

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY REIBMAN, HELFRICK, ANDREZESKI, SHAFFER AND SNYDER,  
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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, NOVEMBER 19, 1984

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 TEACHER <—  
6 CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS; AND providing for the definition  
7 of "pupil instruction time"; and prohibiting certain persons <—  
8 from being employed. "PUPIL INSTRUCTION TIME." <—

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 ~~Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known <—~~  
12 ~~as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding sections~~  
13 ~~to read:~~

14 ~~Section 1215. Conflicts of Interest. No person who is a~~  
15 ~~board member of any school district which participates in the~~  
16 ~~funding of any vocational technical school or intermediate unit~~  
17 ~~shall be eligible to be employed by such vocational technical~~  
18 ~~school or intermediate unit as a professional employe or as a~~  
19 ~~nonprofessional employe.~~

1       SECTION 1.   SECTION 1205 OF THE ACT OF MARCH 10, 1949  
2   (P.L.30, NO.14), KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF 1949,  
3   AMENDED JULY 22, 1970 (P.L.540, NO.183), IS AMENDED TO READ:

4       SECTION 1205.   ISSUING PERMANENT COLLEGE CERTIFICATES.--THE  
5   [SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION] SECRETARY OF EDUCATION  
6   SHALL ISSUE A PERMANENT COLLEGE CERTIFICATE TO EVERY GRADUATE OF  
7   AN APPROVED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, AND OF SUCH DEPARTMENTS  
8   THEREIN AS ARE APPROVED BY HIM, WHEN SUCH GRADUATE FURNISHES  
9   SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER AND SUCCESSFUL  
10   EXPERIENCE OF THREE YEARS' TEACHING ON A PROVISIONAL COLLEGE  
11   CERTIFICATE IN APPROVED ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOLS, IN  
12   PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS FROM WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF [PUBLIC  
13   INSTRUCTION] EDUCATION PURCHASES SERVICES ON A TUITION BASIS,  
14   AND IN STATE-AIDED AND STATE-OWNED SECONDARY SCHOOLS, AND HAS  
15   COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE SIXTH YEAR OF TEACHING SUCH WORK IN  
16   EDUCATION AS MAY BE REQUIRED DURING THE SIX-YEAR PERIOD BY THE  
17   STANDARDS OR REGULATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. SUCH  
18   WORK IN EDUCATION SHALL NOT EXCEED THAT REQUIRED AS OF THE TIME  
19   OF GRADUATION OF SUCH GRADUATES FROM COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES  
20   APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. SUCH CERTIFICATES  
21   SHALL ENTITLE ITS HOLDER TO TEACH WITHOUT FURTHER EXAMINATION.

22       SECTION 2.   THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:

23       Section ~~1511.1~~ 1511.2.   Definition of Pupil Instruction  
24   Time.--When used in this act, the following words and phrases  
25   shall have the following meanings:

26       (1) "Pupil instruction time" means time spent in the school  
27   program and related activities. In addition to the prescribed  
28   courses and instruction, such activities include:

29       (i) Clubs, with an academic orientation, student councils  
30   and similar activities which have an academic bearing.

1     (ii) School, group or class educational trips, if  
2 accompanied by a certificated school employe.

3     (iii) For pupils in graduating classes, not more than three  
4 (3) days for graduation preparation under the supervision of  
5 certificated school employes.

6     (iv) Civil defense, fire and other similar drills.

7     (v) Opening exercises, homeroom periods and supervised study  
8 halls.

9     (vi) Early dismissal and delayed opening due to inclement  
10 weather.

11     (2) Pupil instruction time shall not include lunch periods,  
12 recess, early dismissal before a holiday, celebrations, picnics,  
13 hunting, fishing, harvesting crops, or similar activities and  
14 teachers meetings, conferences, conventions, or similar  
15 activities.

16     SECTION 3. THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL RECOMMEND TO     <—  
17 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 1985, ITS PROPOSALS  
18 FOR THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF ALL PROFESSIONAL  
19 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES.

20     Section ~~2~~ 4. This act shall take effect immediately.     <—