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

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

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

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:

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.-

(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 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.

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

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 216

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; amend-

Subsection (b), section 1125, act

of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended August 10, 1951, P. L. 1157, further amended.

ing, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing indebtedness of school districts and insured deposits to be used in lieu of bonds or securities which are required to be deposited by school depositories.

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

Public School Code of 1949.

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 622, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended July 5, 1957 (P. L. 508), is amended to read:

Subsection (b), section 622, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended July 5, 1957, P. L. 508, further amended.

Section 622. Collateral in Lieu of Bond.—

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(b) When collateral security is thus deposited in lieu of one or more surety bonds, the total amount of such bonds and obligations thus deposited, measured by their actual market value, less the total indebtedness of the school district to the depository and any amount that is insured under the provisions of section 623, shall be equal to the amount of the deposits secured and twenty per centum in addition. All such bonds and obligations shall be accompanied by a proper assignment or power of attorney for their transfer. Such trust deposit, in the event of any depreciation in value, shall be maintained, on request in writing of the board of school directors, at the amount provided herein.

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

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 217

AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, to sell and convey 98.918 acres, more or less, of land situate in Kilbuck Township, Allegheny County.

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

Section 1. The Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby authorized on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to sell, at public sale to the highest bidder, the following described tract of land in the Township of Kilbuck, County of Allegheny and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Beginning at a point on the northerly line of the Ohio River Boulevard, as now established by Plan approved by the Governor of Pennsylvania, October 7, 1954, at dividing line between land of Dixmont State Hospital and land, now or formerly, of Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne

Real property.

Department of Property and Supplies, with approval of Governor, authorized to sell certain land in Kilbuck Township, Allegheny County. Description.