THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1809 Session of 1993

INTRODUCED BY HARLEY, NAILOR, FARGO, PITTS, M. N. WRIGHT, GORDNER, PETTIT, LEH, KREBS, BAKER, SAYLOR, HESS, SCHULER, FLEAGLE, CLARK, LAUB, FAJT, STERN, B. SMITH, RUBLEY, TRELLO, WAUGH, MILLER, BARLEY, BUSH, MICOZZIE, HUTCHINSON, GLADECK, HENNESSEY, D. W. SNYDER, GEIST, ARMSTRONG, HANNA, PETRONE, PLATTS, DRUCE, TULLI, SCHEETZ, ADOLPH, EGOLF, ROHRER, BUNT, L. I. COHEN, STEELMAN, FLICK AND GERLACH, JUNE 16, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JUNE 16, 1993

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- 4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- laws relating thereto, further providing for work to be done under contract let on bids.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. Section 751(a) of the act of March 10, 1949
- 10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
- 11 amended May 4, 1990 (P.L.164, No.38), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 751. Work to be Done Under Contract Let on Bids;
- 13 Exception. -- (a) All construction, reconstruction, repairs,
- 14 maintenance or work of any nature, including the introduction of
- 15 plumbing, heating and ventilating, or lighting systems, upon any
- 16 school building or upon any school property, or upon any
- 17 building or portion of a building leased under the provisions of

- 1 section 703.1, made by any school district, where the entire
- 2 cost, value, or amount of such construction, reconstruction,
- 3 repairs, maintenance or work, including labor and material,
- 4 shall exceed [ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)] <u>twenty-five</u>
- 5 thousand dollars (\$25,000), shall be done under separate
- 6 contracts to be entered into by such school district with the
- 7 lowest responsible bidder, upon proper terms, after due public
- 8 notice has been given asking for competitive bids. Whenever a
- 9 board of school directors shall approve the use of a
- 10 prefabricated unit, complete in itself, for a school building or
- 11 other proper structure to be erected upon school property, the
- 12 board of school directors may have prepared appropriate
- 13 specifications detailing the size and material desired in a
- 14 particular prefabricated unit, including all utilities such as
- 15 plumbing, heating and ventilating, and electrical work, and may
- 16 advertise for a single bid on all the work and award the
- 17 contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder: Provided,
- 18 That if due to an emergency a school plant or any part thereof
- 19 becomes unusable competitive bids for repairs or replacement may
- 20 be solicited from at least three responsible bidders, and upon
- 21 the approval of any of these bids by the Secretary of Education,
- 22 the board of school directors may proceed at once to make the
- 23 necessary repairs or replacements in accordance with the terms
- 24 of said approved bid or bids.
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- 26 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.