

and perform all acts and functions necessary, which would enable the merged district to properly function on the date the merger is effected. If the electors do not assent to the merger, the same or revised plans may be submitted within five years in accordance with the foregoing procedure.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 12th day of September, A. D. 1961.

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No. 554

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," changing certain salaries and work loads, prescribing general extension education areas, decreasing the number of names needed for free extension education, raising the deposit fee and providing for a tuition fee in certain instances, deleting provisions relating to free evening schools, providing for payments on account of approved vocational extension classes, and making an appropriation.

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

Public School Code of 1949.

Section 1. Sections 1146, 1901 and 1902, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended August 19, 1953 (P. L. 1207), are amended to read:

Sections 1146, 1901 and 1902, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended August 19, 1953, P. L. 1207, further amended.

Section 1146. Part-time Teachers, etc.—The minimum salary of all part-time teachers, supervisors and principals shall be as follows:

(1) Special Education. Teachers having a certificate valid for the subjects in which the teacher is giving instruction, employed to teach children of exceptional physical or mental condition who are unable to attend a regular public school, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per hour.

(2) General Extension Education.

(a) Teachers, supervisors and directors of extension schools and classes holding a certificate valid for the subjects in which the teacher is giving instruction, [two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50)] *four dollars (\$4.00)* per hour.

(b) Teachers, leaders, supervisors and directors of extension recreation activities holding a certificate valid

for the subjects in which he is giving instruction, [two dollars (\$2.00)] *two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50)* per hour.

[(4) Whenever better qualified recreation teachers and leaders are not available, persons possessing either evidence of graduation from an approved four year high school or a maturity of not less than twenty (20) years and actual experience in a given field of recreation may be issued an emergency certificate for service in that field, the required minimum salary for whom shall be one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per hour.

(c) Teacher load.

(1) Ten (10) clock hours of service per week shall constitute the maximum teacher load for general extension teachers who are also concurrently engaged in full-time day-school teaching or other full-time employment;

(2) Thirty (30) clock-hours of service per week shall constitute the maximum teacher load for such teachers and leaders not otherwise concurrently employed.

(3) Vocational Extension Education.

(a) Teachers and supervisors in approved programs of vocational adult extension education, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per hour.

(b) All part-time teachers and supervisors in approved vocational extension education shall be limited to a maximum of ten (10) hours per week at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per hour. When hours in excess of ten (10) hours per week are assigned, the hourly rate shall be adjusted by the district to conform with the established schedule but shall be not less than one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) per hour.]

(c) Whenever better qualified recreation teachers and leaders are not available, persons possessing evidence of graduation from an approved four year high school and actual experience in a given field of recreation may be issued an emergency certificate for service in that field, the required minimum salary for whom shall be one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per hour.

(3) Teacher load.

(a) Ten (10) clock hours of service per week shall constitute the maximum teacher load for general extension teachers who are also concurrently engaged in full-time day-school teaching or other full-time employment.

(b) Thirty (30) clock hours of service per week shall constitute the maximum teacher load for such teachers not otherwise concurrently employed.

(4) Vocational Extension Education.

(a) *Teachers and supervisors in approved programs of vocational adult extension education, four dollars (\$4.00) per hour.*

(b) *All part-time teachers and supervisors in approved vocational extension education shall be limited to a maximum of ten (10) hours per week at the rate of four dollars (\$4.00) per hour. When hours in excess of ten (10) hours per week are assigned the hourly rate shall be adjusted by the district to conform with the established schedule but shall be not less than one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) per hour.*

(5) *Director load.*

(a) *Forty-eight (48) clock hours of service per week for fifty (50) weeks shall constitute the maximum load for full-time directors of extension education or recreation programs.*

(b) *Fifteen (15) clock hours of service per week shall constitute the maximum load for part-time directors of extension education or recreation programs who are concurrently engaged in full-time day-school teaching or other full-time employment the program shall maintain a minimum of twelve (12) classes or activities operating simultaneously.*

(c) *Forty-eight (48) clock hours of service per week shall constitute the maximum load for part-time directors not otherwise concurrently employed the program shall maintain a minimum of twelve (12) classes or activities operating simultaneously.*

Section 1901. *Scope of General Extension Education; 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 meaning:

[(1) "Extension] "*General extension education*" shall designate [any] *the instructional [service] and recreational services listed below that are provided and administered by the board of school directors of any school district [which is organized primarily for out-of-school youth and for adults or any recreational service which is so provided and administered for other youth and for children during out-of-school hours], but shall not include [the work of vocational schools] activities which are subsidized under the provisions of Federal enactment nor the coaching or supervision of inter-scholastic athletic teams or games.*

[(2) "Curricular course of study or activity" shall designate any subject of study or activity included in the programs of study of the regular elementary and secondary public day schools of the district.

(3) "Extra-curricular course of study" shall designate any elementary or secondary course of study not so included.]

