

No. 287

AN ACT

To amend the act, approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws 184, Number 146), entitled "An act to further remove the disability of a wife in testifying in cases where the husband is a party," by making husband competent witness in rebuttal under certain circumstances.

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

Husband
and wife.

Section 1. Section 1 of the act, approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws 184, Number 146), entitled "An act to further remove the disability of a wife in testifying in cases where the husband is a party," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1, act of
May 8, 1907,
P. L. 184 (No.
146), amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in all civil actions brought by *either* the husband *or* wife, *either the husband* or the wife shall be a competent witness in rebuttal, when *his or* her character or conduct is attacked upon the trial thereof, but only in regard to the matter of *his or* her character or conduct.

When competent
witnesses against
each other.

APPROVED—The 19th day of August, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 288

AN ACT

To amend Article V of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," by authorizing boards of school directors and boards of public education to pay the compensation of professional employes employed as exchange teachers.

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

"Public School
Code of 1949."

Section 1. Article V of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," is hereby amended by adding, at the end thereof, the following new section:

Article V, act of
March 10, 1949,
P. L. 30,
amended by add-
ing, at end
thereof, a new
section num-
bered 522.

Section 522. Payments of Salaries of Professional Employes Granted Leaves of Absence as Exchange Teachers Authorized.—Any board of public education

or board of school directors of any school district or vocational school district of this Commonwealth is hereby authorized to pay any professional employe the salary he would be entitled to if teaching in the school district from which he is granted a leave of absence to serve as an exchange teacher in any foreign country or territory or possession of the United States of America.

Any professional employe, while on leave as an exchange teacher, shall be considered to be in regular full-time daily attendance in the position from which the leave was granted, during the period of said leave, for the purpose of determining the employe's length of service credit toward the time necessary for a sabbatical leave, the right to receive increments as provided by law, and the right to make contributions as a member of the School Employes' Retirement Fund and continue his or her membership therein.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 19th day of August, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 289

AN ACT

To further amend section 2502 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," by limiting the districts entitled to supplemental payments by the Commonwealth on account of pupils in joint schools or in union or merged districts.

"Public School Code of 1949."

Section 2502, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, as last amended by act of December 27, 1951, P. L. 1783, further amended.

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

Section 1. Section 2502 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-seventh day of December, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1783), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 2502. Payments on Account of Instruction.—
(a) Every school district and every vocational school district shall be paid by the Commonwealth on account of the instruction of all pupils in average daily member-