

Posting.

tered mail upon the terre tenant, if any. If such notice cannot be served in said manner on the owner or terre tenant, then such notice shall be served by the county treasurer by posting the same in the courthouse and at a conspicuous place on the premises. [No] *If notice was mailed as herein required, no such sale shall be prejudiced or defeated and no title to property sold at such sale shall be invalidated by proof that such written notice was not received by the owner or terre tenant as herein provided.*

Costs.

The cost of such advertisements, notices and the service thereof shall be taxed as part of the cost of such proceedings and shall be paid the same as the other costs.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 222

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," extending provisions for enforcement of duties of school directors to joint school situations, extending the area in which school directors may attend meetings, providing for attendance of school directors at national school boards conventions.

Public School
Code of 1949.

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

Sections 318 and
319, act of
March 10, 1949,
P. L. 30,
amended.

Section 1. Sections 318 and 319, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," are amended to read:

Section 318. Removal for Failure to Organize or Neglect of Duty.—If the board of school directors in any district [shall] (1) fail to organize as hereafter provided, or (2) refuse or neglect to perform any duty imposed upon it by the provisions of this act relating to school districts, or (3) being a party to a joint board agreement refuse or neglect to perform any duty imposed upon it by the provisions of this act relating to joint boards or by the joint board agreement, any ten resident taxpayers in the district may present their petition in writing, verified by the oath or affirmation of at least three of them, to the court of common pleas of the county in which such district, or the largest part in area of it, is located, setting forth the facts of such refusal or neglect of duty on the part of such school directors. The court shall grant a rule upon the school directors, returnable in not less than ten or more than twenty days

from the date of issue thereof, to show cause why they should not be removed from office. The school directors shall have at least five days' notice of the granting of the rule. On or before the return day of the rule the school directors, individually or jointly, shall file in writing their answer or answers to the petition, under oath. If the facts set forth in the petition, or any material part thereof, is denied, the court shall hear the several parties on such matters as are contained in the petition. If on such hearing, or if when no answer is filed denying the facts *set forth in the petition, the court shall be of the opinion that any duty imposed on the board of school directors, which is by the provisions of this act made mandatory upon them to perform, has not been done or has been neglected by them, the court shall have power to remove the board, or such of its number as in its opinion is proper, and appoint for the unexpired terms other qualified persons in their stead, subject to the provisions of this act.

The court shall impose the cost of such proceedings upon the petitioners, or upon the school directors, or upon the school district, or may apportion the same among them as it shall deem just and proper.

Any person so removed from the office of school director shall not be eligible again as school director for the period of five (5) years thereafter.

Section 319. Vacancy where Director Fails to Qualify or Attend Meetings.—If any person elected or appointed as school director, who has been notified of his election or appointment, shall refuse or neglect to **qualify as such director, within ten days next succeeding the beginning of his term of office, the remaining members of the board may declare his office as director vacant.

If any person having qualified as school director *and any qualified school director who is a member of a joint board or who is selected as a member of a joint school committee or who is a member of a joint school committee by virtue of the provisions of a joint board agreement* shall neglect or refuse to attend two successive regular meetings of the school board, joint board or joint school committee, unless detained by sickness, or prevented by necessary absence from the district, or if in attendance at any meetings shall neglect or refuse to act in his official capacity as a school director, the remaining members of the board may declare his office as director vacant.

* "sets" in original.

** "qualify" in original.

Section 516.1 of the act, amended February 14, 1956, P. L. 1041, further amended.

Section 2. Section 516.1 of the act, amended February 14, 1956 (P. L. 1041), is amended to read:

Section 516.1. Expenses for Attendance at Meetings of Educational or Financial Advantage to District.—When, in the opinion of the board of school directors, attendance of one or more of its members [on] at any meeting held within the Commonwealth [or within six hundred (600) miles of the boundary thereof] (other than annual State and county conventions of school directors and meetings called by the county superintendent) *or not more than two of its members at the annual convention of the National School Boards Association* will be of educational or financial advantage to the district, it may authorize the attendance of one or more of its members at such meeting *within the Commonwealth and of not more than two members at the annual convention of the National School Boards Association, wherever held*, not exceeding two meetings in any one school year. Each person so authorized to attend and attending shall be reimbursed for all expenses actually and necessarily incurred in going to, attending and returning from the place of such meeting, but not exceeding twelve dollars (\$12) per day, together with mileage at the rate of seven cents (\$.07) for each mile in going to and returning from each meeting. Such expenses shall be paid by the treasurer of the school district in the usual manner out of the funds of the district, upon presentation of an itemized verified statement of such expenses.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 223

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," permitting elections of district or associate superintendents at any time in districts having no superintendent, and removing certain limitations.

Public School Code of 1949.

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

Section 1074, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended September 29, 1951, P. L. 1572, further amended.

Section 1. Section 1074, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended September 29, 1951 (P. L. 1572), is amended to read:

Section 1074. Districts Having no Superintendent.—Any school district of the second class having no district