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AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
- act relating to the public school system, including certain
- provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- laws relating thereto," making editorial changes.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Sections 502, 925(f), 923.2-A, 1328, 1338,
- 9 1372(3), 1376(a), 1377, 1377.1, 1378, 1379, 1414, 1502-E(b),
- 10 2108, 2501(11), 2509(b), $\frac{2510.1}{}$, 2517(e) and 2541(b)(3) of the <-
- 11 act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public
- 12 School Code of 1949, are amended to read:
- 13 Section 502. Additional Schools and Departments. -- In
- 14 addition to the elementary public schools, the board of school
- 15 directors in any school district may establish, equip, furnish,
- 16 and maintain the following additional schools or departments for
- 17 the education and recreation of persons residing in said
- 18 district, and for the proper operation of its schools, namely:--

- 1 High schools,
- 2 Trade schools,
- 3 Vocational schools,
- 4 Technical schools,
- 5 Cafeterias,
- 6 Agricultural schools,
- 7 Evening schools,
- 8 Kindergartens,
- 9 Libraries,
- 10 Museums,
- 11 Reading-rooms,
- 12 Gymnasiums,
- 13 Playgrounds,
- 14 Schools for [physically and mentally handicapped] children

- 15 with physical and OR mental disabilities,
- 16 Truant schools,
- 17 Parental schools,
- 18 Schools for adults,
- 19 Public lectures,
- 20 Such other schools or educational departments as the
- 21 directors, in their wisdom, may see proper to establish.
- 22 Said additional schools or departments, when established,
- 23 shall be an integral part of the public school system in such
- 24 school district and shall be so administered.
- No pupil shall be refused admission to the courses in these
- 26 additional schools or departments, by reason of the fact that
- 27 his elementary or academic education is being or has been
- 28 received in a school other than a public school.
- 29 Section 925. Powers and Duties.--
- 30 (f) (1) Any county board of school directors may make

- 1 contracts of insurance with any insurance company, or nonprofit
- 2 hospitalization corporation, or nonprofit medical service
- 3 corporation, authorized to transact business within the
- 4 Commonwealth, insuring its employes, their spouses and
- 5 dependents and retired employes under a policy or policies of
- 6 group insurance covering life, health, hospitalization medical
- 7 service, or accident insurance, and for such purposes may agree
- 8 to pay part or all of the premiums or charges for carrying such
- 9 contracts, and may include the cost of such charges in its
- 10 estimate of the cost of operating and administering classes or
- 11 schools for [handicapped and institutionalized] children with
- 12 physical and OR mental disabilities to be operated by the county <--
- 13 board during the ensuing school year. No contract or contracts
- 14 of insurance authorized by this section shall be purchased from
- 15 or through any person employed by the county board in a teaching
- 16 or administrative capacity.
- 17 (2) The county board of school directors is hereby
- 18 authorized to deduct from the employe's pay, salary, or
- 19 compensation, such part of the premium as is payable by the
- 20 employe and as may be so authorized by the employe in writing.
- 21 (3) All contracts procured hereunder shall conform and be
- 22 subject to all the provisions of any existing or future laws
- 23 concerning group insurance contracts.
- 24 Section 923.2-A. Visual Services.--(a) Legislative Finding;
- 25 Declaration of Policy. [Defects] Impairments in vision are
- 26 health-related. It is today recognized that the diagnosis and
- 27 evaluation of those [defects] <u>impairments</u> and the rendering of
- 28 instruction in skills appropriate for the education, safety and
- 29 independence of children afflicted by visual impairments are
- 30 closely related to their physical, mental and emotional health.

