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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 196**

Session of  
1961

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. SEYLER AND HAYS,  
FEBRUARY 13, 1961.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION,  
FEBRUARY 13, 1961.

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**AN ACT**

Amending the act of March 10 1949 (P L 30) entitled "An act relating to the public school system including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools amending revising consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto" authorizing the extension of sabbatical leaves of absence because of sickness or physical disability

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

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EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter stricken through is to be omitted from bill. Underlining indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1 Section 1 Section 1166 act of March 10 1949 (P L 30) known as  
2 the "Public School Code of 1949" amended June 6 1957 (P L 276) is  
3 amended to read

4 Section 1166 Persons Entitled (a) Any person employed in the  
5 public school system of this Commonwealth who has completed ten (10)  
6 years of satisfactory service as a professional employe or member of the  
7 supervisory instructional or administrative staff or in first class school  
8 districts as a member of the instructional staff as defined by the local  
9 board of education shall be entitled to a leave of absence for restoration  
10 of health study or travel or at the discretion of the board of school  
11 directors for other purposes At least five consecutive years of such  
12 service shall have been in the school district from which leave of absence  
13 is sought unless the board of school directors shall in its discretion allow  
14 a shorter time Such leave of absence shall be for a half or full school  
15 term or for two half school terms during a period of two years at the  
16 option of such person Provided however if a sabbatical leave is requested  
17 because of the illness of an employe a leave shall be granted for a  
18 period equivalent to a half or full school term or equivalent to two half  
19 school terms during a period of two years Provided further That if a  
20 sabbatical leave for one half school term or its equivalent has been

1 granted and the employe is unable to return to school service because of  
2 illness or physical disability the employe upon written request prior to  
3 the expiration of the original leave shall be entitled to a further sab-  
4 batical leave for one half school term or its equivalent Provided further  
5 that if a sabbatical leave for a full school term or its equivalent has  
6 been granted and the employe is unable to return to school service  
7 because of illness or physical disability the board of school directors  
8 may extend such sabbatical leave for such periods as it may determine  
9 but not to exceed one full school term or its equivalent Thereafter one  
10 leave of absence shall be allowed after each seven years of service

11 A sabbatical leave granted to a regular employe shall also operate  
12 as a leave of absence without pay from all other school activities

We certify that this bill has passed the Senate and the House of Representatives.

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Chief Clerk, Senate

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President pro tempore, Senate

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Speaker, House of Representatives

Approved The ..... day of ..... A. D. 1961.

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Governor