

*a water meter, the Authority may install such a meter at its own cost and expense: Provided, however, That if the property is supplied with water from the facilities of a public water supply agency, the authority shall not install such meter without the consent and approval of the public water supply agency.*

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APPROVED—The 30th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 577

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 creation of capital reserve funds, regulating the use of such funds, and authorizing the levying of taxes.

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

Public School  
Code of 1949.

Section 1. Article VI., act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," is amended by adding, at the end, a new subdivision to read:

Article VI., act  
of March 10,  
1949, P. L. 30,  
amended by add-  
ing a new sub-  
division (f).

*(f) Capital Reserve Fund for School Building Project Programs Approved by the Department of Public Instruction.*

*Section 690. Creation of Capital Reserve Fund for Approved School Building Project Programs.—Any school district shall have the power to create a special fund, which may be designated as a Capital Reserve Fund, and to accumulate therein moneys to be expended, in accordance with the provisions of this act, during a period not to exceed five years from the date when the first payment was made into the fund, for the purpose of constructing a school building project or projects under a long-term project program approved by the Department of Public Instruction. The proposed project program may include the cost of acquiring suitable sites for school buildings, the cost of constructing new school buildings, or the cost of providing needed additions or alterations to existing buildings. The Department of Public Instruction may approve any project programs if it shall find in the case of all school districts, except school districts of the first class, first class A and second class which are not part of a county-wide plan, that each component of the proposed project program is in conformity to county-wide plans prepared by the county*

board of school directors and approved by the State Council of Education for the orderly development of improved attendance areas and administrative units and for the improved housing of public schools in the Commonwealth and in the case of all school districts, that the building or buildings will conform to standards and regulations prescribed by the department with respect to educational and architectural design, building materials, fixtures and equipment, location, usefulness for community activities, safety, comfort and convenience and that the school district will have the ability to meet from current revenues the rental or sinking fund charge which may be necessary to amortize that portion of the cost of the proposed project or projects which is not covered by anticipated accumulation of money in the district's capital reserve fund. Moneys accumulated in the district's capital reserve fund may be paid as a lump sum at the time that construction of the project or projects is begun or payment of such accumulated sums may be spread over a period of years as a part of the annual rental or sinking fund charge approved by the Department of Public Instruction for the proposed project or projects.

The capital reserve fund herein provided for shall consist of receipts from a special tax which each board of school directors or board of education is hereby authorized to levy in accordance with the provisions of this act. Such tax levy may not exceed three mills in any one year; nor may the tax be levied, on account of any one project program, for a period of more than five years. Furthermore, such tax may be levied only for the purpose of financing a school building project or projects which have been approved by the Department of Public Instruction for construction within five years from the date of the approval given by that department. Upon the total and final completion of a project program which for the purpose herein contemplated, may include the construction, reconstruction, or renovation of more than one building, the board of school directors may proceed to set up a new project program for later construction and may establish a new capital reserve fund to finance such project program.

If for any reason the project program for which the capital reserve fund was established fails to materialize, the moneys accumulated in the fund shall be reverted to the district's general fund in equal amounts spread over a period of five years.

*Section 691. Investment of Fund; Budget; Record.*—The moneys in the capital reserve fund shall be kept separate and apart from any other fund by the treasurer of the school district, and the moneys in the fund may be

*invested by the board of directors or by the board of education in securities legal for the investment of sinking fund moneys of school districts. The interest earnings on investments shall be paid into the capital reserve fund. The board of directors or the board of education may sell any such securities and reinvest the moneys in other securities or convert such securities into cash when the same may be needed for expenditure under the provisions of this act or for reverting to the general fund if the approved project or projects fail to materialize within the five year period. The school district shall annually show in its budget and in its annual financial report, the amount of moneys in the capital reserve fund which shall at all times be properly identified as to purpose and authority under which it is constituted.*

*Section 692. Expenditure of Fund.—The moneys in any such capital reserve fund may be expended by the school district singly or jointly (1) with the Commonwealth or any department or agency thereof; (2) with the Federal government or any department or agency thereof; or (3) with one or more other school districts only during the period of time for which the fund was created, and only for capital improvements approved by the Department of Public Instruction and for no other purpose.*

APPROVED—The 30th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 578

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 12, 1919 (P. L. 941), entitled "An act providing for the preparation, contents, style, printing and binding of the Legislative Journal and its delivery and distribution; providing for the preparation, printing and binding of the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives; authorizing the appointment of official reporters, expert typewriters, clerks, and other employes, and providing for their compensation and mileage; providing for the making of an appendix and index, the printing of wrappers or envelopes for mailing the Legislative Journal; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith," changing provisions relating to the contents of the Legislative Journal.

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

The Legislative Journal.

Section 1. Section 2, act of July 12, 1919 (P. L. 941), entitled "An act providing for the preparation, contents, style, printing and binding of the Legislative Journal and its delivery and distribution; providing for the preparation, printing and binding of the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives; authorizing the appointment of official reporters, expert typewriters, clerks, and other employes, and providing for their

Section 2, act of July 12, 1919, P. L. 941, amended April 3, 1956, P. L. 1367, further amended.