

state officers, and the salary and expenses of the members of the General Assembly, and repealing certain inconsistent acts.”

Section 2. At the next municipal election in November, 1967, the qualified electors of the seventh judicial district shall elect, in the same manner prescribed by law for the election of the president judge of the court of common pleas of the district, a competent person learned in the law to serve as additional law judge of the court of common pleas of the seventh judicial district from the first Monday in January, 1968, for a term of ten years. Vacancies in the office hereby created whether caused by death, resignation, expiration of term or otherwise shall be filled in the same manner as is required by law in case of a similar vacancy in the office of president judge of the court.

Section 3. The Governor may appoint a competent person, learned in the law, as additional law judge of the court of common pleas of the seventh judicial district to serve until the first Monday of January, 1968.

APPROVED—The 25th day of January, A. D. 1966.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 546

AN ACT

SB 1131

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,” providing that certain districts that do not avail themselves of the services of the county superintendent shall not be required to share in the cost of the office and for certain audits by accountants.

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

Section 1. Section 1091, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the “Public School Code of 1949,” amended July 29, 1965 (Act No. 152) (P. L. 262), is amended to read:

Section 1091. Services Provided Through Office of County Superintendent.—(a) (1) Joint school systems operated by school districts of the third or fourth class that employ district superintendents for the joint school systems, (2) union and merged districts, (3) except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of section 901, districts that were under the supervision of the county superintendent on the first Monday of

July, 1955, (4) districts employing district superintendents which elect to become part of the county service system, (5) districts of other counties that have joined with one or more districts of the county in establishing joint schools which conform to approved county plans, and (6) second, third and fourth class school districts established as the result of reorganization of school districts pursuant to Article II, subdivision (i) of this act, shall be entitled to all services provided through the office of the county superintendent, subject to all conditions and requirements imposed on school districts under the supervision of the county superintendent.

(b) Those districts participating in the services of the office of the county superintendent during the 1965-1966 school year shall continue to be entitled to the services provided through that office and shall share in the salary and expenses of the office.

Those districts employing a district superintendent and not availing themselves of the services of the office of the county superintendent during the 1965-1966 school year but entitled to the services provided through the office of the county superintendent under the provisions of clause (6) of subsection (a) hereof shall not be required to share in the salary and expenses of the office unless they elect to avail themselves of the services offered until the effective date of the proposed plan of intermediate units.

Section 2. Section 2401 of the act, amended June 18, 1959 (P. L. 472), is amended by adding, after clause (10), a new clause to read:

Section 2401. By Whom Audited.—The finances of every school district and of every joint school board, in every department thereof, together with the accounts of all school treasurers, school depositories, teachers' retirement funds, teachers' institute funds, directors' association funds, sinking funds, and other funds belonging to or controlled by the district, shall be properly audited as follows:

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(11) In all school districts established as a result of the provisions of the act of August 8, 1963 (P. L. 564), by a certified public accountant, a firm of certified public accountants, a competent independent public accountant or a firm of competent independent public accountants who shall be named prior to the end of the fiscal year and shall have all

the powers and duties of such other auditors hereinbefore provided, except that the audit shall be made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The compensation of the accountant or firm of accountants shall be fixed by the employing board of school directors and shall be paid from the funds of the school district.

The accountant or firm of accountants may be designated for a term of years and, at the discretion of the board, may be authorized to conduct a monthly audit of accounts.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 25th day of January, A. D. 1966.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

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No. 547

AN ACT

SB 1141

Amending the act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2051), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to public assistance; providing for and regulating assistance to certain classes of persons designated and defined as dependent children, aged persons, blind persons and other persons requiring relief; providing for the administration of this act by the Department of Public Welfare and county boards of assistance hereby created for this purpose; authorizing the Department of Public Welfare to cooperate with, and to accept and disburse moneys received from, the United States Government for assistance to such persons; providing for the liquidation of the State Emergency Relief Board, Boards of Trustees of the Mothers' Assistance Fund, and Boards of Trustees of Pension Fund for the Blind; and repealing laws relating to mothers' assistance, pensions for the blind, old age assistance, and the State Emergency Relief Board," providing for application for medical assistance generally and on behalf of minors and authorizing such applications to be made without bond when made by officials of agencies.

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

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 13.1, act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2051), known as the "Public Assistance Law," amended April 20, 1965 (Act No. 13) (P. L. 15), is amended to read:

Section 13.1. Application.—* * *

(b) Whenever a person in need of medical assistance [for the aged or purchased hospital care and post hospital care, geriatric center care or public nursing home care] is unable to make application therefor by reason of his illness or infirmity, or by reason of his minority, application