

participating districts on the basis of the proportion which the valuation of each district as certified by the state tax equalization board during the preceding school year bears to the total valuation of all participating districts. *In special cases where the best interests of the Commonwealth and of the school districts will be better served by permitting the districts to establish for themselves some method other than market valuation as the basis for determining their respective shares of the annual lease rental, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may issue a special order approving such method of sharing the rental and authorizing that the rental reimbursement for that particular project shall be calculated on the basis of the proportionate share of rental actually paid by each district.*

APPROVED—The 30th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 580

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," increasing room rentals at State Teachers' Colleges, and providing for the disposition of the increased rentals.

Public School
Code of 1949.

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

Section 2008, act
of March 10,
1949, P. L. 30,
further amended.

Section 1. Section 2008, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," is amended to read:

Section 2008. Board and Tuition.—The cost of boarding and tuition shall be fixed by the trustees of the several State Teachers' Colleges with the approval of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. No difference in the charge for board and tuition shall be made in favor of any students pursuing similar studies.

The tuition of all students at the State Teachers' Colleges, who are residents of Pennsylvania, and who meet such requirements as the board of presidents of the State Teachers' Colleges may prescribe, and who sign an agreement to teach in the public schools of this Commonwealth for not less than two years, and who are pursuing therein regular courses for the preparation of teachers, shall be paid by the Commonwealth. Sufficient appropriations shall be made for this purpose. In addition to such appropriations, the board of trustees may

fix and charge such fees as may be necessary for the proper operation of the college and may refund from their respective advancement funds any advance registration deposits *paid by prospective students who are unable to enter college.

In addition to the rental fees from time to time fixed, charged and collected in the manner provided by law from each person residing in State-owned or State-leased residential facilities at a State Teachers' College for the maintenance and operation of such facilities, a sum of not more than three dollars per week shall be fixed, charged and collected from each such person as an additional rental fee. Such additional rental fees shall be paid to the Commonwealth and as much of said fees as may be necessary shall be credited to the Department of Public Instruction for the creation of—

(a) *A Reserve Fund for Contingencies and Capital Replacements, provided by annual payments from each teachers' college at the rate of one cent (\$.01) per cubic foot for each dormitory constructed, and*

(b) *A Furniture and Equipment Reserve Fund, provided by annual payments from each teachers' college at the rate of eight per cent of the original cost of furniture and equipment for each building, with the further provision that such payments to these reserve funds shall be deposited annually to the credit of the contributing college in order that accrued annual payments and earned interest may be available for the exclusive use of the contributing college for the specific purposes designated or for such purposes as may be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 30th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 581

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," providing representation on the board of directors of union and merged school districts.

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

Public School Code of 1949.

* "pay" in original.