

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL****No. 1221** Session of  
2003

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 18, 2003

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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," further defining compulsory school  
6 age.

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

9 Section 1. Section 1326 of the act of March 10, 1949  
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is  
11 amended to read:

12 Section 1326. Definitions.--The term "compulsory school  
13 age," as hereinafter used, shall mean the period of a child's  
14 life from the time the child's parents elect to have the child  
15 enter school, which shall be not later than at the age of [eight <—  
16 (8)] SIX (6) years, until the age of [seventeen (17)] eighteen <—  
17 (18) years. The term shall not include any child who holds a  
18 certificate of graduation from a regularly accredited senior

1 high school.

2 The term "migratory child," wherever used in this subdivision  
3 of this article, shall include any child domiciled temporarily  
4 in any school district for the purpose of seasonal employment,  
5 but not acquiring residence therein, and any child accompanying  
6 his parent or guardian who is so domiciled.

7 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, or  
8 immediately, whichever is later.