THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1551

Session of 1985

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MORRIS, JUNE 27, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JUNE 27, 1985

AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain
- 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- 5 laws relating thereto, providing for the cost of tuition and
- 6 maintenance for socially and emotionally disturbed persons.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. Section 1376(b) of the act of March 10, 1949
- 10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
- 11 amended December 20, 1983 (P.L.267, No.73), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 1376. Cost of Tuition and Maintenance of Certain
- 13 Exceptional Children in Approved Institutions. -- * * *
- 14 (b) When any person less than six (6) or more than twenty-
- 15 one (21) years of age and resident in this Commonwealth, who is
- 16 blind or deaf, or afflicted with cerebral palsy and/or brain
- 17 damage and/or muscular dystrophy and/or socially and emotionally

- 1 <u>disturbed</u>, is enrolled, with the approval of the Department of
- 2 Education, as a pupil in an approved school for the blind or
- 3 deaf, or cerebral palsied and/or brain damaged and/or muscular
- 4 dystrophied and/or socially and emotionally disturbed, approved
- 5 by the Department of Education, the Commonwealth shall pay to
- 6 such school, out of moneys appropriated to the department for
- 7 special education, the actual audited cost of tuition and
- 8 maintenance of such person, as determined by the Department of
- 9 Education, subject to review and approval in accordance with
- 10 standards and regulations promulgated by the Council of Basic
- 11 Education, and in addition, in the case of any child less than
- 12 six (6) years of age, who is blind, the cost, as determined by
- 13 the Department of Education of instructing the parent of such
- 14 blind child in caring for such child.
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- 16 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1985.