
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY REED, GIAMMARCO, M. E. MILLER JR., HEPFORD AND
 GILLETTE, MAY 25, 1976

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 25, 1976

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," providing for full payment to school
 6 districts for the cost of pupil transportation.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 2541, act of March 10,
 10 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the "Public School Code of 1949,"
 11 amended December 29, 1972 (P.L.1726, No.372), is amended to
 12 read:

13 Section 2541. Payments on Account of Pupil Transportation.--
 14 (a) School districts shall be paid by the Commonwealth for every
 15 school year on account of pupil transportation which, and the
 16 means and contracts providing for which, have been approved by
 17 the Department of Education, in the cases hereinafter
 18 enumerated, an amount [to be determined by multiplying the cost
 19 of approved reimbursable pupil transportation incurred by the
 20 district by the district's aid ratio. In addition thereto, the

1 Commonwealth shall pay to each district qualifying a payment for
2 excessive cost of transportation, said amount to be determined
3 by subtracting from the cost of the approved reimbursable
4 transportation the sum of the Commonwealth transportation
5 payment immediately above, plus the product of one-half mill
6 (0.0005) times the latest market value of the district as
7 determined by the State Tax Equalization Board, provided such
8 amount is not negative. In addition thereto, the Commonwealth
9 shall pay to school districts which own their own vehicles, an
10 annual depreciation charge of ten per centum (10%), to be
11 calculated on the basis of the approved cost at which the
12 district acquired the vehicle for which depreciation is claimed.
13 With respect to vehicles purchased prior to January 1, 1956, the
14 number of depreciation payments shall be limited to ten such
15 payments. With respect to vehicles purchased on or after January
16 1, 1956, the annual depreciation charge shall not exceed seven
17 hundred dollars (\$700) for such vehicles. The number of annual
18 depreciation charges shall be limited, so that the total amount
19 of such payments shall not exceed the cost of the vehicle as
20 approved by the Department of Education at the time of the
21 purchase. In no case shall the Commonwealth pay, in depreciation
22 charges, more than ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500)
23 for any one vehicle.] equal to the full costs of pupil
24 transportation as required by this act. Such transportation
25 costs shall include, but not be limited to, the costs of
26 acquiring buses or other such vehicles, all of which shall be
27 owned and operated by the school districts applying for funds
28 under this section. The costs payable by the Commonwealth shall
29 not include the costs for personnel required for such
30 transportation.

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2 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.