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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 1, 1979

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," crediting a fee to a collecting State  
6 college or university for the creation of an emergency  
7 maintenance fund.

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

10 Section 1. Section 2008, act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,  
11 No.14), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended July  
12 25, 1963 (P.L.308, No.163) and first paragraph amended February  
13 17, 1970 (P.L.24, No.13), is amended to read:

14 Section 2008. Board and Fees.--The cost of room, board and  
15 fees shall be fixed by the Secretary of Education upon  
16 recommendation of the Board of State College and University  
17 Directors.

18 The tuition of all students at the State Colleges, who are  
19 residents of Pennsylvania, shall be paid by the Commonwealth.  
20 Sufficient appropriations shall be made for this purpose. In

1 addition to such appropriation, the board of trustees with the  
2 approval of the [Superintendent of Public Instruction] Secretary  
3 of Education may fix a basic fee applicable to all undergraduate  
4 students and may charge such other fees as may be necessary for  
5 the proper operation of the college and may refund from their  
6 respective advancement funds any advance registration deposits  
7 paid by prospective students who are unable to enter college.

8 A differential in the basic fee may be established for those  
9 students who sign an agreement to teach in the public schools of  
10 this Commonwealth for not less than two years and who are  
11 pursuing therein regular courses for the preparation of  
12 teachers.

13 In addition to the other fees from time to time fixed,  
14 charged and collected in the manner provided by law, a fee of  
15 ten dollars (\$10) per semester of eighteen weeks and a  
16 proportionate fee for each trimester, quarter, term and summer  
17 sessions of six weeks or three weeks shall be fixed, charged and  
18 collected from each student while in attendance at a college  
19 [which has constructed a student community building, or at a  
20 college for which the General State Authority has taken title to  
21 a student community building] or university, which fee shall be  
22 credited to the [Department of Property and Supplies and shall  
23 be fixed by boards of trustees in amounts sufficient to meet  
24 rentals due the General State Authority, pursuant to contracts  
25 to lease student community buildings constructed by the said  
26 Authority for the use of the State Colleges] collecting  
27 institutions for the creation of a reserve fund for the purpose  
28 of providing necessary emergency maintenance of campus buildings  
29 and grounds as approved by the Secretary of Education.

30 In addition to rental fees from time to time fixed, charged

1 and collected in the manner provided by law from each person  
2 residing in State-owned or State-leased residential facilities  
3 at a State College or university for the maintenance and  
4 operation of such facilities, a sum of not more than three  
5 dollars per week shall be fixed, charged and collected from each  
6 such person as an additional rental fee. Such additional rental  
7 fees shall be paid to the Commonwealth and as much of said fees  
8 as may be necessary shall be credited to the Department of  
9 [Public Instruction] Education for the creation of--

10 (a) A Reserve Fund for Contingencies and Capital  
11 Replacements, provided by annual payments from each [teachers']  
12 State college or university at the rate of one cent (\$.01) per  
13 cubic foot for each dormitory constructed, and

14 (b) A Furniture and Equipment Reserve Fund, provided by  
15 annual payments from each State College or university at the  
16 rate of eight per cent of the original cost of furniture and  
17 equipment for each building, with the further provision that  
18 such payments to these reserve funds shall be deposited annually  
19 to the credit of the contributing college in order that accrued  
20 annual payments and earned interest may be available for the  
21 exclusive use of the contributing college for the specific  
22 purposes designated or for such purposes as may be approved by  
23 the [Superintendent of Public Instruction] Secretary of  
24 Education.

25 All moneys accumulated in the above reserve funds shall be  
26 paid by the Department of [Public Instruction] Education from  
27 the funds for the purposes for which the funds were created in  
28 accordance with disbursement procedures as provided by law. All  
29 additional rental fee moneys collected in excess of the amounts  
30 required to be deposited in the reserve funds shall be credited

1 to the Department of [Property and Supplies] General Services  
2 and paid on account of rentals due the General State Authority  
3 pursuant to contracts to lease dormitories constructed by the  
4 said Authority for the use of the State Colleges.

5 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1979.