
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. **695**

Session of
1961

INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. HAYS AND SEYLER, MAY 24, 1961.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 24, 1961.

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 the election of district superintendents and assistant superintendents in districts of the third class

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

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 Section 1071 act of March 10 1949 (P L 30) known as
2 the "Public School Code of 1949" amended August 19 1953 (P L 1136)
3 is amended to read

4 Section 1071 Election The board of school directors in every school
5 district of the first and second class shall and effective with the school
6 year beginning the first Monday of July 1962 in every district of the
7 third class (subject to approval where hereinafter required) enrolling
8 resident pupils equivalent to sixty (60) or more teaching units as defined
9 in Section 2501 of this act or participating in a complete joint board
10 organization may by a majority vote of all the members thereof elect a
11 properly qualified person as district superintendent together with such
12 properly qualified assistant superintendents as it deems wise If a district
13 superintendent [has jurisdiction over] is employed in a joint school sys-
14 tem including grades 1 to 12 he shall be elected by a majority vote of
15 all the school directors in the districts operating the joint school system
16 The directors of any other school district employing a district superin-
17 tendent of schools shall not participate in the election of a county
18 superintendent The public schools of any district employing a district
19 superintendent shall not be subject to the superintendent or super-
20 vision of a county or an assistant county superintendent but shall all be

1 under the supervision of the district superintendent

2 Section 2 Section 1072.1 of the act added August 17 1951 (P L.
3 1281) is amended to read

4 Section 1072.1 Discontinuance of Office in Districts Third Class

5 The board of school directors of any district of the third class now or
6 hereafter employing a district superintendent may at the end of the term
7 of the district superintendent then in office by a vote of the majority of
8 all of the members of the board discontinue the office in the district
9 subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Public Instruction The
10 board of school directors of any district of the third class or any joint
11 school organization including a district of the third class now or here-
12 after employing a district superintendent shall discontinue the office of
13 superintendent if during the last year of his term of office the number of
14 resident teaching units enrolled in such district of the third class falls
15 below sixty (60) In all cases the action shall be taken and notice thereof
16 given by registered mail to the district superintendent not less than
17 sixty days before the date fixed for the election of the district superin-
18 tendent Upon the discontinuance of the office of district superintendent
19 the directors of the district shall become eligible to participate in the
20 election of a county superintendent and the schools of the district shall

1 become subject to the supervision of the county superintendent

2 Section 3 Subsection (b) of section 1073 of the act amended August

3 19 1953 (P L 1136) is amended to read

4 Section 1073 Manner of Election Change of Class of District

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6 (b) Except in third class districts operating individually or jointly
7 in which the number of resident pupils enrolled in the schools falls below
8 sixty (60) teaching units whenever the term of office of any district
9 superintendent or associate superintendent expires he shall continue in
10 office for a further term of four years unless at least sixty (60) days
11 before the date fixed for the election of such a superintendent (1) four
12 or more members of a board of school directors in a second class district
13 or three or more members of a board of school directors in a third class
14 district or a majority of the boards operating a joint school system em-
15 ploying such officer shall forward by registered mail a notice to the dis-
16 trict superintendent or associate superintendent that another or other
17 candidates will be considered for the office or (2) notice is given of the
18 discontinuance of the office by action of the board of school directors
19 in a third class 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