

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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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 pupils and attendance, providing
6 for protective barriers on school buses.

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

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

12 Section 1368. Protective Barriers on School Buses.--(a) An
13 owner of a school bus may install a protective barrier around or
14 near the seat of the driver of the school bus for the purposes
15 of providing protection to the driver from infectious diseases.

16 (b) As part of the equipment inspection required under 67
17 Pa. Code Ch. 171 (relating to school buses and school vehicles),
18 the Pennsylvania State Police may inspect an installed
19 protective barrier described in subsection (a) to ensure that

1 the protective barrier complies with the State standards.

2 (c) As used in this section, the term "owner" means a school
3 district or a school bus transportation contractor.

4 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.