THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY WEBSTER, GIRAL, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ AND BOYD, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

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 certification of teachers, further 5 providing for continuing professional development. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 8 hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Section 1205.1(c.2) of the act of March 10, 1949 10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended to read: 11 12 Section 1205.1. Continuing Professional Development. -- * * * 13 (c.2) (1) A professional education plan may include joint or cooperative professional education activities with another 14 15 school entity or an institution of higher education. (2) The department shall provide professional education 16 17 opportunities, resources and quidance for school entities to work collaboratively under this subsection. The professional 18 education opportunities under this paragraph shall address the 19

most frequent concerns from school employes across this

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- 1 Commonwealth that are submitted to the department and shall be
- 2 <u>updated annually by the department.</u>
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- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.