

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 882 Session of  
2003

INTRODUCED BY ORIE, MOWERY, LEMMOND, STOUT, KITCHEN, PILEGGI,  
RAFFERTY, COSTA, WAGNER, BOSCOLA, STACK AND FERLO,  
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REFERRED TO AGING AND YOUTH, JULY 28, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, authorizing the acquisition of child  
3 abuse clearance statements pertaining to nonpublic school  
4 employees.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 6355(b) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 6355. Requirement.

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11 (b) Grounds for denying employment.--

12 (1) Except as provided in section 6356 (relating to  
13 exceptions), an administrator shall not hire an applicant if  
14 the department verifies that the applicant is named as the  
15 perpetrator of a founded report or is named as the individual  
16 responsible for injury or abuse in a founded report for  
17 school employee. [No]

18 (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), no individual

1     who is a school employee on the effective date of this  
2     subchapter shall be required to obtain an official clearance  
3     statement under subsection (a)(1) as a condition of continued  
4     employment.

5         (3) Nothing in this section shall prevent a private  
6     school from requiring an employee to obtain an official  
7     clearance statement as a condition of continued employment.

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9     Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.