

SENATE BILL No. 1262

September 12, 2012, Introduced by Senators CASPERSON, GREEN, PAVLOV, WARREN and HANSEN and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes.

A bill to amend 1984 PA 22, entitled "Michigan civilian conservation corps act," by amending sections 5, 7, 8, and 9 (MCL 409.305, 409.307, 409.308, and 409.309), section 7 as amended by 1989 PA 50 and section 9 as amended by 1985 PA 30, and by adding section 6a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 5. (1) Work training programs conducted under this act
2 shall provide corpsmembers with work experience related to the
3 conservation, improvement, or development of natural, **CULTURAL, AND**
4 **RECREATIONAL** resources and the enhancement, preservation, and
5 maintenance of public lands, ~~and~~ waters, **AND HISTORIC AND**
6 **ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**. Work experience may include, but is not

1 limited to, all of the following:

2 (a) Planting, pruning, and cutting of trees.

3 (b) ~~Development~~ **RESTORATION OR DEVELOPMENT** of lakes, ponds,
4 and waterways to be used as hunting and fishing sites and for other
5 recreational purposes.

6 (c) Wildlife habitat development **OR ENHANCEMENT**.

7 (d) ~~Urban parks~~ **PARKS** and ~~recreational~~ **RECREATION** site
8 development **OR RESTORATION**.

9 (e) Trail development **OR RESTORATION**.

10 (f) Flood and drainage control programs, such as the cleaning
11 and repair of ~~ditches and streams~~ **WATERWAYS**.

12 (g) Prevention of shore and soil erosion.

13 ~~—— (h) Highway and community beautification.~~

14 **(H)** ~~(i)~~ Litter removal.

15 **(I)** ~~(j)~~ Assistance in fire prevention and suppression.

16 **(J) ASSISTANCE WITH CONDUCTING PRESCRIBED ECOLOGICAL FIRE**
17 **TREATMENTS**.

18 (k) Assistance in times and places of natural disasters.

19 (l) Reclamation of strip-mined land.

20 (m) Insect and pest control.

21 **(N) SURVEY, PROTECTION, MAINTENANCE, AND RESTORATION OF**
22 **HISTORIC STRUCTURES AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES**.

23 **(O) SURVEY AND ANALYSIS OF USAGE OF PARKS, RECREATION SITES,**
24 **AND TRAILS**.

25 **(P) OUTREACH AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS**.

26 (2) Work training programs shall be undertaken ~~in both urban~~
27 ~~and rural areas~~ **ON STATE-OWNED LANDS UNDER CONTROL OF THE**

1 ~~DEPARTMENT~~ and shall be selected on the basis of the ~~environmental~~
2 ~~and natural~~, **CULTURAL, OR RECREATIONAL** resource benefits each
3 offers, the opportunities for public use each offers, and the on
4 the job training value of each.

5 (3) Work experience shall not include work on any project for
6 removal or cleaning up of any toxic waste or other hazardous
7 substance.

8 **SEC. 6A. AN INDIVIDUAL IS ELIGIBLE TO BECOME A CORPSMEMBER IF**
9 **HE OR SHE MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

10 (A) IS A RESIDENT OF THE STATE.

11 (B) EXCEPT FOR SUPERVISORS, MENTORS, INSTRUCTORS, AND
12 TRAINERS, IS NOT LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE AND NOT MORE THAN 25
13 YEARS OF AGE ON THE DATE OF APPLICATION.

14 (C) IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CORPSMEMBER TO ENHANCE THE
15 LIKELIHOOD OF OBTAINING FUTURE EMPLOYMENT IN A NATURAL, CULTURAL,
16 OR RECREATIONAL RESOURCE RELATED CAREER OR TO ENHANCE EDUCATIONAL
17 OPPORTUNITIES IN A NATURAL, CULTURAL, OR RECREATIONAL RESOURCE
18 RELATED CURRICULUM.

19 Sec. 7. (1) The department shall not employ a corpsmember for
20 more than ~~1 year, except that not to exceed 25 of the supervisors~~
21 ~~may be employed for a total of not more than 18 months and a total~~
22 ~~of not more than 15 of the supervisors may be employed for a total~~
23 ~~of not more than 2 years.~~

24 (2) The department shall compensate a corpsmember ~~, other than~~
25 ~~a supervisor,~~ at **NOT MORE THAN TWICE** the minimum wage established
26 by law at the time of employment. ~~A corpsmember who is a supervisor~~
27 ~~shall be paid a temporary supervisory wage not to exceed \$6.50 per~~

1 ~~hour.~~

2 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY UTILIZE CORPS FUNDS FOR MENTORS,
3 INSTRUCTORS, TRAINERS, CREW LEADERS, AND OTHER STATE WORKERS
4 EMPLOYED TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND TRAINING TO CORPSMEMBERS.

5 Sec. 8. The department shall provide worker's disability
6 compensation insurance for corpsmembers employed by the department,
7 ~~and recipients shall provide worker's disability compensation~~
8 ~~insurance for corpsmembers whom they employ as provided under the~~
9 ~~worker's disability compensation act of 1969, Act No. 317 of the~~
10 ~~Public Acts of 1969, being sections 418.101 to 418.941 of the~~
11 ~~Michigan Compiled Laws.1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 TO 419.941.~~

12 Sec. 9. Corpsmembers **SHALL NOT RECEIVE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH**
13 **BENEFITS, EXCEPT THAT CORPSMEMBERS** who at the time of hire were
14 receiving general assistance or aid to families with dependent
15 children shall continue to receive, while they are corpsmembers,
16 the medical benefits provided under the social welfare act, ~~Act No.~~
17 ~~280 of the Public Acts of 1939, being sections 400.1 to 400.121 of~~
18 ~~the Michigan Compiled Laws.1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 TO 400.119B.~~

19 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
20 unless all of the following bills of the 96th Legislature are
21 enacted into law:

22 (a) Senate Bill No. 1261.

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24 (b) Senate Bill No. 1263.

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26 (c) Senate Bill No. 1264.

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1 (d) Senate Bill No. 1265.

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