No. 374

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 28, 1903 (P. L. 332), entitled "An act for the annexation of any city, borough, township, or part of a township, to a contiguous city, and providing for the indebtedness of the same," transferring duties from State Council of Education to Council of Basic Education.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn-

sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Annexation of city, borough, or township to contiguous city.

Section 5, act of April 28, 1903, P. L. 332, amended April 7, 1927, P. L. 161, further amended.

Decree.

Proviso.

Approval.

New petition after dismissal.

Proviso.

No new election within two years.

Act effective immediately. Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of August, A. D. 1963.

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No. 375

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, changing State compensation of former school employes.

Section 1. Section 5, act of April 28, 1903 (P. L. 332), entitled "An act for the annexation of any city, borough, township, or part of a township, to a contiguous city, and providing for the indebtedness of the same," amended April 7, 1927 (P. L. 161), is amended to read:

Section 5. If it shall appear by the vote when counted that a majority has voted for annexation, the court shall enter a decree accordingly; otherwise the proceedings shall be dismissed: Provided, however, That in proceedings for the annexation of part of a township no decree of annexation shall be entered until the [State] Council of Basic Education, after due inquiry into the consequent effect upon the school districts affected, shall approve in writing of the proposed annexation. In case the proceedings shall be dismissed, no petitions from that city, borough, township, or part of a township, shall thereafter be presented unless signed by twenty per centum of the qualified voters thereof, as shown by the registry lists for the last preceding general election; and the court shall exercise its discretion as to allowing such petitions to be filed: Provided, however, That should the court permit such petition to be filed, no election shall be ordered to be held within two years from the date of the former election on such annexation. If in such case the court allows the petition to be filed, the proceedings shall be as herein provided for on the first petition.