THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 496

Session of 1975

INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. BONETTO, ZORD AND LETTERMAN, FEBRUARY 19, 1975

AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, JULY 1, 1975

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the 2 3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the 4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, 6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or 8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 10 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the 13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of 14 15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the 17 18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other 19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 20 commissions shall be determined, " LIMITING THE ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN AND limiting the time during which certain 21 22 actions relating to transportation programs may be brought.

- 23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 24 hereby enacts as follows:
- 25 Section 1. Section 2002, THE act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, <-
- 26 No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," is amended
- 27 by adding a subsection SECTION to read:

- 1 SECTION 529. ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOL PUPILS. -- NO DEPARTMENT,
- 2 BOARD OR COMMISSION SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ORDER THE ASSIGNMENT
- 3 OF ANY PUPIL IN KINDERGARTEN, ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL TO
- 4 ANY SCHOOL OTHER THAN THE SCHOOL NEAREST THE PUPIL'S HOME
- 5 WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE PUPIL'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN EXCEPT
- 6 THAT NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL REPEAL ANY ENTRANCE
- 7 REQUIREMENT OF A SCHOOL WHICH HAS ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS. ANY
- 8 ORDER ISSUED BY A DEPARTMENT, BOARD OR COMMISSION HERETOFORE
- 9 WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN IMPLEMENTED, ORDERING ASSIGNMENT OF ANY
- 10 PUPIL IN KINDERGARTEN, ELEMENTARY, OR SECONDARY SCHOOL TO ANY
- 11 SCHOOL OTHER THAN THE SCHOOL NEAREST THE PUPIL'S HOME SHALL BE
- 12 NULL, VOID AND UNENFORCEABLE. ALL DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND
- 13 COMMISSIONS SHALL CEASE, DESIST AND WITHDRAW ANY AND ALL ACTIONS
- 14 PENDING WHICH ARE CONTRARY TO THIS SECTION. NO DEPARTMENT, BOARD
- 15 OR COMMISSION SHALL ENTER INTO OR CONTINUE ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING
- 16 DEALING WITH THE ASSIGNMENT OF PUPILS TO ANY ELEMENTARY,
- 17 <u>KINDERGARTEN, OR SECONDARY SCHOOL OTHER THAN THE SCHOOL NEAREST</u>
- 18 THE PUPIL'S HOME.
- 19 SECTION 2. SECTION 2002 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A
- 20 SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 21 Section 2002. Powers and Duties of the Department.--* * *
- 22 (e) Any person aggrieved by findings made or actions taken
- 23 under this section CLAUSE (15) OF SUBSECTION (A) OR SUBSECTION
- 24 (B) shall within thirty FORTY-FIVE days after publication of the
- 25 findings required in subsection (b) have the right to appeal to
- 26 the Commonwealth Court. This appeal shall be the sole and
- 27 exclusive judicial remedy available hereunder and shall after <
- 28 <u>such period of thirty days be barred from exercising the same TO</u> <--
- 29 <u>CONTEST ANY SUCH FINDINGS OR ACTIONS.</u>
- 30 Section 2 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days

1 IMMEDIATELY.