

No. 1989-103

AN ACT

HB 810

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), 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," prohibiting the possession by students of telephone paging devices.

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

Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 1317.1. Possession of Telephone Pagers Prohibited.—(a) *The possession by students of telephone paging devices, commonly referred to as beepers, shall be prohibited on school grounds, at school sponsored activities and on buses or other vehicles provided by the school district.*

(b) *The prohibition contained in subsection (a) shall not apply in the following cases, provided that the school authorities approve of the presence of the beeper in each case:*

(1) *A student who is a member of a volunteer fire company, ambulance or rescue squad.*

(2) *A student who has a need for a beeper due to the medical condition of an immediate family member.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of December, A. D. 1989.

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