

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 2245** Session of  
1976

INTRODUCED BY WILSON, BURNS, WRIGHT, WEIDNER AND RENNINGER,  
MARCH 23, 1976

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 23, 1976

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," further providing for Commonwealth  
6 reimbursements.

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

9 Section 1. Clause (12) of section 2501 and subsection (d) of  
10 section 2502, act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as  
11 the "Public School Code of 1949," amended June 26, 1974  
12 (P.L.370, No.125), are amended to read:

13 Section 2501. Definitions.--For the purposes of this article  
14 the following terms shall have the following meanings:

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16 (12) "State's Share of Total Cost." For the school year  
17 1966-1967 and each school year thereafter, the State's share of  
18 total reimbursable cost shall be fifty percent (50%). Total  
19 reimbursable cost shall be the lesser of actual expense per WADM  
20 as defined in clause (11.1) or a maximum amount to be fixed by

1 the General Assembly from time to time to represent the  
2 estimated average actual expense per WADM in the year for which  
3 the reimbursement is to be payable. For the school year  
4 commencing the first day of July 1973 and each school year  
5 thereafter through July 1, 1975 the maximum amount shall be  
6 seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750); but for reimbursement for  
7 instruction costs during any school year beginning with the  
8 school year July 1, 1976 and thereafter, a district shall  
9 receive a subsidy not exceeding the previous year's average  
10 Commonwealth instruction expense per WADM. The Secretary of  
11 Education annually shall calculate the State average "actual  
12 instruction expense per weighted average daily membership" and  
13 shall supply the same to the General Assembly to assist the  
14 General Assembly in evaluating the adequacy of such maximum  
15 amount.

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17 Section 2502. Payments on Account of Instruction.--

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19 (d) For the school year commencing the first day of July  
20 within the year of the effective date of this amendment and each  
21 school year thereafter, each school district shall be paid by  
22 the Commonwealth on account of instruction of the district's  
23 pupils an amount to be determined by multiplying the aid ratio  
24 times the actual instruction expense per weighted average daily  
25 membership or by five hundred fifty dollars (\$550), whichever is  
26 less, and by the weighted average daily membership for the  
27 district. For the school year 1973-1974 and each school year  
28 thereafter through July 1, 1975 each school district shall be  
29 paid by the Commonwealth on account of instruction of the  
30 district's pupils an amount to be determined by multiplying the

1 aid ratio times the actual instruction expense per weighted  
2 average daily membership or by seven hundred fifty dollars  
3 (\$750), whichever is less; but for reimbursement for instruction  
4 costs during any school year beginning with the school year July  
5 1, 1976 and thereafter, a district shall receive a subsidy not  
6 exceeding the previous year's average Commonwealth instruction  
7 expense per WADM.

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9 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1977.