The areas of "extension education" for which local school districts receive reimbursement from the Commonwealth, as provided in section 1146, shall be as follows:

(1) *General extension education credit courses, including*

(a) *Standard evening high school, and*

(b) *Summer schools (elementary and secondary).*

(2) *General extension education noncredit courses organized for classes in which eighty per cent (80%) of the pupils are out-of-school youth and adults, including*

(a) *Citizenship classes (education for immigrants, education for illiterates),*

(b) *Adult education for the blind (itinerant and class instruction, parent education for blind),*

(c) *Home nursing, home management, child care.*

(3) *Recreation, including*

Recreation activities for children and youth from the ages of six (6) to twenty-one (21).*

Section 1902. Permissive and Required Fee Extension Education.—The board of school directors of any school district may and upon written application, signed by [twenty] *fifteen* or more residents of such district above the age of sixteen years who are not in attendance at any public or private day school, shall provide free extension education for said applicants in any [curricular course of study so requested, or in English and citizenship for immigrants and native illiterates, or in parent education or in citizenship for adults, and may provide such other extra-curricular courses of study as said board may deem advisable. Any board of school directors may refuse to provide or continue such extension education whenever less than fifteen applicants are fitted to pursue with reasonable profit the course of study or activity requested.] *area listed in section 1901. The board of directors may close any class of the extension schools when the average attendance for any month falls below ten.*

Section 1903 of the act, amended May 9, 1949, P. L. 939, further amended.

Section 2. Section 1903 of the act, amended May 9, 1949 (P. L. 939), is amended to read:

Section 1903. When and Where Provided; Eligibility; Limitations.—Extension education shall be provided in school buildings at any time not in conflict

* "(a)" in original.

** "And" in original.

with regular day-school activities as requested by such applicants, and elsewhere at any hour during any day except Sunday or legal holidays which the board may deem advisable. [The board shall not be required to admit to said extension schools a person who is in actual full-time attendance at any public or private school during the day. The board of directors may close any class of the extension schools when the average attendance for any month falls below ten.]

Section 3. Sections 1904, 1905 and 1906 of the act are amended to read:

Sections 1904,
1905 and 1906
of the act,
amended

Section 1904. Deposit Fee.—Any board of school directors may require a deposit fee of a sum not to exceed [five dollars (\$5)] *seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50)* from each person enrolling in such extension schools or classes, and may require further that such deposit fees accompany each written application for such extension instruction. Such deposit fee shall be returned at the close of each term of instruction to all persons so enrolled who have attended seventy-five per cent (75%) or more of the class sessions of said term, and may be returned at any time because of death, sickness or for any other cause which the board may deem justifiable.

The board of school directors may require each student to pay a tuition fee for any adult education or recreation activity not listed in section 1901. The tuition fee shall be computed in accordance with section 2561 (4).

Section 1905. Certificate or Diploma.—All school credits derived from any curricular course of study in the [extension classes] *standard evening high school* of any district shall be accepted by the school authorities of that district toward fulfillment of the requirements for graduation from any curriculum of any day school of corresponding grade in that district. Upon the satisfactory completion in [extension classes] *the standard evening high school* of the curricular courses of study required for graduation from any curriculum of any school district by any person, such person shall be awarded the appropriate school certificate or diploma at the close of the then current school term.

Section 1906. Part of Public Schools; Standards.—[Extension] *General extension* education shall be an integral part of the public schools of the Commonwealth and of the districts in which it is organized. It shall be under the supervision of the superintendent of the county or of the district, as are other public schools of that district. The State Council of Education shall adopt standards for the qualifications and certification

of *General extension teachers and leaders, pre-approval of instructional budgets* and all other matters pertaining to *general extension education* not inconsistent with this act or other acts pertaining to the public schools of the Commonwealth.

Section 2507 of the act, amended June 1, 1956, P. L. 2018, further amended.

Section 4. Section 2507 of the act, amended June 1, 1956 (P. L. 2018), is amended to read:

Section 2507. Payments on Account of Approved Vocational Extension Classes.—Every school district and every vocational school district, regardless of classification, shall be paid by the Commonwealth for every school year, on account of approved vocational extension classes, eighty per cent (80%) of the sum which was expended by the district for the compensation of vocational extension teachers and supervisors. For the purpose of computing reimbursement, the maximum compensation shall be [two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50)] *four dollars (\$4.00)* per hour and the amount expended for supervisory salaries shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the sum expended for teachers' salaries: Provided, That in special cases when travel time or unusual preparation of instructional materials or other factors result in an inadequate compensation, the Department of Public Instruction may approve additional reimbursable employment time for such additional services upon the submission of adequate substantiative evidence from the responsible superintendent of schools.

Section 1921 of the act, repealed. Effective date.

Section 5. Section 1921 of the act is repealed.

Section 6. This act shall take effect July 2, 1962.

APPROVED—The 12th day of September, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 555

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 reimbursement in the year of acquisition for school building sites purchased in advance of their need and harmonizing provisions related thereto, and extending the provisions for reimbursement on preliminary payments on account of approved building construction to include the State Public School Building Authority and Municipal Authorities, and abolishing the cost limitations on school building projects for reimbursement purposes.