weight allowed except as herein provided for special permits.

Penalty.—Any operator who shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with the requirements of a peace officer given pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days. In addition to the foregoing penalty, the secretary may suspend the operating privilege of the operator for a period of thirty (30) days: Provided, however, That any person while operating a tractor, who refuses to unload excess weight when so ordered, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof. shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) davs.

Effective date.

Section 8. This act shall become effective July 1, 1959.

Approved—The 17th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 700

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," changing the provisions relating to the reading of the Bible in public schools.

Public School Code of 1949. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1516, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended May 9. 1949, P. L. 939, further amended.

Section 1. Section 1516, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended May 9, 1949 (P. L. 939), is amended to read:

Section 1516. Bible [to Be Read] Reading in Public's Schools.—At least ten verses from the Holy Bible shall be read, [or caused to be read,] without comment, at the opening of each public school on each school day [, by the teacher in charge: Provided, That where any teacher has other teachers under and subject to direction, then the teacher exercising such authority shall read the Holy Bible, or cause it to be read, as herein directed.

If any school teacher, whose duty it shall be to read the Holy Bible, or cause it to be read, shall fail or omit so to do, said school teacher shall, upon charges preferred for such failure or omission, and proof of the same, before the board of school directors of the school district, be discharged]. Any child shall be excused from such Bible reading, or attending such Bible reading, upon the written request of his parent or guardian.

Approved—The 17th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 701

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 350), entitled "An act relating to the retirement of public school employes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," providing for the purchase of credit for service in summer schools prior to membership in the retirement system; changing the income limitation for disability annuitants; and requiring school employes who are members of the General Assembly to give notice of election in certain cases.

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

Section 1. The act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 350), known as the "Public School Employes' Retirement Code of 1959," is amended by adding, after section 207, a new section to read:

Public School Employes' Retirement Code of 1959.

Act of June 1, 1959, P. L. 350, amended by adding a new section 207.1.

Section 207.1. Credit for Service in Summer Schools Prior to Membership in the Retirement System.—Any present or future contributor who, prior to becoming eligible to join the retirement system, was employed to teach in summer schools conducted by school districts of the Commonwealth shall receive credit for one year of service for each thirty-six weeks of such employment: Provided, That he makes application according to the provisions of article V. section 505 subsection (3.1), and makes back contributions according to the provisions of article III. of section 302 subsection (5.1).

Section 2. Section 302 of the act is amended by adding, after subsection (5), a new subsection to read:

Section 302. Members' Contributions on Account of Past Service.—

Section 302 of the act, amended by adding a new subsection (5.1).

(5.1) Any school employe entitled to credit under the provisions of article II. section 207.1 shall pay into the retirement fund an amount determined by multiplying the annual compensation for the school year during which he became a member of the retirement system by