- 1 Such services can best be rendered upon the premises of the
- 2 school which the child regularly attends and forcing children to
- 3 go to other premises in order to have such needed services is
- 4 found by the General Assembly to be both inadequate and harmful.
- 5 The General Assembly expressly finds and declares diagnostic,
- 6 evaluative and instructional services for such children to be
- 7 health services and it is the intention of the General Assembly
- 8 now to make these available, on a general and even-handed basis
- 9 to all school children in the Commonwealth.
- 10 (b) Definitions. As used in this section:
- "Nonpublic school" means any nonprofit school, other than a
- 12 public school within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, wherein a
- 13 resident of the Commonwealth may legally fulfill the compulsory
- 14 school attendance requirements and which meets the requirements
- 15 of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352).
- 16 "Visual services" means diagnostic, evaluative and
- 17 instructional visual services for children.
- 18 (c) Provision of Services. The Secretary of Education,
- 19 directly or through the intermediate units out of their
- 20 allocation under section 922.1-A shall have the power and duty
- 21 to furnish free to nonpublic school students, upon the premises
- 22 of the nonpublic schools which they regularly attend, services
- 23 adequate for the diagnosis and evaluation of visual [defects]
- 24 impairments and instruction and training in skills advisable for
- 25 the education, independence and safety of such children,
- 26 including but not limited to mobility training, provided that
- 27 such services are also afforded to public school students by the
- 28 public school district in which such nonpublic school is
- 29 located.
- 30 Section 1328. Compulsory Education of CHILDREN WITH Physical <--

- 1 [Defectives] <u>Impairments</u>.--Every parent, guardian, or other
- 2 person, having control or charge of any child of compulsory
- 3 school age who is deaf or blind, [or is so crippled,] or whose
- 4 hearing or vision is so [defective] <u>impaired</u> as to make it
- 5 impracticable to have such child educated in the public schools
- 6 of the district in which he is a resident, shall allow such
- 7 child to be sent to some school where proper provision is made
- 8 for the education of the deaf, or of the blind, [or of crippled
- 9 children, or shall provide for the tuition of such child by a
- 10 legally certified private tutor.
- 11 Section 1338. Dependent Children.--In case any child of
- 12 compulsory school age cannot be kept in school in compliance
- 13 with the provisions of this act, on account of incorrigibility,
- 14 truancy, insubordination, or other [bad] inappropriate conduct,
- 15 or if the presence of any child attending school is detrimental
- 16 to the welfare of such school, on account of incorrigibility,
- 17 truancy, insubordination, or other [bad] inappropriate conduct,
- 18 the board of school directors may, by its superintendent,
- 19 secretary, attendance officer or State, municipal, port
- 20 authority, transit authority or housing authority police
- 21 officer, under such rules and regulations as the board may
- 22 adopt, proceed against said child before the juvenile court, or
- 23 otherwise, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law for
- 24 incorrigible, truant, insubordinate, or dependent children.
- 25 Section 1372. Exceptional Children; Education and
- 26 Training.--* * *
- 27 (3) Special Classes or Schools Established and Maintained by
- 28 School Districts. Except as herein otherwise provided, it shall
- 29 be the duty of the board of school directors of every school
- 30 district to provide and maintain, or to jointly provide and

- 1 maintain with neighboring districts, special classes or schools
- 2 in accordance with the approved plan. The Secretary of Education
- 3 shall superintend the organization of such special classes and
- 4 such other arrangements for special education and shall enforce
- 5 the provisions of this act relating thereto. If the approved
- 6 plan indicates that it is not feasible to form a special class
- 7 in any district or to provide such education for any such child
- 8 in the public schools of the district, the board of school
- 9 directors of the district shall secure such proper education and
- 10 training outside the public schools of the district or in
- 11 special institutions, or by providing for teaching the child in
- 12 his home, in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by
- 13 the Department of Education, on terms and conditions not
- 14 inconsistent with the terms of this act or of any other act then
- 15 in force applicable to such children. However, the institution
- 16 of special classes and programs at the secondary level for
- 17 exceptional children who are gifted and talented students may be
- 18 deferred until September 1978 at the discretion of the board of
- 19 the school directors of any school district.
- In addition to the above and in accordance with rules and
- 21 regulations prescribed by the Department of Education,
- 22 {homebound} instruction shall be provided for children confined <--
- 23 in detention homes as provided in section 7, act of June 2, 1933
- 24 (P.L.1433, No.311), as amended, at the detention home for the
- 25 period of their confinement, if their confinement exceeds or is
- 26 expected to exceed ten days, even though such children are not
- 27 exceptional.
- 28 * * *
- 29 Section 1376. Cost of Tuition and Maintenance of Certain
- 30 Exceptional Children in Approved Institutions. -- (a) When any

