No. 47

AN ACT

HB 433

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," requiring tuberculosis tests for teachers, school employes and certain other persons.

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

Section 1. Section 1418, act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," added July 15, 1957 (P.L.937), is amended to read:

Section 1418. Medical Examinations of Teachers and Other [School Employes] Persons.—(a) All teachers, janitors, cooks and other cafeteria help and all others employed at schools shall be required to take a pre-employment medical examination, the results of which shall be recorded on forms prescribed by the Secretary of Health and shall be made available to the employing authorities.

- (b) Each teacher [and], any other school employe and any person providing services for school children under contract shall be given [a chest X-ray by a medical technician every two years] tests for tuberculosis in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Advisory Health Board. Each student teacher and volunteer participating in student activities shall be given the same tests for tuberculosis, but no person shall be required to submit to a particular test if he shall furnish a statement setting forth adequate reasons for being excused from taking the test. In such case, an alternative method of testing shall be administered.
- (c) School boards may require a special medical examination for any school employe at any time.
- (d) Medical examinations shall be made by the school physician of the district if provision therefor is made by the district or joint school board or by a physician of the employe's own choice legally qualified to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathy or osteopathic surgery in the Commonwealth.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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APPROVED—The 14th day of July, A. D. 1971.

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The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 47.

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Secretary of the Commonwealth.