Pennsylvania, or the same county in which such cities are, or by any subdivision of such counties, then such pension board of said cities of the second class shall not have [, and is hereby given,] the authority to suspend the pension payments to such pensioner during the period of such employment.

Validation of past payments.

Section 2. All payments heretofore made to pensioners pursuant to the act of May 28, 1915 (P. L. 596), while such pensioners were employed by the government of the United States, or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any county of the second class, or any subdivision of any such county of the second class, except a city of the second class, are hereby validated and confirmed irrespective of the provisions of section 14, act of May 28, 1915 (P. L. 596), as added April 26, 1933 (P. L. 81), or any legislation previous thereto which provided for suspension of such payments from the fund to the pensioners while employed in the service of such governments.

Approved—The 21st day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

### No. 574

## AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of Public Welfare, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of the Hollidaysburg State Hospital, to contract with the Borough of Hollidaysburg and the Hollidaysburg Sewer Authority for improvements and extensions to the sewerage collection system and treatment plant and the use thereof by the Hollidaysburg State Hospital, and the payment of part of the cost and maintenance thereafter, and making an appropriation.

Department of Public Welfare. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Department of Public Welfare authorized to contract with Hollidaysburg Sewer Authority for connection and use of sewerage collection system by Hollidaysburg State Hospital.

Section 1. The Department of Public Welfare, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of the Hollidaysburg State Hospital, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Borough of Hollidaysburg and the Hollidaysburg Sewer Authority for improvements and extensions to the sewerage collection system and treatment plant and for the connection therewith and the use thereof by the Hollidaysburg State Hospital, and for the future payment by the Commonwealth of a proportionate part of the cost of maintenance of such sewage disposal plant.

Section 2. The sum of one hundred thirty-four Appropriation. thousand dollars (\$134,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Public Welfare for the payment of the Common-wealth's share of the cost of the improvements and extensions of such sewage disposal plant.

This act shall take effect immediately. Section 3.

Act effective immediately.

Approved—The 21st day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

# No. 575

#### 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," authorizing payments to joint school boards and joint school committees by the Commonwealth.

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

Public School Code of 1949.

Section 1. Article XXV., act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School code of 1949," is amended by adding, at the end thereof, a new subdivision to read:

Article XXV., act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended by adding a new subdivision (g).

# (g) Payments to Joint School Boards or Joint School Committees

Section 2585. Payments to Joint School Boards or Joint School Committees.—Whenever a joint school board or a joint school committee, or any of its officers or employes, renders any service or performs any act, function or duty for which school districts are entitled to receive payments authorized by this article, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its departments authorized by this article to make payments to school districts, may, upon request of the school districts which have established the joint school board or joint school committee, and the submission of information and reports otherwise required by this article to be filed or presented to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its departments or to the officer who heads any such department, \* make the payments directly to the joint school board or joint school committee in lieu of making the payments to the school districts which have established the joint school board or joint school com-

<sup>• &</sup>quot;may" in original.