

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 853 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY BROOKS, ARGALL, COLEMAN, HUTCHINSON, MASTRIANO AND DUSH, JUNE 26, 2023

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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 prohibiting the integration of culturally relevant and  
 7 sustaining education into education preparation, induction  
 8 and continuing professional development programs; and  
 9 abrogating regulations.

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

12 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known  
 13 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a  
 14 section to read:

15 Section 1529. Culturally Relevant and Sustaining Education  
 16 Prohibited.--(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
 17 culturally relevant and sustaining education may not be  
 18 integrated into education preparation, induction and continuing  
 19 professional development programs.

20 (b) The regulations at 22 Pa. Code §§ 49.1 (relating to  
 21 definitions), 49.13 (relating to policies), 49.14 (relating to

1 approval of institutions and alternative program providers),  
2 49.16 (relating to approval of induction plans) and 49.17  
3 (relating to continuing professional education) are abrogated  
4 insofar as they relate to culturally relevant and sustaining  
5 education.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.