
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. **719** Session of
1961

INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. SEYLER, WAGNER, SHAFER,
HAYS, SILVERT AND STROUP, MAY 31, 1961.

REFERRED TO SELECT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION,
MAY 31, 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" establishing an Educational Research and Development Fund granting certain powers and duties to the State Council of Education and making an appropriation

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.

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

1 Section 1 The act of March 10 1949 (P L 30) known as the "Public
2 School Code of 1949" is amended by adding after section 1519.1 a new
3 section to read

4 Section 1520.1 Educational Research and Development Fund (a)
5 There is hereby established a fund to be known as "The Educational
6 Research and Development Fund" which shall be administered by the
7 Department of Public Instruction as directed by the State Council
8 of Education

9 (b) The fund shall be used to finance educational research experi-
10 mentation and development in the public schools of the Commonwealth
11 including research and experimentation in basic techniques devices and
12 problems of learning and teaching improved methods of education at
13 reduced per pupil cost to finance experimental programs such as but not
14 limited to team teaching track systems the use of educational television
15 mechanical and audio-visual teaching aids and generally to engage in
16 both basic and practical research and experiment for improvement in
17 educational means and methods

1 (c) The State Council of Education shall receive and review pro-
2 posed research and development programs submitted by the boards of
3 school directors of school districts the State Council of Education may
4 initiate its own programs and projects it may direct the Department of
5 Public Instruction to formulate and submit proposals for such research
6 and it may direct the Department of Public Instruction to contract
7 with universities colleges and qualified persons to conduct such experi-
8 mentation with the consent of the local school district

9 (d) The State Council of Education may direct the payment from
10 such fund such amount as it finds reasonable to the school district or
11 other party whose proposed plan of experimentation was approved by
12 the State Council of Education but no monies shall be expended from
13 the fund except upon proposals for experimentation approved by the
14 State Council of Education

15 Section 2 The sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)
16 as as much thereof as is necessary is appropriated to the Department of
17 Public Instruction for the use of the State Council of Education to
18 effectuate the purposes of this act

19 Section 3 This act shall take effect immediately

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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. 1901.

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Governor