

No. 60

AN ACT

To further amend clause (b) of section 4 of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 2051), entitled "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 Assistance and county boards of assistance hereby created for this purpose; authorizing the Department of Public Assistance 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," by providing that where the Commonwealth assigns to a third party any lien or obligation secured for repayment of public assistance, the assignee can collect thereon only the amount he paid to the Commonwealth.

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

Section 1. Clause (b) of section 4 of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 2051), entitled "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 Assistance and county boards of assistance hereby created for this purpose; authorizing the Department of Public Assistance 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," as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws 434), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 4. General Powers and Duties of Department of Public Assistance.—

The Department of Public Assistance shall have the power, and its duties shall be:

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(b) To establish, with the approval of the State Board of Public Assistance, rules, regulations and standards,

"Public Assistance Law."

Clause (b) of section 4, act of June 24, 1937, P. L. 2051, as last amended by act of May 21, 1943, P. L. 434, further amended.

consistent with the law, as to eligibility for assistance and as to its nature and extent: *Provided, That whenever a recipient of public assistance as a prerequisite to receiving assistance or otherwise has been required to encumber in favor of the Commonwealth any property, or to give any bond, note or other obligation in any sum to secure the repayment of moneys received as assistance or for any other purposes, and such bonds, notes, judgments, mortgages or other obligations are thereafter assigned by the Commonwealth to any third party, the assignee shall not be entitled to collect, and the person liable for the payment of the lien or obligation shall not be liable for the payment of, any amount greater than the amount the assignee paid for the assignment, notwithstanding the face amount of such lien or obligation. This provision shall not be effective as to the collection of interest accruing after the date of the assignment or costs of collection.*

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 19th day of June, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 61

AN ACT

To amend section 1515 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," by requiring regular courses of instruction in constitutional law and government in public, private and parochial *schools.

"Public School Code of 1949."

Section 1515, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended.

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

Section 1. Section 1515 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1515. [U. S.] *Constitution and Government to Be Taught.*—In all public, *private or parochial* schools, there shall be [given regular courses of instruction in] *integrated in the social studies curriculum a study of the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of Pennsylvania, and the structure of government in the*

* "school" in original.