

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2603 Session of 2010

INTRODUCED BY ROEBUCK, ADOLPH, GRUCELA, HARKINS, LONGIETTI,
WAGNER AND BRIGGS, JUNE 23, 2010

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JUNE 23, 2010

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," in pupils and attendance, further
6 providing for costs of tuition and maintenance of certain
7 exceptional children in approved institutions.

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

10 Section 1. Section 1376 of the act of March 10, 1949
11 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
12 amended July 4, 2004 (P.L.536, No.70), is amended by adding a
13 subsection to read:

14 Section 1376. Cost of Tuition and Maintenance of Certain
15 Exceptional Children in Approved Institutions.--* * *

16 (c.9) The Department of Education shall approve an
17 application to be an approved private school if the applicant:

18 (1) Is an auditory-oral school for the deaf.

19 (2) Is a member of the national organization of schools that
20 advances listening and spoken language education for children

1 with hearing loss.

2 (3) Has at least three faculty members who are listening and
3 spoken language specialists as certified by the Alexander Graham
4 Bell Association for the Deaf.

5 (4) Demonstrates, through independent verification, that the
6 applicant is compliant with all content areas or test domains
7 examined by the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf.

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9 Section 2. Any and all regulations are abrogated to the
10 extent of any inconsistency with this act.

11 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.