

## No. 498

## AN ACT

HB 2228

Amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P. L. 744), entitled, as amended, "An act prohibiting certain practices of discrimination because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, age or national origin by employers, employment agencies, labor organizations and others as herein defined; creating the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission in the Department of Labor and Industry; defining its functions, powers and duties; providing for procedure and enforcement; providing for formulation of an educational program to prevent prejudice; providing for judicial review and enforcement and imposing penalties," providing that three members of the Commission may act for hearing purposes.

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

Section 1. The last paragraph of section 9, act of October 27, 1955 (P. L. 744), known as the "Pennsylvania Human Relations Act," amended February 28, 1961 (P. L. 47), is amended to read:

Section 9. Procedure.—\* \* \*

The Commission shall establish rules or practice to govern, expedite and effectuate the foregoing procedure and its own actions thereunder. Three or more members of the Commission shall constitute the Commission for any hearing required to be held by the Commission under this act. Any complaint filed pursuant to this section must be so filed within ninety days after the alleged act of discrimination. Any complaint may be withdrawn at any time by the party filing the complaint.

APPROVED—The 27th day of December, A. D. 1965.

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No. 499

AN ACT

HB 2240

Amending the act of July 17, 1961 (P. L. 776), entitled "An act declaring the policy of the Commonwealth with regard to discriminatory practices in educational institutions based upon race, religion, color, ancestry or national origin; prohibiting such discriminatory practices; providing for procedure and enforcement; providing for judicial review; providing for administration by the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission in the Department of Labor and Industry; and defining its functions, powers and duties hereunder," limiting in part the exemption of religious or denominational educational institutions from the provisions of the act.

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

Section 1. Section 4, act of July 17, 1961 (P. L. 776), known as the "Pennsylvania Fair Educational Opportunities Act," is amended by adding, after subsection (a), a new subsection to read:

Section 4. Unfair Educational Practices.—

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(aa) It shall be an unfair educational practice for a religious educational institution—

(1) To exclude or limit, or otherwise discriminate, because of race, color, ancestry or national origin, against any student or students seeking admission as students to such institutions: Provided, That it shall not be unfair educational practice for any religious educational institution to use criteria other than race, color, ancestry or national origin in the admission of students.

(2) To make any written or oral inquiry prior to admission concerning or designed to elicit information as to the race, color, ancestry or national origin of a student seeking admission to such institution.

(3) To expel, suspend, punish, deny facilities or otherwise discriminate against any student because of race, color, ancestry or national origin.

(4) To penalize or discriminate against any individual because he has initiated, testified, participated or assisted in any proceedings under this act.

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APPROVED—The 27th day of December, A. D. 1965.

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No. 500

AN ACT

SB 355

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P. L. 1333), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, primary and election expenses and election contests; creating and defining membership of county boards of elections; imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to elections," further providing for the purchase, leasing or renting, installing and use