- 1 child between school entry age and twenty-one (21) years of age
- 2 and resident in this Commonwealth, who is blind or deaf, or has
- 3 cerebral palsy and/or neurological impairment and/or muscular
- 4 dystrophy and/or is [mentally retarded] developmentally
- 5 <u>INTELLECTUALLY disabled</u> and/or has a serious emotional <--

- 6 [disturbance] disability and/or has autism/pervasive
- 7 developmental disorder and is enrolled, with the approval of the
- 8 Department of Education, as a pupil in an approved private
- 9 school approved by the Department of Education, in accordance
- 10 with standards and regulations promulgated by the State Board of
- 11 Education, the school district in which such child is resident
- 12 or, for students placed by a charter school, the charter school
- 13 in which the student was enrolled shall pay the greater of
- 14 either twenty per centum (20%) of the actual audited cost of
- 15 tuition and maintenance of such child in such school, as
- 16 determined by the Department of Education, or its "tuition
- 17 charge per elementary pupil" or its "tuition charge per high
- 18 school pupil," as calculated pursuant to section 2561, and the
- 19 Commonwealth shall pay, out of funds appropriated to the
- 20 department for special education, the balance due for the costs
- 21 of such child's tuition and maintenance, as determined by the
- 22 department. For the school years 1989-1990, 1990-1991 and 1991-
- 23 1992, the school district payment shall be no greater than forty
- 24 percent (40%) of the actual audited costs of tuition and
- 25 maintenance of such child in such school. For the 1992-1993
- 26 school year through the 2003-2004 school year, the school
- 27 district or charter school payment shall be the greater of forty
- 28 percent (40%) of the actual audited costs of tuition and
- 29 maintenance of such child in such school, as determined by the
- 30 Department of Education, or its "tuition charge per elementary

- 1 pupil" or its "tuition charge per high school pupil," as
- 2 calculated pursuant to section 2561, and the Commonwealth shall
- 3 pay, out of funds appropriated to the department for approved
- 4 private schools, the balance due for the costs of such child's
- 5 tuition and maintenance, as determined by the department. For
- 6 the 2004-2005 school year and each school year thereafter, the
- 7 school district or charter school payment shall be the greater
- 8 of forty percent (40%) of the approved tuition rate as
- 9 established pursuant to subsection (c.3) or (c.5) or the school
- 10 district or charter school's "tuition charges per elementary
- 11 pupil" or "tuition charges per secondary pupil" as calculated
- 12 under section 2561, and the Commonwealth shall pay out of funds
- 13 appropriated to the department for approved private schools the
- 14 balance of the approved tuition rate due for the cost of such
- 15 child's tuition and maintenance. The department will credit the
- 16 district of residence with average daily membership for such
- 17 child consistent with the rules of procedure developed in
- 18 accordance with section 2501. If the residence of such child in
- 19 a particular school district cannot be determined, the
- 20 Commonwealth shall pay the whole cost of tuition and maintenance
- 21 of such child as established under subsection (c.3) or (c.5).
- 22 * * *
- 23 Section 1377. Payment of Cost of Tuition and Maintenance of
- 24 Certain Exceptional Children.--(a) To facilitate payments by
- 25 the several school districts to the schools or institutions in
- 26 which <u>children who are</u> deaf or blind, or cerebral palsied and/or
- 27 brain damaged and/or muscular dystrophied, or socially and
- 28 emotionally [disturbed] <u>disabled</u> or [mentally retarded children]
- 29 <u>developmentally INTELLECTUALLY disabled</u> are enrolled, of amounts <--
- 30 due by such districts for their proportion of the cost of

- 1 tuition and maintenance of such children, the Secretary of
- 2 Education shall withhold from any moneys due to such districts
- 3 out of any State appropriation for the assistance as
- 4 reimbursement of school districts, the amounts due by such
- 5 districts to such schools or institutions for the blind or the
- 6 deaf, or the cerebral palsied and/or brain damaged and/or
- 7 muscular dystrophied or the socially and emotionally [disturbed]
- 8 <u>disabled</u> and/or [mentally retarded] <u>developmentally</u>
- 9 <u>INTELLECTUALLY disabled</u>. Amounts so withheld shall be <--

