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APRIL 1, 1919.

AN ACT

To amend section five hundred and forty-two one thousand five hundred and one one thousand five hundred and three and two thousand three hundred and ten of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

1 Section 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*
2 *sentatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly*
3 *met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same* That
4 section five hundred forty-two of an act approved the
5 eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven
6 (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An act
7 to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth
8 of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it
9 shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the vio-
10 lation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain
11 the same and the method of collecting such revenue and
12 repealing all laws general special or local or any parts
13 thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which
14 reads as follows

15 "Section 542 Each male resident or inhabitant over
16 twenty-one years of age in every school district of the
17 second third or fourth class in this Commonwealth shall
18 annually in addition to any tax he may pay on any
19 real estate or other property pay for the use of the school
20 district in which he is a resident or inhabitant an oc-
21 cupation tax of at least one dollar" is hereby amended
22 to read as follows

23 Section 542 Each male resident or inhabitant over
24 twenty-one years of age in every school district of the
25 second third and fourth classes in this Commonwealth shall
26 annually pay for the use of the school district in which
27 he is a resident or inhabitant a property or occupation
28 tax of at least five dollars Where the property tax of
29 such resident or inhabitant is less than five dollars he

1 shall pay in addition to such property tax an occupa-
2 tion tax equivalent to the difference between the property
3 tax and five dollars

4 Section 2 That section one thousand five hundred and
5 one of said act which reads as follows

6 "Section 1501 Every school district of the first second
7 or third class in this Commonwealth shall annually pro-
8 vide medical inspection of all the pupils of its public
9 schools by proper medical inspectors to be appointed by
10 the board of school directors of the district Such medical
11 inspection shall be made in the presence of the parent
12 or guardian of the pupil when so requested by parent
13 or guardian all such medical inspectors shall be physicians
14 legally qualified to practice medicine in this Commonwealth
15 who have had at least two years' experience in the prac-
16 tice of their profession and shall be paid such amounts
17 as the boards of school directors may determine Provided
18 That nothing in this act shall preclude the appointment
19 of health officers of municipalities as medical inspectors in
20 the school districts of this Commonwealth Provided further
21 That if in any year before the first day of August the
22 board of school directors of any school district of the
23 third class shall decide by a majority vote of the mem-
24 bers thereof not to have medical inspection in any or all
25 of the schools of such district such medical inspection shall
26 not be made in such schools during the following school
27 year" is hereby amended to read as follows

28 Section 1501 Every school district of the first second
29 or third class in this Commonwealth shall annually pro-

1 vide medical inspection of all the public schools by proper
2 medical inspectors to be appointed by the board of school
3 directors of the district. Such medical inspection shall be
4 made in the presence of the parent or guardian of the
5 pupil when so requested by parent or guardian. All such
6 medical inspectors shall be physicians legally qualified to
7 practice medicine in this Commonwealth who have had at
8 least two years' experience in the practice of their pro-
9 fession and shall be paid such amounts as the boards
10 of school directors may determine. Provide That nothing in
11 this act shall preclude the appointment of health officers
12 of municipalities as medical inspectors in the school dis-
13 tricts of this Commonwealth.

14 Section 3 That section one thousand five hundred and
15 three of said act which reads as follows

16 "Section 1503 In every school district of the fourth
17 class in this Commonwealth the State Department of Health
18 shall provide in such manner as it may determine medi-
19 cal inspection for all the pupils in the public schools by
20 proper medical inspectors to be appointed by the State Commis-
21 sioner of Health at the expense of said department. All such
22 medical inspectors shall be legally qualified physicians who
23 have not had less than two years' experience in the prac-
24 tice of their profession. Such medical inspection shall be
25 made in the presence of the parent or guardian of the
26 pupil when so requested by parent or guardian. Provided
27 That if the board of school directors of any school dis-
28 trict of the fourth class shall decide by a majority vote
29 of the members thereof not to have medical inspection of

1 the pupils in a part or all of the schools of such dis-
2 trict and the Commissioner of Health is officially notified
3 thereof in writing before the first day of July such med-
4 ical inspection shall not be made in such schools during
5 the following school year" is hereby amended to read as
6 follows

7 Section 1503 In every school district of the fourth
8 class in this Commonwealth the State Department of Health
9 shall provide in such manner as it may determine medi-
10 cal inspection for all the pupils in the public schools by
11 proper medical inspectors to be appointed by the State
12 Commissioner of Health at the expense of said department
13 All such medical inspectors shall be legally qualified phy-
14 sicians who have had not less than two years' experience
15 in the practice of their profession Such medical inspection
16 shall be made in the presence of the parent or guardian
17 of the pupil when so requested by parent or guardian

18 Section 4 That section two thousand three hundred and
19 ten of said act which reads as follows

20 "Section 2310 The annual State appropriation appor-
21 tioned and distributed by the Superintendent of Public In-
22 struction to any school district in this Commonwealth shall
23 be paid to the school treasurer of the district and shall
24 be used by the district through its board of school di-
25 rectors for the use of the district for the purposes men-
26 tioned in this act" is hereby amended to read as fol-
27 lows

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29 and distributed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction

1 to any school district in this Commonwealth shall be paid
2 to the school treasurer of the district and shall be used
3 by the district through its board of school directors for
4 the use of the district for the purposes mentioned in
5 this act Provided That no district shall receive an amount
6 of State appropriation greater than they raise by taxation