

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 502 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY GUENST, HILL-EVANS, McNEILL, HANBIDGE, GIRAL, BURGOS, CERRATO, DELLOSO, SANCHEZ, MADDEN, HOWARD, N. NELSON AND CONKLIN, MARCH 17, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, MARCH 17, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
 2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
 4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
 5 laws relating thereto," in professional employees, providing
 6 for National Guard and Reserve parent student support.

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

9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
 10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
 11 section to read:

12 Section 1184. National Guard and Reserve Parent Student
 13 Support.--(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
 14 student who is a child of a member of the National Guard and
 15 Reserve shall be afforded the same rights as a student of an
 16 active duty military family under the act of February 2, 2012
 17 (P.L.42, No.6), known as the Interstate Compact on Educational
 18 Opportunity for Military Children Act, if a parent is required
 19 to move to perform the parent's responsibilities in the service

1 of the National Guard or Reserve, resulting in the student
2 having to transfer from a public school in one state to a public
3 school in another state.

4 (b) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
5 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless
6 the context clearly indicates otherwise:

7 "Public school." The term shall have the same meaning as the
8 term "public school entity" as defined in section 1183.

9 "Student." The child of a member of the National Guard or
10 Reserve for whom a public school receives public funding and who
11 is formally enrolled in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

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