

No. 48.

AN ACT

To amend an act, approved the sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred and ninety-six), entitled "An act providing for the time during which pupils may be taught in institutions for the instruction of the blind in this Commonwealth"; extending the provisions of the act to pupils in institutions or schools for the deaf as well as for the blind; and authorizing the Department of Public Instruction to determine the number of years during which such pupils may be educated, in whole or in part, at State expense.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That an act, approved the sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred and ninety-six), entitled "An act providing for the time during which pupils may be taught in institutions for the instruction of the blind in this Commonwealth," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Act of May 16,
1909 (P. L. 196),
amended to apply
to institutions for
deaf.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the time for which pupils of this Commonwealth may be taught in institutions or schools for the instruction of the blind or for the deaf, [under appropriations made by the Legislature] *in whole or in part at the expense of the Commonwealth*, shall extend to such number of years from the time of entering said institutions or schools as [the respective board of managers of such institutions may determine to be advantageous for such pupils] *may be approved by the Department of Public Instruction.*

APPROVED—The 26th day of March, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 49.

AN ACT

To further amend section one thousand four hundred and fourteen 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," by providing for the education of deaf, blind, or crippled children.

Public school sys-
tem.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one thousand four hundred and fourteen 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," as amended by an act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, fifty-eight), entitled "An act to amend section one thousand four hundred and fourteen 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,' and further amended by an act, approved the twenty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand and eighty-four), entitled "An act to amend section one thousand four hundred and fourteen 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,' be further amended to read as follows:

Section 1414. Every child having a legal residence in this Commonwealth, as herein provided, between the ages of eight and sixteen years, is required to attend a day school in which the common English branches provided for in this act are taught *in the English language*; and every parent, guardian, or other person, in this Commonwealth, having control or charge of any child or children, between the ages of eight and sixteen years, is required to send such child or children to a day school in which the common English branches are taught *in the English language*; and such child or children shall attend such school continuously through the entire term, during which the public elementary schools in their respective districts shall be in session: Provided, That the certificate of any prin-

Section 1414, Act of May 18, 1911 (P. L. 309), further amended.

Attendance.

cipal or teacher of a private school, or of any institution for the education of children, in which the common English branches are taught in the *English language*, setting forth that the work of said school is in compliance with the provisions of this act, shall be sufficient and satisfactory evidence thereof. Regular daily instruction in the English language, for the time herein required, by a properly qualified private tutor, shall be considered as complying with the provisions of this section, if such instruction is satisfactory to the proper county or district superintendent of schools.

Special provision
for deaf or blind
children.

Every parent, guardian, or other person in this Commonwealth having control or charge of any child between the ages of six and sixteen years who is deaf or blind, or is so crippled, or whose hearing or vision is so defective as to make it impracticable to have such child educated in the public schools of the district in which he is a resident, shall allow such child to be sent to some school where proper provision is made for the education of the deaf, or of the blind, or of crippled children, or shall provide for the tuition of such child by a legally certified private tutor.

Provided further, That the board of school directors in any district of the fourth class may, at a meeting held at any time before the opening of the school term, reduce the period of compulsory attendance for pupils twelve years of age or more to not less than seventy per centum of the school term as fixed in such district, in which case, however, the board of school directors must, at the same time, fix the period for the compulsory attendance to begin.

APPROVED—The 26th day of March, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 50.

AN ACT

To further amend paragraph nineteen of section one thousand two 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," by including payments on account of special classes.

Public Schools.
Paragraph 19, section
1210, act of
May 18, 1911 (P.
L. 309), further
amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That paragraph nineteen of section one thousand two hundred and ten of an act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws,