No. 2013-113

AN ACT

HB 1425

Providing for authorization of certain schools as institutions of postsecondary education.

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

Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Higher Education Eligibility Act.

Section 2. Recognition.

For purposes of establishing institutional eligibility under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (Public Law 89-329, 79 Stat. 1219), the schools enumerated in section 3 are recognized by name as educational institutions by the Commonwealth and authorized to operate as educational institutions in this Commonwealth if they satisfy the following conditions:

- (1) The school admits as regular students only those individuals who are eligible beyond the age of compulsory education or have a high school diploma or a diploma based on passing general educational development tests or an equivalent test.
- (2) The school is licensed or approved by name and authorized by a State licensing board, the Department of State or the State Board of Education, under State law to offer at least one training program beyond the secondary level.

Section 3. Schools.

The following schools are included under section 2:

- (1) A licensed barber school under the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), referred to as the Barbers' License Law.
- (2) A school of cosmetology as defined by section 1 of the act of May 3, 1933 (P.L.242, No.86), referred to as the Cosmetology Law.
- (3) A school which provides an approved program of professional nursing under the act of May 22, 1951 (P.L.317, No.69), known as The Professional Nursing Law.
- (4) A regionally accredited college or university approved under section 6(b)(2) and (3) of The Professional Nursing Law for education as a dietitian-nutritionist.
- (5) A school, hospital or other educational institution that provides a program in practical nursing prescribed and approved by the State Board of Nursing under the act of March 2, 1956 (1955 P.L.1211, No.376), known as the Practical Nurse Law.

Section 20. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 18th day of December, A.D. 2013