

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATOR LANGERHOLC, EDUCATION, AS AMENDED, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

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 preliminary provisions, providing
6 for Assessment Testing Select Committee.

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

9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
11 section to read:

12 Section 129. Assessment Testing Select Committee.--(a) The
13 Assessment Testing Select Committee is established to study and
14 make findings and recommendations regarding the requirement for
15 and administration of the testing requirements of the Elementary
16 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (Public Law 89-10, 20 U.S.C.
17 section 6301 et seq.) during a resurgence of the Pandemic of
18 2020 in the 2020-2021 school year.

19 (b) The committee shall be composed of the following:

1 (1) The chairperson of the Education Committee of the
2 Senate.

3 (2) The minority chairperson of the Education Committee of
4 the Senate.

5 (3) The chairperson of the Education Committee of the House
6 of Representatives.

7 (4) The minority chairperson of the Education Committee of
8 the House of Representatives.

9 (c) The committee shall issue a report of its findings and
10 any recommendations to the secretary, the Senate and the House
11 of Representatives by ~~September 10, 2020~~ NOT LATER THAN TWO (2) <--
12 WEEKS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

13 (d) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
14 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
15 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

16 "Committee." The Assessment Testing Select Committee
17 established under subsection (a).

18 "Secretary." The Secretary of Education of the Commonwealth.

19 (e) This section shall expire ~~September 10, 2020~~ TWO (2) <--
20 WEEKS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

21 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.