

served by registered mail on the secretary of the county board.

The State Council of Education or its representative shall fix a day and time for hearing, shall give written notice to all parties interested, and may hear and consider such testimony as it may deem advisable to enable it to make a proper order.

After hearing and argument and reviewing all the testimony filed or taken before it, the State Council of Education or its representative shall enter such order as appears just and proper, approving or disapproving the decision of the county board, ordering an amendment to the county-wide plan or, in lieu of ordering an amendment to the county-wide plan and in a proper case, certifying to the Department of Public Instruction that the school district may be approved for supplemental payments under section 2502.1 of this act, which such district would receive if the county-wide plan were amended.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 8th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 637

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," clarifying certain provisions relating to expenses.

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

Public School Code of 1949.

Section 1. Section 516, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended May 2, 1949 (P. L. 803), is amended to read:

Section 516, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended May 2, 1949, P. L. 803, further amended.

Section 516. State Convention or Association; Delegates; Expenses; Membership.—The board of school directors of each district may appoint, from among their number, one or more delegates to any State convention or association of school directors, held within the Commonwealth, and may appoint the secretary of their respective board as a delegate to attend the annual State convention or association of secretaries of boards of school directors, to be held at the same time and place as the State convention or association of school directors. It shall be the duty of such delegates and such secretaries

to attend the meetings of such convention or association, and each delegate and secretary so attending shall be reimbursed for all necessary [traveling and hotel] expenses *for traveling, lodging and meals* actually incurred. Any such board may become a member of the State School Directors' Association, and may pay, out of the school funds of the district, any membership dues which may be assessed by the association at any State convention of school directors to defray the necessary expenses of maintaining the association and of holding the convention. Such expenses shall be paid by the treasurer of the school district, in the usual manner, out of the school funds of the district, upon the presentation of an itemized, verified statement of such expenses.

APPROVED—The 8th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 638

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 17, 1929 (P. L. 527), entitled "An act providing for the recovery and collection of municipal claims by action of assumpsit, without the necessity of entering liens for such claims, and repealing existing laws," providing for the recovery of water and sewer charges and the cost of removal of nuisances by actions of assumpsit.

Municipal claims.

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

Section 1, act of April 17, 1929, P. L. 527, amended.

Section 1. Section 1, act of April 17, 1929 (P. L. 527), entitled "An act providing for the recovery and collection of municipal claims by action of assumpsit, without the necessity of entering liens for such claims, and repealing existing laws," is amended to read:

Recovery by action of assumpsit.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in addition to the remedies provided by law for the filing of liens for the collection of municipal claims, *including but not limited to water rates, sewer rates and the removal of nuisances*, all cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, and first class townships may proceed for the recovery and collection of [municipal] *all of the foregoing* claims by action of assumpsit against the person or persons who were the owner or owners of the property at the time of the completion of the improvement, *or at the time the water or sewer rates or the cost of the removal of nuisances first became payable* notwithstanding the fact that there was a failure on the part of any such city, borough, town or township, or its agents, to enter any such municipal claim as a lien against the property assessed for the improve-