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SENATOR ARLENE, LABOR AND INDUSTRY, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED,
FEBRUARY 6, 1978

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286, No.177), entitled, as
2 amended, "An act to provide for the health, safety, and
3 welfare of minors; By forbidding their employment or work in
4 certain establishments and occupations, and under certain
5 specified ages; by restricting their hours of labor, and
6 regulating certain conditions of their employment; by
7 requiring employment certificates for certain minors, and
8 prescribing the kinds thereof, and the rules for the
9 issuance, reissuance, filing, return, and recording of the
10 same; by providing that the Industrial Board shall, under
11 certain conditions, determine and declare whether certain
12 occupations are within the prohibitions of this act;
13 requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted;
14 providing for the enforcement of this act by the Secretary of
15 Labor and Industry, the representative of school districts,
16 and police officers; and defining the procedure in
17 prosecutions thereunder, and establishing certain
18 presumptions in relation thereto; providing for the issuance
19 of special permits for minors engaging in the entertainment
20 and related fields; providing penalties for the violation of
21 the provisions thereof; and repealing all acts or parts of
22 acts inconsistent therewith," eliminating the requirement of
23 a physical examination to obtain A REISSUANCE OF an
24 employment certificate. <—

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 Section 1. Section 17, act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286,

1 No.177), known as the "Child Labor Law," amended August 23, 1961
2 (P.L.1107, No.494) is amended to read:

3 Section 17. It shall be the duty of every person who shall
4 employ any minor under eighteen years of age to acknowledge, in
5 writing, to the official issuing the same, the receipt of the
6 employment certificate of said minor, within five days after the
7 beginning of such employment. On termination of the employment
8 of a minor under eighteen years of age, the employment
9 certificate issued for such minor shall be returned by mail, by
10 the employer, to the official issuing the same, immediately upon
11 demand of the minor for whom the certificate was issued, or
12 otherwise, within five days after termination of said
13 employment. The official to whom said certificate is so returned
14 shall file said certificate and preserve the same. Any minor
15 whose employment certificate has been returned, as above
16 provided, shall be entitled to a new employment certificate upon
17 presentation of a statement from the prospective employer, as
18 hereinabove provided[, accompanied by a certificate of physical
19 fitness, issued in the manner hereinabove provided and based
20 upon a reexamination of said minor, and certifying that the
21 minor is physically able to undertake the work for which the new
22 employment certificate is to be issued].

23 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.