

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 546 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY THOMAS, KINSEY AND NEILSON, FEBRUARY 17, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 17, 2017

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 State System of Higher Education,
 6 providing for oversight.

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

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

12 Section 2014-B. Oversight.

13 (a) Organizations.--An organization listed in section 2007-B
 14 that has received contributions from business firms granted a
 15 tax credit under this article shall report the following to the
 16 Education Committee of the Senate and the Education Committee
 17 and Commerce Committee of the House of Representatives by
 18 September 1 of each year:

19 (1) Out of the funds contributed to an organization by a
 20 business firm for a tax credit under this article, the number

1 of scholarships and amount of funds expended by an
2 organization during the immediately preceding school year.

3 (2) The name of each participating public school or
4 participating nonpublic school that received funds described
5 in paragraph (1) from the organization during the immediately
6 preceding school year, along with the amount received.

7 (3) Assurance that the organization complies with
8 applicable Federal and State antidiscrimination laws.

9 (b) Participating schools.--A participating public school or
10 participating nonpublic school that received a scholarship or
11 funds from an organization under this article shall report the
12 following to the Education Committee of the Senate and the
13 Education Committee and Commerce Committee of the House of
14 Representatives by September 1 of each year:

15 (1) The number of scholarships or amount of funds
16 received during the immediately preceding school year.

17 (2) The name of each organization that contributed a
18 scholarship or funds to the school during the immediately
19 preceding school year.

20 (3) Annual growth as measured by the Pennsylvania Value
21 Added Assessment System for the school year in which the
22 participating school received a scholarship or funds.

23 (4) Incidents of violence at the school during the
24 school year in which the participating school received a
25 scholarship or funding.

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