

## AFTP Bill Chart--Bills with Action

January-April 2017

gray shading=bills that have passed one chamber

Bill	Author	One-Liner	Description	Status
<a href="#">HB 14</a>	Knowles, Jerry	Amends Title 24 (Education) providing for the role of institutions of higher education in immigration enforcement, for restrictions on immigration policies for duties of the Department of Education.	Defines "sanctuary campuses." Prohibits sanctuary campuses. Applies to state-owned universities, state-related universities, private universities, and community colleges.	Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 60, East Wing, House State Government, 5/9/2017
<a href="#">HB 97</a>	Reese, Mike	Amends the Public School Code, providing for advertising, transfer of attendance records, agreements with institutions of higher education; for defs, responsibilities & enrollment agreements; & revising & adding charter school provisions.	House Republican Charter "Reform" bill.	Passed the House, 4/25/2017; Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Education
<a href="#">HB 110</a>	Warner, Ryan	Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in taxation and finance, providing for spending limitations on the Commonwealth.	Limits spending of the Commonwealth, exclusive of appropriations with federal funds. Allows the spending limit to be waived by a 3/4 vote of the General Assembly.	First Consideration in the House, 3/21/17; Set on House Tabled Calendar, 5/8/17

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<a href="#">HB 157</a>	Metcalf, Daryl	Amends Title 37 (Historical & Museums), in general provisions, further providing for defs., for powers & duties of PHMC, for personal property & for documents, for archival records, & for access to older public records, & for powers.	From House Fiscal Note: HB 157 amends the History Code by making changes to the administration of the State Archives, archival records and other public records managed by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC). The changes provided by the legislation are as follows: Removes PHMC annual report requirement on the operation of the Conservation Center; Removes PHMC notification requirements when disposing of non-beneficial property; Establishes procedures for the sale or disposal of abandoned property on loan to PHMC; Identifies that PHMC shall be the administrator for the State Archives and historically valuable public records of the Commonwealth transferred to PHMC; Authorizes PHMC to maintain archival records and other public records; Requires PHMC's internet site to include a public notice stating there will be public access to archival records 75 years or older beginning on January 1, 2017, unless specifically prohibited by law; Establishes procedures by which PHMC may retrieve Commonwealth and local archival records; and Removes certain properties from PHMC's charge that have been transferred or sold.	Passed the House, 2/8/17; Referred to Senate State Government Committee, 2/15/17
<a href="#">HB 178</a>	Day, Gary	Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for fire and emergency evacuation drills.	Requires public school entities to conduct at least one school security drill, defined as "a planned exercise, other than a fire drill or natural disaster drill, designed to practice procedures to respond to an emergency situation that may include, but is not limited to, an act of terrorism, armed intruder situation or other violent threat."	Passed the House, 3/13/17; Referred to Senate Education Committee, 3/20/17
<a href="#">HB 202</a>	Turzai, Mike	Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for Keystone Exams.	Expands list of assessments for meeting new highschool graduation proficiency requirement: "A NOCTI exam, NIMS assessment or other industry-based competency assessment identified by the Secretary of Education and approved by the State Board of Education."	Passed the House, 3/13/17; Second Consideration in the Senate, 4/18/2017; Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee.

