

## No. 57

## AN ACT

## HB 1431

Amending the act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286, No.177), entitled, as amended, "An act to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of minors; By forbidding their employment or work in certain establishments and occupations, and under certain specified ages; by restricting their hours of labor, and regulating certain conditions of their employment; by requiring employment certificates for certain minors, and prescribing the kinds thereof, and the rules for the issuance, reissuance, filing, return, and recording of the same; by providing that the Industrial Board shall, under certain conditions, determine and declare whether certain occupations are within the prohibitions of this act; requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; providing for the enforcement of this act by the Secretary of Labor and Industry, the representative of school districts, and police officers; and defining the procedure in prosecutions thereunder, and establishing certain presumptions in relation thereto; providing for the issuance of special permits for minors engaging in the entertainment and related fields; providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," changing the applicability of the act to members of volunteer fire companies, volunteer ambulance corps, and rescue squads in certain instances.

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

Section 1. The section heading and subsection (f) of section 7.3, act of May 13, 1915 (P.L.286, No.177), known as the "Child Labor Law," added June 27, 1973 (P.L.70, No.30), are amended and a subsection is added to read:

Section 7.3. Minor Volunteer Fire Company, *Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Volunteer Rescue Squads* and Volunteer Forest Fire Crew Member Activities.—\* \* \*

(f) All other existing provisions of this act and the regulations promulgated thereunder affecting the employment of minors shall be applicable in all cases, including the requirements for employment certificates and the limitations on hours of employment: ***Provided, That a minor sixteen or seventeen years of age who is a member of a volunteer fire company who answers a fire call while lawfully employed and continues in such service until excused by the one acting as chief of that fire company shall not be considered in violation of this act for any part of the period so occupied.***

(g) ***Any minor who is a member of a volunteer ambulance corps or rescue squad may participate in training and any other activity as provided by regulations adopted by the Department of Labor and Industry but in any case, drivers of all ambulances or other official ambulance corps or rescue squad vehicles must be eighteen years of age.***

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 20th day of May, A. D. 1976.

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