

(c) The Department of Public [Assistance] *Welfare* shall have power and authority to make and enforce rules and regulations.

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APPROVED—The 15th day of June, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

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No. 215

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," providing for the retention of seniority upon a merger, jointure or union of districts.

Public School  
Code of 1949.

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

Subsection (b),  
section 1125, act  
of March 10,  
1949, P. L. 30,  
amended August  
10, 1951, P. L.  
1157, further  
amended.

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 1125, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended August 10, 1951 (P. L. 1157), is amended to read:

Section 1125. Suspensions and Reinstatements; How Made.—

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(b) In cases in which suspensions are to be made, professional employes shall be retained on the basis of seniority rights, acquired within the school district of current employment, where no differences in rating are found. Seniority rights shall also prevail where there is no substantial difference in rating. In cases where there are substantial differences in rating of those under consideration for suspension, seniority shall be given consideration in accordance with principles and standards of weighting incorporated in the rating cards. *Where there is a merger, jointure or union district formed, all professional employes shall retain the seniority rights they had at the time of such merger, jointure or union.*

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