

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL**No. 910** Session of
2013

INTRODUCED BY WAUGH, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, VULAKOVICH,
COSTA, ALLOWAY AND BREWSTER, MAY 3, 2013

REFERRED TO EDUCATION, MAY 3, 2013

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 acquisition of
6 buildings or land.

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

9 Section 1. Section 703 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,
10 No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, amended June
11 30, 2011 (P.L.112, No.24), is amended to read:

12 Section 703. Acquisition of Buildings, Sites for School
13 Buildings and Playgrounds, and Disposing Thereof.--(a) In order
14 to comply with the provisions of this act, and subject to the
15 conditions thereof, the board of school directors of each
16 district is hereby vested with the necessary power and authority
17 to acquire, in the name of the district, by purchase, lease,
18 gift, devise, agreement, condemnation, or otherwise, any and all
19 schools and real estate, either vacant or occupied, including
20 lands theretofore occupied by streets and alleys which have been

1 vacated by municipal authorities, and to acquire by purchase,
2 lease, gift or devise, other buildings approved for school use
3 by the Department of Education as the board of school directors
4 may deem necessary to furnish school buildings or other suitable
5 sites for proper school purposes for said district or to enlarge
6 the grounds of any school property held by such district, and to
7 sell, convey, transfer, dispose of, or abandon the same, or any
8 part thereof, as the board of school directors may determine.
9 Approval of the Department of Education shall not be required
10 for school buildings and playgrounds on any school construction
11 project for which State reimbursement is not requested.

12 (b) Before exercising any authority to acquire land or
13 buildings under this section, the superintendent of a school
14 district shall notify, in writing, any municipality in which the
15 land or buildings are located no less than sixty (60) days
16 before taking title to the premises. The notice shall include
17 the location of the land or buildings being acquired, the nature
18 of the facility to be constructed or utilized, including the
19 approximate number of students and employes that will be
20 accommodated by the facility, and the expected development
21 schedule of the project.

22 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.