

provide for the payment of teachers and other officers on the first of each month, or as soon thereafter as possible.

(6) School buildings and equipment.—To provide for the erecting, furnishing, and equipping of necessary school buildings and appurtenances and the maintenance thereof.

(6a) Insurance.—To provide for the necessary insurance on school properties against loss by fire or against such other losses as deemed necessary.

(7) Drinking water.—To provide for all public schools an adequate and safe supply of drinking water and see that the same is periodically tested and approved by or under the direction of the State Board of Health, either on the premises or from specimens sent to such board.

(8) Textbooks for indigent children.—To pro-

vide such textbooks as may be necessary for indigent children attending public schools.

(9) Costs and expenses.—In general, to incur costs and expenses, but only the costs and expenses of such items as are provided for in its budget without the consent of the tax levying body.

(10) Consolidation of schools *.—To provide for the consolidation of schools * whenever such procedure will contribute to the efficiency of the school system.

(11) Other duties.—To perform such other duties as shall be prescribed by the State Board or as are imposed by law.

§ 22-72.1. *County school boards may provide for the transportation of pupils; but nothing herein contained shall be construed as requiring such transportation.*

EDUCATION

Public Schools—Virginia

Chapter 61 of the acts of the 1956 Extra Session of the Virginia General Assembly, approved September 29, 1956, amends the Virginia school laws with respect to the assignment of teachers by division superintendents.

CHAPTER 61

An Act to amend and reenact § 22-205 of the Code of Virginia, relating to assignment of teachers by division superintendents.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 22-205 of the Code of Virginia be amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22-205. The division superintendent shall have authority to assign to their respective positions in the school wherein they have been placed by the school board all teachers, * including principals, * and reassign them therein, provided no change or reassignment shall affect the salary of such teachers; and provided, further, that he shall make appropriate reports and explanations on the request of the school board.

EDUCATION

Public Schools—Virginia

Chapter 62 of the acts of the 1956 Extra Session of the Virginia General Assembly, approved September 29, 1956, authorizes local school boards to transfer and spend school funds by making grants to pupils for education in private, nonsectarian schools.

CHAPTER 62

An Act to authorize local school boards to expend funds designated for public school purposes for such grants in furtherance of elementary and secondary education as may be permitted by law without first obtaining authority therefor from the tax levying body.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. The local school board of every county, city or town is hereby authorized when it is deemed to be for the public benefit, to transfer school funds, excluding those for capital outlay and

debt service, within the total amount of its authorized budget, without the consent of the tax levying body, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, and to expend same in further-

ance of the elementary and secondary education of the children of such county, city or town in nonsectarian private schools as may be permitted by law.

EDUCATION

Public Schools—Virginia

Chapter 63 of the acts of the 1956 Extra Session of the Virginia General Assembly, approved September 29, 1956, authorizes the employment of counsel to defend school boards or members thereof in certain legal proceedings.

CHAPTER 63

An Act to provide for the employment of counsel to defend the actions of members of school boards and to provide for the payment of costs, expenses and liabilities levied against such members out of local public funds.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the attorney for the Commonwealth or other counsel approved by the school board may be employed by the school board of any county, city or town, to defend it, or any member thereof, or

any school official, in any legal proceeding, to which the school board, or any member thereof, or any school official, may be a defendant, when such proceeding is instituted against it, or against any member thereof by virtue of his actions in connection with his duties as such member.

§ 2. All costs, expenses and liabilities of proceedings so defended shall be a charge against the county, city or town treasury and paid out of funds provided by the governing body of the county, city or town in which such school board discharges its functions.

2. An emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.

EDUCATION

Public Schools—Virginia

Chapter 64 of the acts of the 1956 Extra Session of the Virginia General Assembly, approved September 29, 1956, amends the Code of Virginia with respect to the teacher retirement system so as to authorize teachers participating in certain private educational corporations to be included under the retirement system.

CHAPTER 64

An Act to amend and reenact § 51-111.10, as amended, of the Code of Virginia, relating to the meaning of certain words as used in the Virginia Supplemental Retirement Act, and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding to Title 51, Chapter 3.2 thereof, an Article 4.1, containing §§ 51-111.38:1 through 51-111.38:3, providing for the retirement of certain private school teachers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 51-111.10, as amended, of the Code of Virginia be amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia be amended by adding Article 4.1, containing §§ 51-111.38:1 through 51-111.38:3, to Chapter 3.2, Title 51, the amended section and new article being as follows:

§ 51-111.10. Definitions.—As used in this chapter unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

(1) "Retirement system" means the Virginia Supplemental Retirement System provided for in § 51-111.11;