
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1304 Session of
2015

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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," in reimbursements by Commonwealth and
6 between school districts, providing for emergency
7 supplemental payment for basic education funding for 2015-
8 2016 school year; and making an appropriation.

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 a
13 section to read:

14 Section 2502.55. Emergency Supplemental Payment for Basic
15 Education Funding for 2015-2016 School Year.--(a) For the 2015-
16 2016 school year, an eligible school district as provided in
17 subsection (b) shall receive an emergency supplemental payment
18 for basic education funding as calculated in subsection (c).

19 (b) A school district that meets the following criteria
20 shall be an eligible school district:

21 (1) An average daily membership for the 2014-2015 school

1 year that is equal to or greater than seven thousand (7,000) and
2 less than twenty thousand (20,000).

3 (2) A total expenditure per average daily membership for the
4 2013-2014 school year that is less than fifteen thousand ninety-
5 one dollars (\$15,091).

6 (3) The difference between the following amounts is greater
7 than ten percent (10%):

8 (i) the allocation received by the school district for basic
9 education funding for the 2014-2015 school year under section
10 1722-L(17.1) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176),
11 known as "The Fiscal Code"; and

12 (ii) the amount that the school district would qualify to
13 receive for the 2015-2016 school year by the application of
14 section 2502.53 to the entire basic education funding
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2016-2017.

16 (c) An eligible school district shall receive an emergency
17 supplemental payment for basic education funding for the 2015-
18 2016 school year that shall be calculated as follows:

19 (1) Divide the amount of the difference calculated under
20 subsection (b)(3) for the eligible school district by the total
21 amount of the differences calculated for all eligible school
22 districts.

23 (2) Multiply the quotient in paragraph (1) by one hundred
24 fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000).

25 Section 2. The sum of \$150,000,000 is hereby appropriated to
26 the Department of Education for the purpose of emergency
27 supplemental payments for basic education funding for the 2015-
28 2016 school year in accordance with section 2502.55 of the act.

29 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, or
30 immediately, whichever is later.