

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AND ABRAHAM, FEBRUARY 3, 1975

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 3, 1975

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1132, No.484), entitled
2 "An act providing for the creation, establishment and
3 operation of community colleges, granting certain powers to
4 the State Board of Education, the Council of Higher Education
5 and the Department of Public Instruction; authorizing school
6 districts, county boards of school directors and
7 municipalities to sponsor community colleges; authorizing
8 school districts and municipalities to levy certain taxes;
9 providing for reimbursements by the Commonwealth of certain
10 costs and expenses, and making an appropriation," further
11 providing for sponsor's financial plan and State payments as
12 to operating expenses.

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

15 Section 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14, act of
16 August 14, 1963 (P.L.1132, No.484), known as the "Community
17 College Act of 1963," subsection (a) amended March 27, 1972
18 (P.L.148, No.55) and subsection (b) amended July 18, 1974
19 (No.173), are amended to read:

20 Section 14. Financial Program; Reimbursement or Payments.--

21 (a) The plan submitted by the local sponsor shall set forth a
22 financial program for the operation of the community college.

1 The plan shall provide that at least two-thirds of the annual
2 operating costs when such operating costs do not exceed one
3 thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per student and up to one-
4 half of the annual capital expenses shall be appropriated or
5 provided by the local sponsor to the community college and such
6 allocation may in part be represented by real or personal
7 property or services made available to the community college.
8 The plan shall indicate whether the appropriation shall come
9 from general revenues, loan funds, special tax levies or from
10 other sources, including student tuitions.

11 (b) The Commonwealth shall pay to a community college on
12 behalf of the sponsor on account of its operating costs during
13 [the fiscal] an academic year from funds appropriated for that
14 purpose an amount equal to one-third of such college's approved
15 operating costs [not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars
16 (\$1,500)] when such operating costs do not exceed one thousand
17 two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per student multiplied by the
18 number of equivalent full-time students determined by an audit
19 to be made in a manner prescribed by the State Board of
20 Education. In addition the Commonwealth shall pay to a community
21 college on account of its operating costs [for all equivalent
22 full-time students enrolled in two-year or less than two-year
23 terminal non-liberal arts programs, a sum of one hundred and
24 fifty dollars (\$150) for each such equivalent full-time student.
25 The Secretary of Education shall have the power and his duty
26 shall be to designate the programs of study which conform to the
27 intent of this act] during a summer term from funds appropriated
28 for that purpose an amount equal to one-third of such college's
29 approved operating costs when such operating costs do no exceed
30 six hundred dollars (\$600) per student multiplied of equivalent

1 full-time students. In addition, the Commonwealth shall pay to a
2 community college on account of its operating costs, when such
3 operating costs exceed one thousand two hundred dollars
4 (\$1,200), or exceed for a summer term six hundred dollars
5 (\$600), a sum equal to one hundred per cent (100%) of the cost
6 above one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200), or above six
7 hundred dollars (\$600) for a summer term. Each community college
8 shall maintain such accounting and student attendance records on
9 generally accepted principles and standards as will lend
10 themselves to satisfactory audit. The Commonwealth shall pay to
11 a community college on behalf of the sponsor on account of its
12 capital expenses an amount equal to one-half of such college's
13 annual capital expenses from funds appropriated for that purpose
14 to the extent that said capital expenses have been approved as
15 herein provided.

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17 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall
18 apply to academic years beginning after the effective date of
19 this act.