

## 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 Pennsylvania Core Standards Commission.

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 124. Pennsylvania Core Standards Commission.--(a)  
13 The Pennsylvania Core Standards Commission is established.

14 (b) The commission shall study the Pennsylvania Core  
15 Standards under 22 Pa. Code Ch. 4 (relating to academic  
16 standards and assessment) and make recommendations to the State  
17 Board of Education for new standards to replace the Pennsylvania  
18 Core Standards.

19 (c) The commission shall consist of the following members:

1     (1) The following persons to be appointed by the Governor:

2     (i) Two (2) professional educators currently teaching in a  
3     public school offering classes at any grade level from  
4     kindergarten through grade twelve.

5     (ii) One (1) parent of a student enrolled in a public school  
6     offering classes at any grade level from kindergarten through  
7     grade twelve.

8     (iii) Two (2) persons employed in the private sector.

9     (2) The Secretary of Education or the secretary's designee.

10    (3) The following persons to be appointed by the President  
11    pro tempore of the Senate, in consultation with the Majority  
12    Leader and Minority Leader of the Senate:

13    (i) Two (2) professional educators currently teaching in a  
14    public school offering classes at any grade level from  
15    kindergarten through grade twelve.

16    (ii) One (1) parent of a student enrolled in a public school  
17    offering classes at any grade level from kindergarten through  
18    grade twelve.

19    (iii) Two (2) persons employed in the private sector.

20    (4) The chair and minority chair of the Education Committee  
21    of the Senate and the chair and minority chair of the Education  
22    Committee of the House of Representatives, or their designees.

23    (5) The following persons to be appointed by the Speaker of  
24    the House of Representatives, in consultation with the Majority  
25    Leader and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives:

26    (i) Two (2) professional educators currently teaching in a  
27    public school offering classes at any grade level from  
28    kindergarten through grade twelve.

29    (ii) One (1) parent of a student enrolled in a public school  
30    offering classes at any grade level from kindergarten through

1 grade twelve.

2 (iii) Two (2) persons employed in the private sector.

3 (6) The chair of the State Board of Education or the chair's  
4 designee.

5 (c) The members of the commission shall be appointed no  
6 later than thirty (30) days from the effective date of this  
7 section.

8 (d) The commission shall appoint a member to serve as chair  
9 of the commission.

10 (e) The commission shall hold meetings at the call of the  
11 chair.

12 (f) The commission shall have the following powers and  
13 duties:

14 (1) Consult with and utilize experts.

15 (2) Receive input from interested parties.

16 (3) Hold public hearings in different regions of this  
17 Commonwealth.

18 (g) The members of the commission may not receive  
19 compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for all  
20 necessary travel and other reasonable expenses incurred in  
21 connection with the performance of their duties as members of  
22 the commission.

23 (h) The Department of Education shall:

24 (1) Provide administrative support, meeting space and any  
25 other assistance required by the commission to carry out its  
26 duties under this section.

27 (2) Provide the commission with data, research and other  
28 information upon request by the commission.

29 (i) The commission shall submit its recommendations under  
30 subsection (b) no later than six (6) months from the effective

1 date of this section.

2 (j) The State Board of Education shall promulgate final  
3 omitted regulations pursuant to the act of June 25, 1982  
4 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the "Regulatory Review Act," based  
5 on the recommendations received under subsection (i) no later  
6 than one (1) year from receipt of the recommendations under  
7 subsection (i). The regulations promulgated under this  
8 subsection shall not deviate from the recommendations received  
9 under subsection (i).

10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.