the provisions of this Act are hereby declared severable.

Section 3. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved by the Governor: June 29, 1977.

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PAUL J. HARDY
Secretary of State.

ACT No. 129


AN ACT

To amend and reenact Subsection B of Section 1577 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to provide with respect to the authority of peace officers to take custody of school truants for the purpose of immediately returning them to the school system or to momentarily detain for inquiry children who appear to be truant; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Subsection B of Section 1577 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1577. Detention; release; bond; record

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B. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as forbidding any peace officer from immediately taking into custody any child who is found violating any law or ordinance, or whose surroundings are such as to endanger his welfare. In every case the officer taking into custody any child for detention shall immediately and in any event within twenty-four hours, report the fact to the court or probation officer and the case shall then be proceeded with as provided by law. In addition, nothing in this chapter shall be construed as forbidding any peace officer from taking into temporary custody during school hours any child who is required by law to attend school and is not exempted under the provisions of R.S. 17:226, where such child has absented himself or herself from school without proper authority, provided that the peace officer shall immediately place the child in a school facility or receiving center designated by the parish school board for any child from the district thereof is hereby declared severable.

Section 2. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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Secretary of State.


AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 285 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to provide for the inspection of schools and to make the courts more effective in the enforcement of school laws

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Section 285 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 is hereby amended to read as follows:

§285. Examinations by state board

The board of education shall also have the power to make an examination of the schools and the reports of such examinations shall be published in the Official Journal of the State. The board may make an examination of the school system at any time and at the expense of the parish or local school district.
The provisions of this Act are hereby declared severable.

Section 3. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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Secretary of State.

ACT No. 129

House Bill No. 186.

By: Messrs. Bruneau, Carson, Diez, Freeman and Alexander.

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 1577 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to provide with respect to the authority of peace officers to take custody of school truants for the purpose of immediately returning them to the school system or to momentarily detain for inquiry children who appear to be truant; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Subsection B of Section 1577 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1577. Detention; release; bond; record

* * *

B. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as forbidding any peace officer from immediately taking into custody any child who is found violating any law or ordinance, or whose surroundings are such as to endanger his welfare. In every case the officer taking into custody any child for detention shall immediately and in any event within twenty-four hours, report the fact to the court or probation officer and the case shall then be proceeded with as provided by law. In addition, nothing in this chapter shall be construed as forbidding any peace officer from taking into temporary custody during school hours any child who is required by law to attend school and is not exempted under the provisions of R.S. 17:226, where such child has absented himself or herself from school without proper authority, provided that the peace officer shall immediately place the child in a school facility or receiving center designated by the parish school board for acceptance of such child, or momentarily detaining any child from the age of seven through fifteen, both inclusive, who appears to be absent from school during normal school hours, and inquiring of the circumstances relative to his or her being absent from school.

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Section 2. If any provision or item of this Act or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Act are hereby declared severable.

Section 3. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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PAUL J. HARDY
Secretary of State.

ACT No. 130

House Bill No. 225.

By: Messrs. Kimball and Shannon and Senator Jumonville.

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 285 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, relative to levee districts, to increase the appropriation that a board of commissioners of a levee district may make to cover the expenses of delegates to the meetings of the Mississippi River Commission and other interstate and national bodies; and contributions to such interstate and national associations; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Section 285 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§285. Expenses of delegates; contribution to interstate and national association

The boards of commissioners of the levee districts of this state, may make appropriations to cover the expenses of delegates to the meetings of the Mississippi River Commission and other interstate...