

No. 490

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," further providing for the reversion of territory upon abolition of an independent school district.

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

Public School
Code of 1949.

Section 1. Section 243, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," is amended to read:

Section 243, act
of March 10,
1949, P. L. 30,
amended.

Section 243. Abolition of Independent Districts.— Any independent school district, established as herein provided, may be abolished at any time by the court of common pleas of the county in which its school buildings are located, on the petition of its board of school directors, or on the petition of a majority of the resident taxpayers in the independent school district, after hearing, of which due notice shall be given, as the court may direct, to the school district or districts to which its lands would revert. When so abolished, the territory thereof shall become part of and belong to the several school districts within whose boundaries the same is situated, and its property and indebtedness, if any, shall be apportioned among them as hereinbefore provided. *When territory of an independent district so abolished is situated within the boundaries of more than one school district, the court may direct, after public hearing as herein provided, that all territory of the independent district shall become a part of and belong to the school district in which the majority of the residents select to have the board of school directors assign the children.*

APPROVED—The 9th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 491

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," providing for the appointment of additional assistant county solicitors and special counsel in counties of the third class.

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

The County
Code.

Section 904, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended.

Section 1. Section 904, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended to read:

Section 904. Assistant Solicitors in Third Class Counties.—In counties of the third class, the county commissioners may appoint [an] *not more than three* assistant county [solicitor] *solicitors, and, with the approval of the court of common pleas, special counsel who shall be attorneys at law admitted to practice in the courts of this Commonwealth.* Each assistant and special counsel shall perform such duties in connection with the legal affairs of the county as may be assigned to him by the county commissioners or the county solicitor.

APPROVED—The 9th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 492

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 inclusion of costs of treasurers' bonds and auditing of treasurers' accounts in estimates of costs of educating handicapped children, and providing for reimbursements.

Public School Code of 1949.

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

Subsection (b), section 925, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended March 29, 1956, P. L. 1356, further amended.

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 925, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended March 29, 1956 (P. L. 1356), is amended to read:

Section 925. Powers and Duties.—

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(b) The county board of school directors, in respect to second, third and fourth class school districts within the county shall have power and its duty shall be—

(1) To prepare plans for the proper education and training of handicapped children as hereinafter provided;

(2) To provide, maintain, administer, supervise and operate schools and classes for handicapped children in accordance with a plan approved by the State Council of Education as hereinafter provided;

(3) To estimate and file with the Department of Public Instruction the cost of classes and schools for handicapped on or before the first day of July of each year. *The estimate may include the cost of the treasurer's bond and auditing of his accounts.*