

No. 1978-183

AN ACT

HB 2232

Amending the act of May 25, 1921 (P.L.1144, No.425), entitled "An act creating a Department of Public Welfare; defining its powers and duties; abolishing the Board of Public Charities, the Committee on Lunacy, and the Prison Labor Commission, and all offices thereunder, and vesting all the powers of said board, committee, and commission in the Department of Public Welfare; requiring all reports, notices, statements, or matters, heretofore required to be made, given, or submitted to the Board of Public Charities or the Committee on Lunacy, to be made, given, or submitted to the Department of Public Welfare; and providing penalties," providing for equal rights between parents.

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

Section 1. Section 10, act of May 25, 1921 (P.L.1144, No.425), entitled "An act creating a Department of Public Welfare; defining its powers and duties; abolishing the Board of Public Charities, the Committee on Lunacy, and the Prison Labor Commission, and all offices thereunder, and vesting all the powers of said board, committee, and commission in the Department of Public Welfare; requiring all reports, notices, statements, or matters, heretofore required to be made, given, or submitted to the Board of Public Charities or the Committee on Lunacy, to be made, given, or submitted to the Department of Public Welfare; and providing penalties," is amended to read:

Section 10. In addition to the foregoing, the department shall also exercise supervision over:

(a) The administration of any system provided by the Commonwealth for assistance to **[mothers] parents**.

(b) Any labor or system of labor carried on in the penal, correctional, or reformatory institutions of the State.

(c) Any system of reparation provided by the Commonwealth for relief from conditions caused by minecaves, fire, flood or other casualty, and constituting a menace to public safety and welfare.

Section 2. This act shall take effect 60 days.

APPROVED—The 4th day of October, A. D. 1978.

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