No. 169

AN ACT

HB 935

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), 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," further defining textbooks, providing for purchase of books for nonpublic school children.

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

Section 1. The definition of "textbooks" in subsection (b) and subsection (d) of section 923-A, act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," added July 12, 1972 (P.L.863, No.195), are amended to read:

Section 923-A. Loan of Textbooks, Instructional Materials and Equipment, Nonpublic School Children.—* * *

(b) Definitions. The following terms, whenever used or referred to in this section, shall have the following meanings, except in those circumstances where the context clearly indicates otherwise:

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"Textbooks" means books, [reusable] workbooks, [or] including reusable and non-reusable workbooks, and manuals, whether bound or in looseleaf form, intended for use as a principal source of study material for a given class or group of students, a copy of which is expected to be available for the individual use of each pupil in such class or group. Such textbooks shall be textbooks which are acceptable for use in any public, elementary, or secondary school of the Commonwealth.

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(d) Purchase of Books. The secretary shall not be required to purchase or otherwise acquire textbooks, pursuant to this section, the total cost of which, in any school year, shall exceed an amount equal to [ten dollars (\$10)] twelve dollars for the school year 1973-1974 and fifteen dollars (\$15) for the school year beginning July 1, 1974 and thereafter multiplied by the number of children residing in the Commonwealth who on the first day of October of such school year are enrolled in grades kindergarten through twelve of a nonpublic school within the Commonwealth in which the requirements of the compulsory attendance provisions of this act may be met.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED-The 18th day of July, A. D. 1974.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 169.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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