

No. 192

AN ACT

HB 1889

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 duty of making enumeration of school children.

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

Section 1. Section 1351, act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended July 27, 1953 (P.L.629), is amended to read:

Section 1351. Duty to Make; Penalty for Interfering.—The board of school directors of [any] *each* school district [**where an adequate continuing school census is maintained shall, between March first and September first, once in three years, commencing with the year one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, and the board of school directors in every school district where an adequate continuing school census is not maintained**] *shall maintain a continuing school census or in lieu thereof* shall, between March first and September first of each year, cause to be made by the attendance officers, teachers, or other persons employed for this purpose, a careful, correct, and accurate enumeration [**on census cards or in a substantial book or books provided by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, at the expense of the State, for that purpose,**] of all the children from birth to eighteen (18) years of age within their district, giving the full name, date of birth, age, sex, nationality, place of residence in such school district, name and address of parent or persons in parental relation, the name and location of the school where the child is enrolled or belongs, and the name and address of the employer of any child under eighteen (18) years of age who is engaged in any regular employment or service. In school districts of the first class, where the bureau of vital statistics of the city comprising the school district can supply the district with the number of live births during each year, the school district may limit its enumeration to children between the ages of five (5) and eighteen (18) years of age. Such enumeration shall be made by careful inquiry at the residence of each family in the district, *or by such other reliable means as will accomplish a complete and correct collection of information as specified herein concerning each child.* The person making such enumeration, upon completion thereof, shall make a proper oath or affirmation as to its correctness. Such enumeration shall also include the names and addresses of all persons, firms, or corporations, employing or accepting service from children under eighteen (18) years of age. The board of school directors in any school district shall have authority to cause

to be made an enumeration of all minors residing within the district, and the [Superintendent of Public Instruction] *Secretary of Education* may, at his discretion, require such enumeration.

If any person shall hinder or prevent, or attempt to hinder or prevent, any attendance officer or teacher, or other person, from performing any duty provided for in this section, he shall, on summary conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five dollars (\$5), or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five (5) days.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of July, A. D. 1970.

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The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 192.



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Secretary of the Commonwealth.