Bill	Author	One-Liner	Description	Status
<a href="#">HB 218</a>	Saylor, Stanley	Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative & Judicial Departments, the public debt & the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.	Vehicle for 2017-18 General Appropriations Bill.	Passed the House, 4/4/2017; Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 4/6/2017.
<a href="#">HB 224</a>	Simmons, Justin	Amends the Public School Code, in school health services, providing for administration of epinephrine auto-injectors by school bus drivers and school crossing guards.	Makes current civil immunity provisions applicable to school bus drivers and crossing guards, as those provisions related to epinephrine auto-injectors.	Passed the House, 3/13/17; Set on Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017.
<a href="#">HB 250</a>	Turzai, Mike	Amends the Public School Code, in educational tax credits, further providing for limitations.	Increases aggregate limitations for EITC, a business tax credit for specific taxes paid by business firms. Increases are as follows: \$30 million increase for scholarship organizations; \$15 million increase for education improvement organizations; \$5 million increase for opportunity scholarship organizations.	Passed the House, 3/13/17; Referred to Senate Education Committee, 3/20/17
<a href="#">HB 398</a>	DiGirolamo, Gene	Amends the Administrative Code, in Commonwealth budget procedures, providing for essential service payments during budget impasse.	Enacts a process by which state appropriations for essential services can be made in the event that an Appropriations Bill is not enacted by July 1, of any year.	First Consideration in the House, 3/22/17; Set on House Tabled Calendar, 5/8/17
<a href="#">HB 399</a>	Emrick, Joe	Amends the Public School Code, in certification of teachers, further providing for evaluation of applications for certification.	Prohibits colleges/universities from withholding diplomas from students of teacher preparation programs who do not score proficient on state certification assessments.	Passed the House, 4/26/2017; Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Education
<a href="#">HB 410</a>	Warner, Ryan	Act providing for performance-based budgeting; establishing the Performance-Based Budget Board & providing for its powers & duties; conferring powers & imposing duties on the IFO; & providing for performance hearings & reviews	Creates a Performanced Based Budget Board, made up of the four chairs of the Appropriations committees and the Director of the Independent Fiscal Office. Enacts a procedure by which state agencies must report to new Board. Also requires legislative standing committees to conduct at least one performance hearing on all agencies assigned to that committee.	First Consideration in the House, 3/21/17; Set on House Tabled Calendar, 5/8/17

Bill	Author	One-Liner	Description	Status
<a href="#">HB 524</a>	Tallman, Will	Amends Act further providing for title & for legislative intent; providing for short title & for defs.; & further providing for list of seniors to be compiled, for optional compliance by nonpublic schools & for costs.	Amends current requirements for sharing of student information with military recruiters. Enacts the Military Access to Student Recruiting Information. Amends current requirements applying to high school seniors to also include juniors. Clarifies that the requirements do not apply to nonpublic schools which do not receive federal funds under NCLB. Further clarifies that the requirements do apply to non-public schools which received federal funds under NCLB only if the school does not have a religious objection to military service. Passed the House last session, but no action in the Senate	Meeting set for 12:00 p.m., Room 205, Ryan Office Building, House Education, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">HB 599</a>	Dunbar, George	Act establishing the Results First Project; and providing for data collection and analysis by the Independent Fiscal Office.	Requires the Independent Fiscal Office to enact the "Results First Project," defined as "a multidimensional data analyzing system." Further requires the IFO to consult with a nationally recognized organization which "specializes in and has expertise with the scientific basis of a cost-benefit analysis model."	First Consideration in the House, 3/13/17; Set on House Tabled Calendar, 5/8/17
<a href="#">HB 679</a>	Ortitay, Jason	Amends the Public School Code, providing for supplemental online course initiative; and establishing the Online Course Clearinghouse Restricted Account.	From the House Fiscal Note: Requires the PDE to establish a central online clearinghouse, including an online database of online courses for students enrolled in grades six through twelve. This clearinghouse must be accessible to school entities, nonpublic schools, home education programs, and the general public. "School entities" include school districts, joint school districts, charter schools, regional charter schools, cyber charter schools, intermediate units, and area vocational-technical schools. Additional requirements for the database are specified in the bill. Further provisions are set forth.	Meeting set for 12:00 p.m., Room 205, Ryan Office Building, House Education, 5/8/2017

