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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

No. **604** Session of  
1961

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. CONFAIR AND HAYS,  
MAY 3, 1961.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 3, 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" further providing for director representation in union or merged districts under certain conditions

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. Underscoring indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1 Section 1 Subsection (a) of section 312 act of March 10 1949 (P L  
2 30) known as the "Public School Code of 1949" amended June 24 1959  
3 (P L 481) and November 30 1959 (P L 1603) is amended to read

4 Section 312 Union and Merged Districts (a) In all union and merged  
5 districts one director shall be elected by and from each city borough  
6 town and township included in the union or merged district and by and  
7 from that part of each city borough town and township which is in-  
8 cluded in the union or merged district (all such cities boroughs towns  
9 townships and parts thereof being hereinafter referred to as "component  
10 municipalities") and such additional number of directors shall be elected  
11 at large in the union or merged district as are necessary to make up the  
12 number of directors provided by sections 304 and 305 of this act for  
13 school districts of the class to which the union or merged district belongs  
14 Where a union or merged district is formed from an existing union or  
15 merged district and one or more other districts or parts thereof the  
16 directors representing the former union or merged district shall be  
17 elected from each of the municipalities entitled to representation on the  
18 former union or merged district board of directors provided however  
19 that when the question of forming a union or merged district is sub-

1 mitted to the electors of two or more districts for approval the majority  
2 of school directors from the constituent districts may agree on a director  
3 representation different from that hereinabove specified so long as the  
4 total remains unchanged and in such event the director representation  
5 so agreed upon shall be incorporated in the question submitted to the  
6 electors for approval and upon approval of the union or merger by the  
7 electors such agreed upon director representation shall prevail rather  
8 than hereinabove specified If the number of component municipalities is  
9 one less equal to or greater than the number of directors provided for  
10 the appropriate class of district the number of directors of the union or  
11 merged district shall equal the number of component municipalities and  
12 such additional number elected at large in the union or merged district  
13 as are necessary to make up an odd number of directors but never less  
14 than two nor more than three In such event the number of directors  
15 shall be divided into three groups as nearly equal as possible but in such  
16 manner that at all times every municipality shall be represented by a  
17 director elected from that municipality The members of each group shall  
18 be elected at three successive municipal elections and shall serve for  
19 terms of six years each If a component school district which was not  
20 coterminous with a municipality did not have an active or elected school

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1 board prior to its becoming a part of the union or merged school dis-  
2 trict it shall not be entitled to representation on the board of school  
3 directors of the union or merged school district  
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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