- 10 specifically appropriated to the Department of Education.
- 11 (b) Payments of the Commonwealth's proportion of the cost of
- 12 tuition and maintenance of pupils who are blind or deaf, or
- 13 cerebral palsied and/or brain damaged and/or muscular
- 14 dystrophied, or socially and emotionally [disturbed] disabled
- 15 and/or [mentally retarded pupils] developmentally INTELLECTUALLY <--
- 16 <u>disabled and are</u> enrolled in schools or institutions for the
- 17 blind or for the deaf, or for the cerebral palsied and/or brain
- 18 damaged and/or muscular dystrophied, or for the socially and
- 19 emotionally [disturbed] <u>disabled</u> and of the cost of instruction
- 20 of parents of blind pupils less than school entry age, as
- 21 hereinbefore provided, shall be made quarterly, out of moneys
- 22 appropriated to the Department of Education for special
- 23 education. Except for the provisions of section 1376.1 providing
- 24 for the actual cost of tuition and maintenance of certain
- 25 exceptional children in the four chartered schools for education
- 26 of the deaf and of the blind, in no event shall the total
- 27 payment for the cost of tuition and maintenance of any such
- 28 child exceed the rates per year allowed under section 1376. The
- 29 maximum amount payable for the cost of tuition and maintenance
- 30 of such children shall be subject to review at least once every

- 1 two years for the purpose of recommending an adjustment thereof.
- 2 (c) For the purpose of enabling the Department of Education
- 3 to determine from time to time what amounts are due to schools
- 4 for the blind or for the deaf or for the cerebral palsied and/or
- 5 brain damaged and/or muscular dystrophied or for the socially
- 6 and emotionally [disturbed] <u>disabled</u> and/or [mentally retarded]
- 7 <u>developmentally INTELLECTUALLY disabled</u> hereunder, such schools <--
- 8 shall forward to the department, at such times and in such form
- 9 as the department shall prescribe, sworn statements setting
- 10 forth the names, ages, and residences of all pupils enrolled
- 11 hereunder, specifying the school districts liable for a part of
- 12 the cost of tuition and maintenance of any such pupils, the per
- 13 capita cost of and maintenance of pupils, and such other
- 14 information as the department shall require.
- 15 For the purpose of providing adequate administration of the
- 16 program and to carry out the preaudit functions authorized in
- 17 section 1376(a), one-half of one percent (.50%) of the total
- 18 appropriations for approved private schools from all funds shall
- 19 be allocated to the Department of Education.
- 20 (d) When, during the course of the 1982-1983 school year,
- 21 programs for exceptional children are caused to be transferred
- 22 from schools or institutions for the blind or deaf, or cerebral
- 23 palsied or brain damaged or muscular dystrophied or [mentally
- 24 retarded] developmentally INTELLECTUALLY disabled, or socially
- 25 and emotionally [disturbed] <u>disabled</u>, as provided for in
- 26 sections 1376 and 1376.1, to school districts or intermediate
- 27 units, as provided for in sections 2509 and 2509.1, under
- 28 unanticipated or emergency circumstances, and when such
- 29 transfers necessitate the transfer of funds from the
- 30 appropriation to the Department of Education for special

