

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 689 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY CRUZ, YOUNGBLOOD, DONATUCCI, KINSEY, THOMAS,  
V. BROWN, MURT, D. COSTA, McNEILL, READSHAW AND NEILSON,  
MARCH 3, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 3, 2017

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 terms and courses of study,  
6 further providing for physical education.

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

9 Section 1. Section 1512.1 of the act of March 10, 1949  
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is  
11 amended to read:

12 Section 1512.1. Physical Education.--[The] (a) Subject to  
13 the provisions of subsection (b), the board of school directors  
14 in every school district shall establish a curriculum aligned  
15 with Pennsylvania academic standards on health, safety and  
16 physical education that pursuant to 22 Pa. Code § 4.27 (relating  
17 to physical education and athletics), requires pupils enrolled  
18 in the district to participate in physical education.

19 (b) The curriculum under subsection (a):

1       (1) Shall require pupils in kindergarten through fifth grade  
2 to participate in a minimum of one hundred fifty (150) minutes  
3 of physical education during each school week.

4       (2) Shall require pupils in sixth through eighth grade to  
5 participate in a minimum of two hundred twenty-five (225)  
6 minutes of physical education each school week.

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