THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain 2 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial 3 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the 4 laws relating thereto," further providing for definitions; 5 and prohibiting strip searches by school employees. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Section 1301-A of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is 10 11 amended by adding definitions to read: 12 Section 1301-A. Definitions. -- As used in this article, 13 14 "School employe" shall include any teacher, substitute 15 teacher, principal, assistant principal, vice-principal, 16 director of vocational education, school counselor, 17 superintendent and all other employes. * * * 18 19 "Strip search" shall mean a search in which a person's genitals, pubic area, buttock or anus or a female person's 20

- 1 breast is either uncovered or exposed to view or is touched by a
- 2 person conducting the search.
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- 4 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
- 5 <u>Section 1314-A. Strip Search by School Employe.--A school</u>
- 6 employe is prohibited from conducting a strip search of any
- 7 pupil.
- 8 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.