

No. 1978-28

AN ACT

HB 959

Amending the act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286, No.177), entitled, as amended, "An act to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of minors; By forbidding their employment or work in certain establishments and occupations, and under certain specified ages; by restricting their hours of labor, and regulating certain conditions of their employment; by requiring employment certificates for certain minors, and prescribing the kinds thereof, and the rules for the issuance, reissuance, filing, return, and recording of the same; by providing that the Industrial Board shall, under certain conditions, determine and declare whether certain occupations are within the prohibitions of this act; requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; providing for the enforcement of this act by the Secretary of Labor and Industry, the representative of school districts, and police officers; and defining the procedure in prosecutions thereunder, and establishing certain presumptions in relation thereto; providing for the issuance of special permits for minors engaging in the entertainment and related fields; providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," eliminating the requirement of a physical examination to obtain a reissuance of an employment certificate.

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

Section 1. Section 17, act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286, No.177), known as the "Child Labor Law," amended August 23, 1961 (P.L.1107, No.494) is amended to read:

Section 17. It shall be the duty of every person who shall employ any minor under eighteen years of age to acknowledge, in writing, to the official issuing the same, the receipt of the employment certificate of said minor, within five days after the beginning of such employment. On termination of the employment of a minor under eighteen years of age, the employment certificate issued for such minor shall be returned by mail, by the employer, to the official issuing the same, immediately upon demand of the minor for whom the certificate was issued, or otherwise, within five days after termination of said employment. The official to whom said certificate is so returned shall file said certificate and preserve the same. Any minor whose employment certificate has been returned, as above provided, shall be entitled to a new employment certificate upon presentation of a statement from the prospective employer, as hereinabove provided [**accompanied by a certificate of physical fitness, issued in the manner hereinabove provided and based upon a reexamination of said minor, and certifying that the minor is physically able to undertake the work for which the new employment certificate is to be issued**].

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 18th day of April, A. D. 1978.

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