
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY TALLMAN, SWANGER, MILLER, COHEN, BENNINGHOFF, MOUL
AND HELM, MAY 15, 2013

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AN ACT

1 Providing for school pension liability assistance; and
2 establishing the School Pension Liability Assistance Fund.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 CHAPTER 1

6 PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

7 Section 101. Short title.

8 This act shall be known and may be cited as the School
9 Pension Liability Assistance Act.

10 Section 102. Definitions.

11 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
12 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
13 context clearly indicates otherwise:

14 "Department." The Department of Education of the
15 Commonwealth.

16 "Fund." The School Pension Liability Assistance Fund
17 established in section 301.

18 "Local taxing effort." A rate determined by the Department

of Education based on a school district's combined real estate property tax rate and income tax rate.

"School district." A school district of the first class A, second class, third class or fourth class.

CHAPTER 3

SCHOOL PENSION LIABILITY ASSISTANCE

Section 301. School Pension Liability Assistance Fund.

(a) Establishment.--The School Pension Liability Assistance Fund is established as a separate fund in the State Treasury.

(b) Sources.--The following are sources of the fund:

(1) Appropriations.

(2) Return on money in the fund.

(c) Use.--The department shall use the fund to make disbursements as provided under section 302.

Section 302. Distribution of funds.

Notwithstanding any other law, the department shall distribute money in the fund in accordance with the calculation under section 303.

Section 303. Calculation of distribution.

The department shall calculate the payment to be distributed to each school district based on the following:

(1) The total pension liability for the school district.

(2) The local taxing effort of the school district.

Section 304. Restrictions.

All money in the fund shall be used as authorized under this act.

Section 305. Eligibility.

A school district with a school pension liability after June 30, 2013, shall be eligible to receive a distribution from the fund.

1 Section 306. Pro rata distribution.

2 If insufficient funds are appropriated to make payments to
3 school districts under this act, the payments shall be made on a
4 pro rata basis.

5 CHAPTER 51

6 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

7 Section 5101. Effective date.

8 This act shall take effect in 60 days.