

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY ORTITAY, J. McNEILL, BOBACK, RYAN, SIMMONS AND DEASY, JUNE 6, 2018

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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 safe schools, providing for live
 6 video from security cameras and motion detectors; and, in
 7 terms and courses of study, further providing for fire and
 8 emergency evacuation drills.

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 1307.1-A. Live Video from Security Cameras and
 15 Motion Detectors.--(a) Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year,
 16 each security camera and door located on a campus of a public
 17 school entity shall be equipped with a motion detector that
 18 notifies an employee of the public school entity who is
 19 responsible for the security of the public school entity when
 20 the motion detector detects movement during normal school hours.

21 (b) In the event of an emergency, local law enforcement

1 shall have remote access to the live video from all security
2 cameras located on a campus of a public school entity.

3 (c) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
4 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless
5 the context clearly indicates otherwise:

6 "Public school entity" shall mean any of the following:

7 (1) A school district.

8 (2) An intermediate unit.

9 (3) An area vocational-technical school.

10 (4) A charter school, cyber charter school or regional
11 charter school as defined in section 1703-A.

12 Section 2. Section 1517(a.1) of the act, added November 6,
13 2017 (P.L.1142, No.55), is amended to read:

14 Section 1517. Fire and Emergency Evacuation Drills.--* * *

15 (a.1) [Within ninety (90) days of the commencement of the
16 school year after the effective date of this subsection and
17 within ninety (90) days of the commencement of each school year
18 thereafter, each school entity may conduct one school security
19 drill per school year in each school building in place of a fire
20 drill required under subsection (a).] Beginning in the 2018-2019
21 school year, each school entity shall conduct at least two
22 school security drills per school year in each school building.

23 All of the following shall apply:

24 (1) [The] Each school security drill [may] shall be
25 conducted while the school entity is in session and students are
26 present under policies adopted by the chief school
27 administrator.

28 (2) The chief school administrator or a designee shall
29 oversee the instruction and training of students and school
30 employees in the procedures to be used in [the] each school

1 security drill.

2 (3) The chief school administrator shall notify and request
3 assistance from the local law enforcement agency and emergency
4 management agency before conducting [the] each school security
5 drill.

6 (4) The chief school administrator shall provide notice of
7 the school security drill in advance to parents and legal
8 guardians of the students attending the school building for
9 which [the] each school security drill is scheduled.

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11 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.