

Section 8. Federal Official Documents; Federal Register; Printed Copies.—The official records and other documents, being enactments, or regulations, or decisions, or rulings, or proceedings, or reports, or other official acts of Congress, or any Federal executive department or subdivision therein, or of any Federal court, or commission, or board, or agency, or public institution, may be evidenced by the Federal Register, or by a printed book, or pamphlet, or periodical, purporting to be published by the Government Printing Office by authority.

Section 9. Repeal.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 24th day of May, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

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No. 88

AN ACT

To amend the title and the act, approved the sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 164), entitled "An act authorizing and empowering minors seventeen years of age, or older, to contract for and to make loans in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress, known as the "Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944," or any agency of the Commonwealth hereafter created, and saving and relieving the parents, guardians, and trustees of such minors from any liability therefor, unless joining therein," empowering minor spouses, irrespective of age, to join in the execution of such contracts, whether or not the principal is a minor; and validating the actions of minor spouses of adults in heretofore joining in the execution of any such contracts.

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

\* Section 1. The title of the act, approved the sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 164), entitled "An act authorizing and empowering minors seventeen years of age, or older, to contract for and to make loans in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress, known as the "Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944," or any agency of the Commonwealth hereafter created, and saving and relieving the parents, guardians, and trustees of such minors from any liability therefor, unless joining therein, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Title, act of April 6, 1945, P. L. 164, amended.

AN ACT

Amended title.

Authorizing and empowering minors seventeen years of age, or older, to contract for and to make loans in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress,

known as the "Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944," or any agency of the Commonwealth hereafter created, and minor spouses, irrespective of age, to join in the execution of such contracts; prohibiting the disaffirmance of such contracts, whether or not the principal is a minor, on the grounds of minority; and saving and relieving the parents, guardians, and trustees of such minors from any liability therefor, unless joining therein.

Section 1, said act, as amended by act of June 28, 1947. P. L. 1069, further amended.

Minors, at least 17 years of age, empowered to contract under "Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944."

Minor spouse of such person, irrespective of age, empowered to join in execution of certain contracts.

Such persons estopped from avoiding contract because of their age.

Estoppel to interpose defense of minority.

Parents, guardians or trustees of such minors not liable unless expressly parties to such contracts.

Section 2. Section 1 of said act, as amended by the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1069), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Any minor, who is at least seventeen years of age, and who is eligible for guaranty or insurance of a loan pursuant to the act of Congress known as the "Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944," as amended and supplemented, is hereby authorized and empowered, notwithstanding such minority, to enter into any contract in this Commonwealth, for any loan, or loans guaranteed by the United States, or any agency thereof, in accordance with the provisions of said act of Congress, as amended and supplemented, and the rules and regulations promulgated from time to time pursuant thereto; or any agency of the Commonwealth hereafter created; and such minor is also authorized and empowered to execute, and acknowledge, all documents, deeds, mortgages, and other or similar papers, necessary and incident to such contracts. The minor spouse [of any such minor, irrespective of age,] *of any person who is eligible for guaranty or insurance of a loan pursuant to said act of Congress, whether or not such person is a minor and regardless of the age of the spouse,* is hereby authorized and empowered, notwithstanding such minority, to join in the execution of any such contract. In the event [such a minor] *a person who is eligible for guaranty or insurance of a loan pursuant to said act of Congress, and who is a minor or whose spouse is a minor, or both,* obtains such a loan, or loans, neither [he nor his minor spouse,] *of them,* despite any law or decision of any court to the contrary, shall be permitted to avoid the contract of such loan or loans because of [his] *the age of either of them,* nor shall [he] *either of them* be permitted to interpose the defense that [he] *either of them* is a minor in any action or actions based upon such contract, or contracts, or arising out of any loan or loans authorized herein; nor shall the \*parent or parents, or guardian or guardians, or trustee or trustees of [such] *any* minor be liable in any way whatsoever because of or

\* "parents" in original.

on account of such contract or contracts, or loan or loans, which may be entered into *or joined in* by such minor pursuant hereto, unless expressly a party thereto.

Section 3. Whenever heretofore any minor spouse of any person eligible for guaranty \*or insurance of a loan pursuant to the act of Congress known as the "Service-men's Readjustment Act of 1944" and its amendments and supplements has joined in the execution of any such contract, loan, or other papers necessary and incident thereto, such joinder is hereby validated for all purposes, subject to the prohibition that no such contract or loan may be avoided, nor may the defense of minority be interposed as a defense, in any action based on any such contract or arising out of any such loan.

Section 4. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Actions of minor spouses of such persons in heretofore joining in the execution of any such contracts validated, under certain conditions.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 24th day of May, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

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No. 89

AN ACT

To amend the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," by regulating the authority of school districts to purchase supplies, and to perform and contract for construction, reconstruction, repairs and work of any nature.

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

Section 1. Section 751 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 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," as amended by the act, approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 459), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 751. Work to be Done Under Contract Let on Bids; Exception.—(a) All construction, reconstruction, repairs, or work of any nature, including the introduction of *plumbing*, heating, ventilating, or lighting systems, upon any school building or upon any school property, made by any school district, where the entire cost, value, or amount of such construction, reconstruc-

"Public School Code of 1949."

Section 751, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, as amended by act of April 14, 1949, P. L. 459, further amended.

\* "of" in original.