THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of 1981

INTRODUCED BY DUFFY, WARGO, COCHRAN, COWELL, HORGOS, MULLEN, GRABOWSKI, SEVENTY AND PENDLETON, MARCH 17, 1981

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 17, 1981

AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled 2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the 3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative 4 5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, 6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or 7 8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 10 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the 12 13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive 14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 15 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, 16 17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 18 19 20 commissions shall be determined, " imposing additional 21 restrictions on the Department of Education, the Secretary of Education and the State Board of Education and providing for 22 23 legislative oversight of regulations promulgated by the 24 Department of Education.
- 25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 26 hereby enacts as follows:
- 27 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
- 28 as "The Administrative Code of 1929," is amended by adding

- 1 sections to read:
- 2 <u>Section 1321. Restrictions on Certain Activities.--Except as</u>
- 3 may be specifically authorized by the General Assembly, neither
- 4 the Department of Education, nor the Secretary of Education, nor
- 5 the State Board of Education, shall, by rule, regulation or
- 6 <u>funding adjustments</u>, <u>directly or indirectly</u>, <u>transfer the</u>
- 7 special education functions of intermediate units to the local
- 8 school districts.
- 9 <u>Section 1322. Oversight.--Every rule or regulation finally</u>
- 10 adopted by the Department of Education or its Secretary or the
- 11 State Board of Education shall not take effect unless such rule
- 12 <u>or regulation is approved by a majority vote of the House of</u>
- 13 Representatives and the Senate within fifteen legislative days
- 14 or sixty calendar days following submission or the expiration of
- 15 <u>fifteen legislative days or sixty calendar days following</u>
- 16 <u>submission</u> without any action by the House of Representatives or
- 17 the Senate. For purposes of this section the word submission
- 18 shall mean the date on which the rule or regulation is finally
- 19 adopted and transmitted to the Chief Clerk of the House of
- 20 Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate.
- 21 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.