

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY GROVE, MALONEY, BENNINGHOFF, TALLMAN, BLOOM,
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 KAUFFMAN, MARSHALL, METZGAR, MULLERY, ROAE, ROSS, TOBASH AND
 WAGNER, MAY 10, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 10, 2011

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 a change in the
 6 school district fiscal year for third and fourth class school
 7 districts.

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

10 Section 1. Section 671 of act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,
 11 No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, amended
 12 December 23, 2003 (P.L.304, No.48), is amended to read:

13 Section 671. Fiscal Year.--(a) In all school districts of
 14 the second, third, and fourth class, the fiscal year shall begin
 15 on the first day of July in each year: Provided, That the board
 16 of school directors of any district of the second, third or
 17 fourth class may, by resolution adopted by two-thirds vote of
 18 the members thereof at a meeting of the board after not less
 19 than ten days' notice of the fact that such resolution would be

1 presented for action at such meeting, fix the fiscal year of
2 such school district so as to begin on the first day of January
3 in each year instead of on the first day of July as hereinabove
4 provided.

5 (b) (1) For fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2004, a
6 school district of the second, third or fourth class may delay
7 the adoption of its annual budget beyond the last day in June
8 where legislation providing the appropriation for basic
9 education funding to be paid as a reimbursement for the
10 preceding school year is not enacted by June 15.

11 (2) A school district that delays the adoption of its annual
12 budget under paragraph (1) shall adopt an annual budget no later
13 than fifteen days subsequent to the enactment of legislation
14 providing the appropriation for basic education funding to be
15 paid as a reimbursement for the preceding year.

16 (3) The provisions of section 687 requiring ten days' public
17 notice prior to final action shall apply in cases when the
18 adoption of a school district's budget is delayed under this
19 subsection.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 180 days.