- 1 education for approved private schools to the appropriation to
- 2 the Department of Education for payments on account of special
- 3 education of exceptional children in public schools, the
- 4 Secretary of Education shall be empowered so to transfer such
- 5 funds, upon approval of the Secretary of the Budget and written
- 6 notification to the State Treasurer and the chairmen of the
- 7 House and Senate Appropriations and Education Committees.
- 8 Section 1377.1. Transfer of Funds for Transferal Programs.--
- 9 When, during the course of a school year or after the end of a
- 10 school year, programs for exceptional children are caused to be
- 11 transferred from schools or institutions for the blind or deaf,
- 12 or cerebral palsied or brain damaged or muscular dystrophied or
- 13 [mentally retarded] developmentally INTELLECTUALLY disabled, or <--
- 14 socially and emotionally [disturbed] disabled, as provided for
- 15 in sections 1376 and 1376.1, to school districts or intermediate
- 16 units, as provided for in sections 2509 and 2509.1, and when
- 17 such transfers necessitate the transfer of funds from the
- 18 appropriation to the Department of Education for special
- 19 education for approved private schools to the appropriation to
- 20 the Department of Education for payments on account of special
- 21 education of exceptional children in public schools, the
- 22 Secretary of Education shall be empowered to transfer such
- 23 funds, upon approval of the Secretary of the Budget and written
- 24 notification to the State Treasurer and the chairmen of the
- 25 House and Senate Appropriations and Education Committees.
- 26 Section 1378. Medical Care for Children Under Six with
- 27 [Defective] <u>Impaired</u> Hearing.--Whenever the county medical
- 28 director of the Department of Health reports to the medical
- 29 examiner of any school district a case of a minor under six (6)
- 30 years of age, who is totally deaf or whose hearing is impaired,

- 1 who is not receiving adequate care and treatment, and whose
- 2 parent or guardian is financially unable to provide the same,
- 3 such medical examiner shall provide such care and treatment at
- 4 the expense of the school district or of the Commonwealth, as
- 5 the case may be, charged by law with the providing of medical
- 6 examinations for the schools of the school district. Such care
- 7 and treatment may be administered by the medical examiner or by
- 8 some doctor of medicine selected by him.
- 9 Section 1379. Children Under Six with [Defective] <u>Impaired</u>
- 10 Hearing; Parent or Guardian Advised of Schools, etc.--Whenever
- 11 notified by the Department of Health of the case of a minor
- 12 under six (6) years of age, who is totally deaf or whose hearing
- 13 is impaired, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, when in
- 14 his judgment the same is deemed desirable, shall communicate to
- 15 the parent or quardian the location of any special schools, and
- 16 also the nearest public school having special classes for the
- 17 instruction of the hard of hearing, with the information
- 18 concerning the advantages offered by such school or classes, the
- 19 benefits to accrue to the child from attending such school or
- 20 classes, and the manner in which the expenses of such
- 21 instruction will be provided for.
- 22 Section 1414. Care and Treatment of Pupils. -- Any school
- 23 district or joint school board may provide for the care and
- 24 treatment of [defective] impaired eyes, ears and teeth of all
- 25 children of school age within the district.
- 26 Section 1502-E. Character education program.
- 27 * * *
- 28 (b) Curriculum contents. -- The program may include and teach
- 29 the following basic civil values and character traits:
- 30 (1) Trustworthiness, including honesty, integrity,

- 1 reliability and loyalty.
- 2 (2) Respect, including regard for others, tolerance and courtesy.
- 4 (3) Responsibility, including hard work, economic self-5 reliance, accountability, diligence, perseverance and self-
- 6 control.
- 7 (4) Fairness, including justice, consequences of [bad] 8 <u>inappropriate</u> behavior, principles of nondiscrimination and
- 9 freedom from prejudice.
- 10 (5) Caring, including kindness, empathy, compassion,
 11 consideration, generosity and charity.
- 12 (6) Citizenship, including love of country, concern for
- 13 the common good, respect for authority and the law and
- 14 community mindedness.
- 15 * * *
- 16 Section 2108. Qualifications of Principals and Teachers.--
- 17 The board of public education in each school district of the
- 18 first class shall prescribe the mode or modes of determining the
- 19 qualifications of applicants for positions as principals or
- 20 teachers in the schools of the district, and shall designate the
- 21 kinds or grades of teachers' certificates which may or shall be
- 22 used in the district, together with the scholastic,
- 23 professional, and personal qualifications required for each kind
- 24 or grade of certificate.
- No certificate shall be granted to any person who is not of
- 26 good moral character, or to any person who shall not first have
- 27 presented a certificate, from a physician recognized by the
- 28 board of public education as competent for the purpose, setting
- 29 forth that said applicant is neither mentally nor physically
- 30 disqualified by reason of tuberculosis, or any other chronic or