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<a href="#">HB 857</a>	Zimmerman, David	Amends the Private Academic Schools Act, providing for defs., for State Board of Private Academic Schools, for powers & duties of board, application for license, license renewal, suspension of license and for promulgation of rules & regs.	Amends the Private Academic Schools Act with respect to "online schools." Adds definition for online schools and extends current requirements for private academic schools to "online schools." Clarifies that the current PDE oversight requirement is assigned to a specific office within the PDE, the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. Requires the state board of education to "promulgate rules and regulations and establish policies, principles and standards necessary to carry out the purposes of this act as they relate to online schools." Passed the House last session, but was never brought up for debate in the full Senate.	Meeting set for 12:00 p.m., Room 205, Ryan Office Building, House Education, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">HB 1022</a>	Roebuck, James	Amends the Public School Code, in transfers of credits between institutions of higher education, further providing for definitions, for duties of public institutions of higher education and for transfer and articulation oversight cmte.	From House Fiscal Note: This legislation requires public institutions of higher education to adopt and make public uniform standards for determining and awarding academic credit for prior learning. This includes college-level credit granted toward the award of a degree or certificate for learning that can be demonstrated, through various means of assessment, to be the equivalent of learning gained through formal collegiate instruction. The means of assessment include Advanced Placement Exams, International Baccalaureate Exams, College-Level Examination Program Exams, and Dantes Subject Standardized Tests.	Passed the House, 4/26/2017; Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Education
<a href="#">HB 1305</a>	Rapp, Kathy	Amends the Public School Code, in high schools, providing for professional development related to secondary transition services.	Requires training for professional educators "employed by a school entity who provides secondary transition services to students who are either in grades eight through twelve or are fourteen years of age or older." Requires the PDE to develop online training programs. Passed the House last session, with no action in the Senate.	Meeting set for 12:00 p.m., Room 205, Ryan Office Building, House Education, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">HR 50</a>	Harper, Kate	Resolution directing the Legislative Budget & Finance Committee to conduct a comprehensive review of the fiscal impact on Commonwealth agencies & local government agencies for implementation of the Right-to-Know Law & recommendations.	Report is due one year after adoption of the resolution.	Adopted by the House, 3/21/17

Bill	Author	One-Liner	Description	Status
<a href="#">SB 7</a>	Folmer, Mike	Amends Titles 24 (Education), 71 (State Government), & 72 (Taxation & Fiscal Affairs), in retirement for school employees, for actuarial cost method; for duties of board; for taxpayer protection; for Fund; & repealing provisions.	Enacts appropriations limit for state appropriations.	First Consideration in the Senate, 2/7/17; Laid on the Table, 4/24/2017
<a href="#">SB 88</a>	Greenleaf, Stewart	Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, providing for historical students, writings and records use in classrooms and censorship prohibited.	Provides for how historical documents, writings, and records are to be used in classrooms.	First consideration in the Senate, 4/19/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 93</a>	Greenleaf, Stewart	Amends the Public School Code, in duties and powers of boards of school directors, further providing for additional schools and departments.	Requires local school districts to grant enrollment in their district programs to home schooled and privately tutored students. Senator Brewster voted against the legislation.	First Consideration in the Senate, 4/19/2017; Laid on the table, 4/24/2017
<a href="#">SB 166</a>	Eichelberger, John	Act providing for protection of paychecks of certain workers and for the collection of political contributions.	Limits public employers' ability to collect union dues by payroll deduction to fair share fees.	Passed the Senate, 2/8/17; Referred to House State Government Committee, 2/13/17
<a href="#">SB 167</a>	Wagner, Scott	Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania prohibiting the Executive Department and school districts from making payroll collections of dues, fees and political contributions.	Amended in committee to prohibit payroll deduction for collection of "political" funds. Only applies to school districts and the Commonwealth.	Second Consideration in the Senate, 2/1/17; Laid on the Table, 4/19/2017
<a href="#">SB 168</a>	Stefano, Patrick	Act providing for notice and disclosure of proposed collective bargaining agreements and related documents and for open records.	Requires posting of tentative agreements before and after adoption by a public entity. Also states the following: Any documents that are presented by a public employer or received by a public employer from an employee organization in the course of collective bargaining.	Second Consideration in the Senate, 4/26/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 173</a>	Bartolotta, Camera	Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania in taxation and finance, providing for spending limitations.	Constitutional amendment to enact limits on state appropriations.	First Consideration in the Senate, 2/7/17; Laid on the Table, 4/24/2017
<a href="#">SB 178</a>	Scavello, Mario	Amends Title 37 (Historical & Museums) further providing for powers & duties of PHMC, for personal property & for documents, & providing for archival records & for access to older public records; & for powers over certain historic property.	Duplicate of HB 157.	Second Consideration in the Senate, 4/18/17; Referred to Senate Appropriations committee

