

## 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 duties and powers of boards of  
6 school directors, providing for school crossing guards.

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 528. School Crossing Guards.--(a) No board of  
13 school directors may authorize a person as a school crossing  
14 guard in the school district unless the person is certified as a  
15 school crossing guard in accordance with this section and the  
16 board of school directors complies with the provisions of this  
17 section and the standards developed by the State Board of  
18 Education relating to certification of school crossing guards.

19 (b) The State Board of Education shall promulgate  
20 regulations for the certification of school crossing guards,

1 which regulations shall include the following provisions:

2 (1) A board of school directors shall provide training at  
3 least once each calendar year for persons interested in becoming  
4 certified as school crossing guards for the school district.

5 (2) The training provided by a board of school directors  
6 shall be conducted by a law enforcement officer or  
7 transportation official of the school district.

8 (3) No person may take an examination to become a certified  
9 school crossing guard more than three times in any one school  
10 year.

11 (4) To be certified as a school crossing guard, a person  
12 must:

13 (i) Complete at least one hour of training relating to the  
14 duties of school crossing guards and the provisions of 75  
15 Pa.C.S. Ch. 35 Subch. C (relating to rights and duties of  
16 pedestrians).

17 (ii) Complete a standardized examination of no more than  
18 twenty questions with a minimum score of seventy-five per centum  
19 correct answers.

20 (iii) Be subject to a criminal history background check.

21 (iv) Complete a continuing education course every three  
22 years.

23 (5) A certificate that a person has completed the  
24 requirements under this section to become a certified school  
25 crossing guard shall be valid for a period of three years,  
26 unless sooner revoked in accordance with this section.

27 (6) Reasons that justify a board of school directors in  
28 revoking a certificate for a school crossing guard.

29 (7) Reciprocity between school districts of certificates for  
30 school district crossing guards.

1     (8) Other provisions deemed necessary by the State Board of  
2 Education.

3     (c) The State Board of Education shall consult with the  
4 Department of Transportation in the development of materials for  
5 the training required under this section.

6     (d) A board of school directors shall maintain on file for  
7 three years a certificate issued for a school crossing guard in  
8 the school district.

9     (e) This section shall not apply to students of a school  
10 district who are expressly authorized by the board of school  
11 directors to act as school crossing guards.

12     Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1 of the year  
13 following the date of enactment.