- 1 acute physical [defect] impairment, from successfully performing
- 2 the duties of a teacher.
- 3 Section 2501. Definitions.--For the purposes of this article
- 4 the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- 5 * * *
- 6 (11) "Actual Instruction Expense Per Elementary Teaching
- 7 Unit, Actual Instruction Expense Per Elementary Teaching Unit in
- 8 a Laboratory School of a State-owned College, Actual Instruction
- 9 Expense Per Secondary Teaching Unit, Actual Instruction Expense
- 10 Per Secondary Teaching Unit in a Laboratory School of a State-
- 11 owned College, Actual Instruction Expense Per Joint Elementary
- 12 Teaching Unit, Actual Instruction Expense Per Joint Secondary
- 13 Teaching Unit, Actual Instruction Expense Per Area Technical
- 14 School Teaching Unit." In 1958 in the month of September and
- 15 thereafter annually in the month of September, the Department of
- 16 Public Instruction shall calculate for each school district for
- 17 the immediately preceding school year the actual instruction
- 18 expense per elementary teaching unit for elementary pupils
- 19 educated in the district's public schools, the actual
- 20 instruction expense per secondary teaching unit for secondary
- 21 pupils educated in the district's public schools, the actual
- 22 instruction expense per joint elementary teaching unit for
- 23 elementary pupils educated in elementary schools of jointures of
- 24 which the district is a member, the actual instruction expense
- 25 per joint secondary teaching unit for secondary pupils educated
- 26 in secondary schools of jointures of which the district is a
- 27 member, the actual instruction expense per area technical school
- 28 teaching unit for pupils educated in area technical schools in
- 29 which the district participates, the actual instruction expense
- 30 per elementary teaching unit for elementary pupils residing in

- 1 the district and educated in the public schools of other
- 2 districts within the Commonwealth, and the actual instruction
- 3 expense per secondary teaching unit for secondary pupils
- 4 residing in the district and educated in the public schools of
- 5 other districts within the Commonwealth. In each case, actual
- 6 instruction expense per teaching unit shall be the sum of (i)
- 7 and (ii) below but in no case shall include expenses for debt
- 8 service, capital outlay, rentals of capital facilities and
- 9 equipment, salaries and expenses for school nurses, for medical
- 10 and dental services, for driver education courses, for
- 11 reimbursable transportation of pupils, for tuition paid to other
- 12 school districts, for reimbursable board and lodging in lieu of
- 13 transportation, for salaries of directors and supervisors of
- 14 special education, public school psychologists, principals of
- 15 special schools and assistants, teachers of approved special
- 16 classes for [physically and mentally handicapped] children with

- 17 physical and OR mental disabilities, clerks and assistants
- 18 employed in programs for special education, for school district
- 19 contributions to the retirement fund on behalf of directors and
- 20 supervisors of special education, public school psychologists,
- 21 principals of special schools and assistants, teachers of
- 22 approved special classes for [physically and mentally
- 23 handicapped] children with physical and OR mental disabilities, <-
- 24 clerks and assistants employed in programs for special
- 25 education, for the cost of textbooks and supplies of the second
- 26 class used in special education classes or schools, for
- 27 extension schools and classes, for extension recreation
- 28 activities, for vocational extension education, or for
- 29 instruction of {homebound} children who are taught at home. (i) <--
- 30 Expenses of general control per teaching unit. Expenses of

