

for services rendered not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100), which allowance of compensation shall be a charge upon the county in which the indictment in the action is found, to be paid by the county treasurer upon the certificate of the judge presiding at the trial of the case: Provided, That in order to be entitled to such compensation counsel so assigned must file with the judge sitting at the trial of the case an affidavit that he has not, directly or indirectly, received nor entered into a contract to receive any compensation for such services from any sources other than herein provided.

APPROVED—The 16th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 526

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 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," further providing for the payments by the Commonwealth on account of courses for handicapped children.

Public School
Code of 1949.

Section 2509,
act of March 10,
1949, P. L. 30,
amended August
21, 1953, P. L.
1376, further
amended.

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

Section 1. Section 2509, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended August 21, 1953 (P. L. 1376), is amended to read:

Section 2509. Payments on Account of Courses for Handicapped Children.—*Annually, before the first day of July, every school district or joint board of school directors planning to conduct classes or schools for the handicapped shall submit, for prior review and approval to establish the amount on which reimbursement will be paid by the Department of Public Instruction, an estimate of the cost of classes or schools for handicapped children to be operated by the district or joint board during the ensuing school year, and for transportation of pupils to and from classes and schools for handicapped conducted by the district or joint board of school directors.* Every school district, regardless of classification, shall be paid by the Commonwealth for the school term 1953-1954, the sum of twenty dollars (\$20) per pupil in average daily membership in a course or courses for mentally handicapped children, and the sum of thirty dollars (\$30) per pupil in average daily membership in a course or courses for physically handicapped children, approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Beginning with the school term of 1954-1955 and for

every school term thereafter, every school district, regardless of classification, shall be paid by the Commonwealth an amount to be determined by multiplying the average daily membership in a course or courses for mentally or physically handicapped children, (1) at the elementary level, by an amount determined by subtracting the "instruction cost per elementary pupil," as defined in section 2561 of this act, from the "instruction cost per special class pupil," as hereinafter defined, for the preceding school term, *or from the instruction cost per special class elementary pupil as approved for reimbursement by the Department of Public Instruction in the budget for classes or schools for handicapped children for the school year in which the class is operated, whichever is the lesser*, (2) at the secondary level, by an amount determined by subtracting the "instruction cost per high school pupil," as defined in section 2561 of this act, from the "instruction cost per special class pupil," as hereinafter defined, for the preceding school term, *or from the instruction cost per special class secondary pupil as approved for reimbursement by the Department of Public Instruction in the budget for classes or schools for handicapped children for the school year in which the class is operated, whichever is the lesser*.

To find the "instruction cost per special class pupil," add (1) salaries of directors and supervisors of special education, public school psychologists, principals of special schools and assistants, teachers of approved special classes for physically and mentally handicapped children, clerks and assistants employed in the district's program for special education, (2) the district's contribution to the retirement fund on behalf of directors and supervisors of special education, public school psychologists, principals of special schools and assistants, teachers of approved special classes for physically and mentally handicapped children, clerks and assistants employed in the district's program for special education, (3) the cost of textbooks and supplies of the second class used in the district's special education classes or schools. Divide the sum of (1), (2) and (3) *on that part thereof which is approved by the Department of Public Instruction for reimbursement* by the total number of pupils in average daily membership in the district's approved special classes for physically and mentally handicapped children. The quotient so obtained shall be the "instruction cost per special class pupil."

The average daily membership of speech correction classes shall be calculated by multiplying (1) the average number of pupils in speech correction classes per week by (2) the number of periods per week that speech correction is provided for the individual pupil by (3)

the number of minutes per period in speech correction class. Divide the product of (1), (2) and (3) by the total number of minutes spent in all classes weekly by the average pupil. The quotient thus obtained will be the "average daily membership for pupils in speech correction classes."

APPROVED—The 16th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 527

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing the reassessment of property in certain cases and imposing liability for county taxes upon the owners thereof.

The County Code.

Act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended by adding a new section 1770.1.

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

Section 1. The act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended by adding, after section 1770, a new section to read:

Section 1770.1. Additions and Revisions to Duplicates.—Whenever in any county there is any construction of a building or buildings after September first of any year and such building is not included in the tax duplicate of the county, the authority responsible for assessments in the county shall, upon the request of the board of county commissioners, cause to be inspected and reassessed, subject to the right of appeal and adjustment provided by the act of Assembly under which assessments are made, all taxable property in the county to which major improvements have been made after September first, and to give notice of such reassessments within ten days to the authority responsible for assessments, the county commissioners and the property owner. Such property shall then be added to the duplicate and shall be taxable for county purposes at the reassessed valuation for that proportionate part of the fiscal year of the county remaining after the property was improved. Any improvement made during the month shall be computed as having been made on the first of the month. A certified copy of the additions or revisions to the duplicate shall be furnished by the board of county commissioners to the proper tax collector for the county and, within ten days thereafter, the tax collector shall notify the owner of the property of the taxes due the county.

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