary
16 education program or work force training program, the parent or
17 caretaker shall be eligible for the assistance for at least two
18 years of the postsecondary education or work force training, so
19 long as all other eligibility requirements are satisfied during

1 the two-year period.

2 (b) In administering the assistance, priority may be given
3 to a working family over a family with a parent or caretaker who
4 is enrolled in a postsecondary education program or work force
5 training program.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.