

Appropriation.

Section 3. The sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Public Instruction for the payment of salaries, wages or other compensation, the payment of general expenses, supplies, printing, equipment and all other expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

APPROVED—The 13th day of July, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 397

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," repealing provisions authorizing the formation and operation of vocational school districts, and extending provisions for payment by the Commonwealth for area technical schools, and defining vocational technical education.

Public School
Code of 1949.

Sections 1821 to
1830, inclusive,
act of March 10,
1949, P. L. 30,
repealed.

Section 1801 of
the act amended
by adding a new
clause (15).

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

Section 1. Sections 1821 to 1830, both inclusive, of the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," are repealed.

Section 2. Section 1801 of the act is amended by adding, at the end, a new clause to read:

Section 1801. Definitions.—The following words and phrases as used in this article shall, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, have the following meanings:

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(15) "Vocational Technical Education" shall mean a subject, or combination of subjects, of less than college grade designed to prepare an individual to enter or advance in an occupational field wherein success is largely dependent upon knowledge of techniques and applied sciences, the practice of which involves aspects of planning, managing, controlling, processing or distributing products, sales and services.

Section 2508.1 of
the act, added
August 21, 1953,
P. L. 1223,
further amended.

Section 3. Section 2508.1 of the act, added August 21, 1953 (P. L. 1223), is amended to read:

Section 2508.1. Payment on Account of Equipment Purchased for Area Technical Schools.—Every county board of school directors operating approved area tech-

nical schools or classes shall be paid by the Commonwealth, annually, on account of instructional equipment approved, purchased and installed, a proportionate share of Federal and State funds available and expendable for that purpose. *The Department of Public Instruction may make advanced payment of available but unencumbered State and Federal funds to expedite the purchase of equipment.*

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of July, A. D. 1957.

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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," authorizing the State Board *for Vocational Education to administer the allocation of unencumbered Federal and State vocational education funds, the vocational training of unemployed adults and directing the preparation of a state-wide plan of area vocational technical schools and implementation thereof.

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

Public School Code of 1949.

Section 1. Article XVIII., act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," is amended by adding, at the end, three new sections to read:

Article XVIII., act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended by adding three new sections 1848, 1849 and 1850.

Section 1848. State-wide Plan of Area Vocational Technical Schools.—The State Board for Vocational Education may formulate and adopt a state-wide plan of area vocational technical school attendance areas in counsel with county and district school superintendents, industrial, labor and lay representatives, for the purpose of controlling, promoting and administering area vocational technical schools and classes, taking into consideration population, density, community interests, facility of transportation, existing facilities, school organization and financial ability. The plan shall specifically define attendance areas, minimum facility, pupil capacity, curricular scope and objectives of the program, to be offered therein.

Section 1849. Petitions for Change of Plan.—Future development of area vocational technical schools shall, after approval of the State plan, conform to the plan,

*"of" in original.