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Charters, etc.	For recording charters or limited partnerships of not more than four legal cap typewritten pages, the minimum fee shall be [three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50)] <i>four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50)</i> ; and [fifty cents (50¢)] <i>seventy-five cents (75¢)</i> for each additional page or fractional part thereof.
Bank bonds.	For recording bank bonds, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).
Services not specifically provided for.	The fee for services not herein specifically provided for shall be the same as for similar services.
Act effective immediately.	Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 17th day of February, A. D. 1956.

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No. 340

AN ACT

Amending the act of March ten, 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," granting the right to a hearing and appeal before the State Council of Education on the creation or change of a third or fourth class school district.

Public School Code of 1949.

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

Section 228, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended May 11, 1949, P. L. 1089, further amended.

Section 1. Section two hundred twenty-eight, act of March ten, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended May eleven, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1089), is amended to read:

Section 228. Approval or Disapproval of Creation or Change of *Third or Fourth Class Districts*.—(a) If the newly created city, borough, or township, or independent school district, or union school district, or the part of a school district remaining after the separation would constitute a school district of the third or fourth class, the receipt of said certified copy shall be deemed an application for the creation of a new school district of the third or fourth class or change in the boundaries

of an existing school district of the third or fourth class, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall, within sixty days thereafter, cause the State Council of Education to be convened. The council shall [thereupon consider such application and] *fix a time and place for hearing the application, notice of which hearing shall be sent to the school districts which will be affected by the council's decision. At the hearing, the proper officials of, or the counsel for, the districts shall present to the council the reasons for approval or disapproval of the application, and the council shall then determine whether such new school district, or independent school district, or union school district, or change in the boundaries of an existing school district of the third or fourth class, is desirable, and whether the welfare of the pupils within the territory affected thereby will be promoted by the creation of such district or change in the boundaries of such existing district.*

(b) If the council shall approve such application, it shall certify its findings and its approval of such new district or change in such existing district thereon, and transmit a certified copy thereof to the clerk of the courts or other proper officer from whom the application was received, who shall file the same in such original proceedings, whereupon the new city, borough, or township will become a new school district of the third or fourth class, or the school district of the third or fourth class remaining after such annexation shall constitute a separate school district as so changed.

(c) If, in the judgment of the council, the application should not be granted, it shall endorse thereon "not approved," and transmit a certified copy thereof to the clerk of the courts or other proper officer from whom the application was received, who shall file the same in the original proceedings. In such event, the boundaries of the existing school districts shall remain unchanged: Provided, The State Council of Education may, for cause shown, upon subsequent application by ten taxables of a school district of the third or fourth class not coterminous with a city, borough, incorporated town, or township, vacate such refusal, and may approve the creation of such new district of the third or fourth class or change in boundaries of an existing district of the third or fourth class, and thereupon the same proceedings shall be had as herein provided upon the original application and with like effect.

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