

LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FILE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. **910** Session of
1919.

INTRODUCED BY MR. JONES, MARCH 11, 1919.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS,
MARCH 12, 1919.

AN ACT

To amend section two article one of chapter five of an act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and twelve) entitled "An act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs"

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 chapter five article one section two of an act approved
5 the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred
6 and fifteen. (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and twelve) en-
7 titled "An act providing a system of government for bor-
8 oughs and revising amending and consolidating the law re-
9 lating to boroughs" be and the same is hereby amended
10 by adding thereto the following clause

11 XLIV To make contracts or purchases in connection
12 with proper legal requirements of the borough provided that

1 all contracts or purchases made by any borough involving
2 an expenditure of over three hundred dollars (\$300.00)
3 shall be in writing and shall not be made except with
4 and from the lowest bidder after due public notice by
5 the secretary published once a week for three weeks at
6 intervals of seven days in one newspaper of the county
7 in which such borough shall be situated and such bids
8 shall be received opened and read in open meeting of
9 council at a time fixed by such notice, and not earlier
10 than twenty-one days after the first publication thereof

11 The acceptance of bids shall only be made by public
12 announcement at the meeting at which bids are received
13 or at a subsequent meeting the time and place of which
14 shall be publicly announced when bids are received. If for
15 any reason one or both of the above meetings shall not
16 be held the same business may be transacted at subse-
17 quent meetings provided that one week's notice thereof
18 shall be published in the newspaper aforesaid

19 The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a
20 with sufficient surety in the amount of fifty per cent of
21 the amount of the contract within ten days after the
22 contract has been awarded and upon failure to furnish
23 such bond within such time the previous award shall be
24 void and the contract shall be awarded to the next lowest
25 bidder subject to the same provisions and requirements as
26 stated