
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in terms and courses of study,
6 further providing for fire and emergency evacuation drills.

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

9 Section 1. Section 1517(a.1) of the act of March 10, 1949
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
11 amended November 6, 2017 (P.L.1142, No.55), is amended to read:

12 Section 1517. Fire and Emergency Evacuation Drills.--* * *

13 (a.1) Within ninety (90) days of the commencement of the
14 school year after the effective date of this subsection and
15 within ninety (90) days of the commencement of each school year
16 thereafter, each school entity may conduct [one] not more than
17 five (5) school security [drill] drills per school year in each
18 school building in place of [a] each fire drill required under
19 subsection (a). All of the following shall apply:

1 (1) [The] A school security drill may be conducted while the
2 school entity is in session and students are present under
3 policies adopted by the chief school administrator.

4 (2) The chief school administrator or a designee shall
5 oversee the instruction and training of students and school
6 employees in the procedures to be used in [the] a school
7 security drill.

8 (3) The chief school administrator shall notify and request
9 assistance from the local law enforcement agency and emergency
10 management agency before conducting [the] a school security
11 drill.

12 (4) The chief school administrator shall provide notice of
13 [the] a school security drill in advance to parents and legal
14 guardians of the students attending the school building for
15 which [the] a school security drill is scheduled.

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17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.