THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto, " requiring courses of instruction in the safe driving of motor vehicles in public secondary 7 schools; and making editorial changes. 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 1519(a) of the act of March 10, 1949 10 11 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, amended October 21, 1965 (P.L.601, No.312), is amended to read: 12 13 Section 1519. Teaching of Safe Driving of Motor Vehicles .--14 Any school district may provide for the teaching of safe 15 driving of motor vehicles in the elementary [and secondary] schools of the district [or in the secondary schools only,] in 16 17 accordance with the standardized program established by the 18 Department of [Public Instruction.] Education. A school district shall provide for the teaching of safe driving of motor vehicles 19

in the secondary schools of the district in accordance with the

- 1 <u>standardized program established by the Department of Education.</u>
- 2 In the case of pupils under the age of sixteen (16) years, such
- 3 instruction shall be limited to class room instruction by those
- 4 who shall possess the qualifications prescribed by the State
- 5 Board of Education. In the case of pupils of the age of sixteen
- 6 (16) years and over, the instruction [may] shall include
- 7 practical instruction in the operation of motor vehicles on the
- 8 public highways, or other places, selected by the board of
- 9 school directors or by the principal of the school where the
- 10 instruction is given.
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- 12 Section 2. This act shall apply to the 2007-2008 school year
- 13 and each school year thereafter.
- 14 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.