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<a href="#">SB 181</a>	Mensch, Bob	Act providing for performance-based budgeting & tax credit efficiency review; est. the Performance-Based Budget Board & providing for its powers & duties; & conferring powers & imposing duties on the Independent Fiscal Office.	Requires performance based review of state appropriations and tax credits.	Passed the Senate, 2/6/17; Referred to House Appropriations Committee, 2/8/17
<a href="#">SB 227</a>	Eichelberger, John	Amends the Public School Code, in district superintendents & assistant superintendents, further providing for manner of election or approval and for term and salary of assistants.	Changes provisions as they related to school superintendent employment contracts and contract renewals.	Passed the Senate, 4/18/2017; Meeting set in House Education committee, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 229</a>	Eichelberger, John	Amends the Public School Code further providing for payment of salaries in cases of sickness, injury or death, repealing provisions, & further providing for Distinguished Educators Program.	Removes statutory provisions relating to sick, bereavement and sabbatical leave for educators.	First Consideration in the Senate, 1/31/17; Set on the Senate Calendar, 3/29/17
<a href="#">SB 241</a>	McGarrigle, Thomas	Amends the Equal Pay Law further providing for wage rates; and providing for preemption.	Prohibits employers from requiring employees to keep their wages secret as a condition of employment. Amended on the Senate floor to include a preemption for any local ordinances related to equal pay.	Passed the Senate, 2/8/17; Referred to House Labor and Industry Committee, 2/13/17
<a href="#">SB 273</a>	Rafferty, John	Act prohibiting the expenditure of Commonwealth funds on certain institutions of higher education that adopt certain practices relating to immigration policy.	Establishes the "Institutions of Higher Education Immigration Policy Act." Prohibits state appropriations to institutions of higher education which adopt "disqualifying immigration policies."	First Consideration in the Senate, 4/19/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 363</a>	Williams, Anthony	Amends the Public School Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for prohibition against employment assistance.	Adds language to the school code prohibiting school entities or others associated with school entities from "assist an employe, contractor or agent of a school entity to obtain new employment if the individual or entity knows or has a reasonable belief that the employe, contractor or agent engaged in abuse or sexual misconduct regarding a minor or student in violation of law."	First Consideration in the Senate, 3/29/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 383</a>	White, Donald	Amends the Public School Code, in duties and powers of boards of school directors, providing for protection and defense of pupils.	Authorizes school districts to establish policies permitting school personnel access to firearms on school grounds.	First Consideration in the Senate, 4/19/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017

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<a href="#">SB 406</a>	Rafferty, John	Amends the Public School Code of 1949, in school finances, providing for mileage rate increase.	Requires a two-thirds vote for any millage increase by a school board. Currently, boards can authorize increases by a simple majority.	First Consideration in the Senate, 3/29/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 494</a>	Stefano, Patrick	Amends the Public School Code, in collective bargaining, further providing for definitions and prohibiting full-time union leave.	Limits school districts' abilities to bargain release time for union leaders and staff.	First Consideration in the Senate, 3/29/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 503</a>	Aument, Ryan	Amends Title 65 (Public Officers), in open meetings, further providing for executive sessions.	Excludes collective bargaining negotiation sessions from the list of allowable reasons for a governmental entity to hold executive sessions. Also removes arbitration from allowable reasons.	Second Consideration in the Senate, 4/26/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 504</a>	Martin, Scott (F)	Amends the Right-to-Know Law, in procedure, further providing for exceptions for public records.	SB 504 amends the statute regarding open records (RTK). Currently, the RTK law exempts collective bargaining negotiations, arbitrations and grievances from open records requirements—except for the final agreement or final award. SB 504 clarifies that “negotiations, including offers of settlement and information exchanged between the parties in a collective bargaining procedure” are not exempt from the RTK law. For arbitrations and grievances, SB 504 clarifies that in the case of arbitration of a dispute or grievance, “negotiations, including offers of settlement and information exchanged between the parties in the arbitration of a dispute or grievance under a collective bargaining procedure” are not exempt from open records.	Second Consideration in the Senate, 4/26/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SB 592</a>	Stefano, Patrick	Amends the Public School Code, in duties & powers of boards of school directors, providing for posting of offers of employment for certain administrators; for posting of offers of employment for certain staff	Requires school boards and intermediate units to post offers of employment to certain administrators.	First Consideration in the Senate, 4/19/2017; Set on the Senate Calendar, 5/8/2017
<a href="#">SR 34</a>	Argall, David	Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study and issue a report relating to the long-term sustainability and viability of the PA State System of Higher Education	Senate Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study and issue a report relating to PASSHE's long-term sustainability and viability.	Adopted 4/18/2017