- 1 general control shall include: salaries, supplies and other
- 2 expenses of the secretary's office; commission or salary of
- 3 treasurer, tax collector, auditors and legal service; expenses
- 4 of census enumeration and other expenses of business
- 5 administration; salaries of the superintendent of schools and
- 6 clerks of the superintendent of schools; expenses of supplies
- 7 and other expenses of the superintendent of schools' office; and
- 8 other expenses of general control. In the case of computation of
- 9 actual instruction expense per elementary teaching unit for
- 10 district pupils educated in the schools of the district and for
- 11 district pupils educated in the public schools of other
- 12 districts within the Commonwealth and actual instruction expense
- 13 per secondary teaching unit for district pupils educated in the
- 14 schools of the district and for district pupils educated in the
- 15 public schools of other districts within the Commonwealth,
- 16 expenses of general control per teaching unit shall be
- 17 calculated by dividing the foregoing listed expenses of general
- 18 control of the school district by the number of teaching units
- 19 based on the number of all pupils who are residents of the
- 20 school district and are in average daily membership in the
- 21 public schools of the Commonwealth. In the case of computation
- 22 of actual instruction expense per joint elementary teaching unit
- 23 and actual instruction expense per joint secondary teaching
- 24 unit, expenses of general control per teaching unit shall be
- 25 calculated by dividing the foregoing listed expenses of general
- 26 control of the school district by the number of teaching units
- 27 based on the number of all pupils who are residents of the
- 28 school district and are in average daily membership in the
- 29 public schools of the Commonwealth, and adding thereto the
- 30 quotient obtained by dividing the foregoing listed expenses of

- 1 general control of the joint school district by the number of
- 2 joint teaching units based on the number of pupils who are
- 3 residents of school districts that are members of the joint
- 4 school district and are in average daily membership in the
- 5 schools of the joint school district. In the case of computation
- 6 of actual instruction expense per area technical school teaching
- 7 unit, expenses of general control per teaching unit shall be
- 8 computed by dividing the foregoing listed expenses of general
- 9 control of the school district by the number of teaching units
- 10 based on the total number of all pupils who are residents of the
- 11 school district and are in average daily membership in the
- 12 public schools of the Commonwealth, and adding thereto the
- 13 quotient obtained by dividing the foregoing listed expenses of
- 14 general control of the area technical school by the number of
- 15 area technical school teaching units based on the number of
- 16 pupils who are residents of districts participating in the area
- 17 technical school and are in average daily membership in the area
- 18 technical school. (ii) Expenses of the school district, joint
- 19 school district, area technical school, or such other school
- 20 district within the Commonwealth in which the districts' pupils
- 21 are educated, as the case may be, on account of instruction,
- 22 auxiliary agencies and coordinate activities, operation of
- 23 school plant, maintenance of school plant, and fixed charges,
- 24 and each separately for elementary and for secondary schools,
- 25 per teaching unit, calculated by dividing the sums of (a), (b),
- 26 (c), (d), and (e) below by the numbers of elementary, secondary,
- 27 joint elementary, joint secondary, and area technical school
- 28 teaching units, respectively, based on the number of all pupils
- 29 on an equivalent full-time basis in average daily membership in
- 30 the public schools of the district, or joint district, or the

- 1 area technical school, or other school district within the
- 2 Commonwealth in which pupils of the district are educated, as
- 3 the case may be; (a) expenses of instruction, to include
- 4 salaries of supervisors and other expenses of supervisors,
- 5 salaries of principals and principals' clerks, supplies of the
- 6 principals' offices, other expenses of supervision, teachers'
- 7 and teacher-librarians, salaries, textbooks, library books,
- 8 supplies used in instruction including library supplies,
- 9 expenses of attending teachers' institutes, commencement
- 10 exercise and exhibit expenses, and other expenses of
- 11 instruction, (b) expenses of auxiliary agencies and coordinate
- 12 activities, to include salaries, books, repairs, replacements,
- 13 and other expenses of public libraries, and non-reimbursable
- 14 transportation and board and lodging in lieu of transportation,
- 15 and provisions for tubercular and undernourished children,
- 16 community lectures, social centers and recreation, enforcement
- 17 of attendance, and other expenses of auxiliary agencies and
- 18 coordinate activities, (c) expenses of operation of school
- 19 plant, to include wages of janitors and other employes, fuel,
- 20 water, light, power, janitors' supplies, care of grounds,
- 21 services other than personal, telephone rental, and other
- 22 expenses of operation, (d) expenses of maintenance of school
- 23 plant, to include upkeep of grounds, repair of buildings,
- 24 repairs and replacements, heating, plumbing, lighting, apparatus
- 25 used in instruction, furniture, and other equipment, (e)
- 26 expenses of fixed charges, to include payments made to the
- 27 retirement board, rent, all insurance, and other fixed charges:
- 28 Provided, That the actual instruction expense for elementary
- 29 teaching unit for district pupils educated in the elementary
- 30 grades of a laboratory school of a State-owned college and the

