THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2200 Session of 2001

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 DECEMBER 3, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, DECEMBER 3, 2001

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
- 2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
- 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- 4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- 5 laws relating thereto, " imposing penalties for submitting a
- 6 false affidavit.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
- 10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
- 11 section to read:
- 12 Section 1302.1. Penalties for Submitting a False
- 13 Affidavit.--(a) If it is found that information contained in
- 14 the affidavit provided for in section 1302 of this act is false,
- 15 the child must be removed from the school after notice of an
- 16 opportunity to appeal the removal pursuant to the appropriate
- 17 <u>district grievance policy.</u>
- 18 (b) If it is further found that a person wilfully and

- 1 knowingly has provided false information in the affidavit
- 2 provided for in section 1302 of this act to enroll a child in a
- 3 school district for which the child is not eliqible, the affiant
- 4 is quilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree pursuant to 18
- 5 Pa.C.S. § 4903(b) (relating to false swearing).
- 6 (c) Upon conviction, the affiant shall be liable for and pay
- 7 <u>a penalty</u>, for the benefit of the school district in which the
- 8 affiant resides, not exceeding three hundred dollars (\$300) and
- 9 to pay court costs, and, in default of payment thereof, may be
- 10 sentenced to the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty
- 11 (30) days, and also must be required to pay to the school
- 12 district an amount equal to the cost to the district of
- 13 <u>educating the child during the period of enrollment.</u>
- 14 (d) The affidavit, which is required by the school districts
- 15 under this section, must include, in large print, the penalty
- 16 for providing false information on the affidavit.
- 17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.