

LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FILE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. **678** Session of
1919.

INTRODUCED BY MR. McINTYRE, FEBRUARY 26, 1919.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY SPECIAL,
MARCH 3, 1919.

AN ACT

To amend section one of an act approved the third day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twenty-seven) entitled "An act providing for the payment by the proper county or by the treasurer of a city co-extensive with a county of the costs of appeal including printing of paper-book in murder cases where counsel have been assigned to the defense of the prisoner" by providing for the payment of costs of application for pardon

1 Section 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*
2 *sentatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly*
3 *met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That*
4 section one of the act approved the third day of June
5 one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hun-
6 dred twenty-seven) entitled "An act providing for the pay-
7 ment by the proper county or by the treasurer of a
8 city coextensive with a county of the costs of appeal in-
9 cluding printing of paper-book in murder cases where coun-

1 sel have been assigned to the defense of the prisoner"
2 which reads as follows

3 "Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House
4 of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in
5 General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the
6 authority of the same That when any person shall have
7 been indicted on a charge of murder and when on ac-
8 count of the destitute circumstances of such person counsel
9 shall have been assigned to him or to her and when
10 upon trial such person shall have been convicted of mur-
11 der in the first degree and such counsel shall deem it
12 necessary to appeal to the supreme court a statement of
13 the costs of such appeal including the cost of printing
14 the paper-book sworn to by such counsel shall be filed
15 in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter ses-
16 sions of the proper county and such costs shall be paid
17 by the treasurer of such county or where any city is
18 coextensive with such county then by the treasurer of
19 such city Such costs shall not be paid unless such state-
20 ment be accompanied by a certificate of the judge who
21 shall have presided at such trial setting forth the fact
22 of such appointment of counsel and the fact that such
23 appeal was taken" is hereby amended to read as follows

24 Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House
25 of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in
26 General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the
27 authority of the same That when any person shall have
28 been indicted on a charge of murder and when on ac-
29 count of the destitute circumstances of such person counsel

1 shall have been assigned to him or her and when upon
2 such trial such person shall have been convicted of mur-
3 der in the first degree and such counsel shall deem it
4 necessary to appeal to the Supreme Court or to present
5 an application to the Board of Pardons a statement of
6 the costs of such appeal including the cost of printing
7 the paper-book or a statement of the costs of such ap-
8 plication including the costs of a transcript of the tes-
9 timony and a schedule or list of all papers filed sworn
10 to by such counsel shall be filed in the office of the
11 clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the proper
12 county and such costs shall be paid by the treasurer of
13 such county or where any city is coextensive with such
14 county then by the treasurer of such city Such costs
15 shall not be paid unless such statement be accompanied
16 by a certificate of the judge who shall have presided at
17 such trial setting forth the fact of such appointment of counsel