- 1 actual instruction expenses for secondary teaching unit for
- 2 district pupils educated in the high school grades of a
- 3 laboratory school of a State-owned college shall be computed by
- 4 (i) dividing the total amount of money paid to the State-owned
- 5 college by the resident district for the education of all
- 6 resident elementary children enrolled in a laboratory school of
- 7 a State-owned college by the number of such elementary teaching
- 8 units based on the total number of such resident children in
- 9 average daily membership in the laboratory school, (ii) dividing
- 10 the total amount of money paid to the State-owned college by the
- 11 resident district for the education of all resident secondary
- 12 children enrolled in a laboratory school of a State-owned
- 13 college by the number of such secondary teaching units based on
- 14 the total number of such resident children in average daily
- 15 membership in the laboratory school. The teaching units are
- 16 computed on the basis of thirty (30) equivalent full time
- 17 elementary children and twenty-two (22) equivalent full time
- 18 secondary children.
- 19 * * *
- 20 Section 2509. Payments on Account of Courses for Exceptional
- 21 Children.--* * *
- 22 (b) To find the "instruction cost per special class pupil,"
- 23 add (1) salaries of directors and supervisors of special
- 24 education, public school psychologists, principals of special
- 25 schools and assistants, teachers of approved special classes for
- 26 exceptional children, clerks and assistants employed in the
- 27 district's program for special education, (2) the district's
- 28 contribution to the retirement fund on behalf of directors and
- 29 supervisors of special education, public school psychologists,
- 30 principals of special schools and assistants, teachers of

- 1 approved special classes for exceptional children, clerks and
- 2 assistants employed in the district's program for special
- 3 education, (3) the cost of textbooks and supplies of the second
- 4 class used in the district's special education classes or
- 5 schools, (4) the cost of telephonic system equipment which
- 6 enables [handicapped] children with physical and OR mental_
- 7 <u>disabilities</u> to remain in their homes and still participate in

- 8 classroom activities. Divide the sum of (1), (2), (3), and (4)
- 9 on that part thereof which is approved by the Department of
- 10 Education for reimbursement by the total number of pupils,
- 11 including those pupils who have available for use telephonic
- 12 system equipment whereby they may remain at home and still
- 13 participate in classroom activities, in average daily membership
- 14 in the district's approved special classes for exceptional
- 15 children. The quotient so obtained shall be the "instruction
- 16 cost per special class pupil."
- 17 * * *
- 18 Section 2510.1. Payments on Account of [Homebound] Children <--
- 19 Who Are Taught at Home. Every school district, regardless of
- 20 classification, shall be paid by the Commonwealth for the school
- 21 year 1966-1967, and for each school year thereafter, on account-
- 22 of the instruction of [homebound] children who are taught at
- 23 home, an amount determined by multiplying the mandated minimum
- 24 hourly rate for instructing [homebound] children who are taught_
- 25 <u>at home</u> by the district's aid ratio. Payments made to school
- 26 districts for the instruction of [homebound] children who are
- 27 <u>taught at home</u> shall only be made to the extent funds are
- 28 appropriated for this purpose.
- 29 Section 2517. Payments. -- * * *
- 30 (e) The Secretary of Education, with the approval of the

- 1 Governor, may make basic education funding allocation payments
- 2 to school districts, in advance of the dates set forth in this
- 3 section to school districts which are financially [handicapped]
- 4 <u>burdened</u>, when the secretary deems it necessary to enable the
- 5 school district to keep their public schools open.
- 6 Section 2541. Payments on Account of Pupil Transportation.--
- 7 * * *
- 8 (b) Such payments for pupil transportation shall be made in
- 9 the following cases:
- 10 * * *
- 11 (3) To all school districts, for the transportation of
- 12 [physically or mentally handicapped] children with physical and <--
- 13 OR mental disabilities regularly enrolled in special classes <--
- 14 approved by the Department of Education or enrolled in a regular
- 15 class in which approved educational provisions are made for
- 16 them.
- 17 * * *
- 18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.