
LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FILE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 944 **Session of**
1919.

INTRODUCED BY MR. SCHAEFFER, MARCH 17, 1919.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ROADS,
MARCH 18, 1919.

AN ACT

To amend section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled "An act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement

maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated

towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act"

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 six route number one hundred sixty-one of an act*
5 *approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine*
6 *hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-*
7 *eight) entitled "An act providing for the establishment of*
8 *a State Highway Department by the appointment of a*
9 *State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway*
10 *Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintend-*
11 *ents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes*
12 *defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State*
13 *Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioners*
14 *and deputies and other appointees providing for taking*
15 *over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth*
16 *certain existing public roads connecting county-seats principal*
17 *cities and towns and extending to the State line describ-*

1 ing and defining same by route numbers as the State
2 highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improve-
3 ment maintenance and repair of said State highways
4 solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving
5 the several townships or counties from any further obliga-
6 tion and expense to improve or maintain the same and
7 relieving said townships or counties of authority over
8 same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to main-
9 tain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring
10 the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be com-
11 plete records thereof conferring authority on the State
12 Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of dam-
13 ages in taking of property or otherwise in the improve-
14 ment thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turn-
15 pikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State
16 highway and procedure therein providing for work of im-
17 provement of State highways to be done by contract ex-
18 cept where the State Highway Commissioner decides the
19 work be done by the State providing aid by the State
20 to counties and townships desiring the same in the im-
21 provement of township or county roads defining highways
22 and State-aid highways providing method of application for
23 State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of
24 township or county roads and prescribing the contents of
25 township county borough or incorporated town petitions
26 providing for percentage of cost of improvement or re-
27 pairs to be paid by State county township borough or
28 incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties town-
29 ships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth

1 governing same providing for the minimum width of State
2 highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to
3 be used in the improvement providing for payment of
4 cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for in-
5 juring or destroying State highways making appropriations
6 to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for
7 the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Depart-
8 ment and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts
9 of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing
10 contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" which
11 reads as follows

12 "Route one hundred and sixty-one From Pottsville to
13 Sunbury—Commencing in Pottsville and running by way of
14 Frackville Fountain Springs and Ashland to a point on
15 the dividing line between Schuylkill and Columbia counties
16 thence by way of Centralia to a point on the dividing
17 line between Columbia and Northumberland counties thence
18 by way of Mount Carmel Shamokin Paxinos and Stoning-
19 ton by way of Old Centre Pike into Sunbury Northum-
20 berland county" is hereby amended to read as follows

21 Route one hundred and sixty-one From Pottsville to
22 Sunbury—Commencing in Pottsville and running by way of
23 Frackville thence over State highway route number one
24 hundred and eighty-three to Moizeville thence to Mahanoy
25 Plane to Girardville thence over State Highway route
26 number one hundred and eighty-three to Ashland to a
27 point on the dividing line between Schuylkill and Colum-
28 bia counties thence by way of Centralia to a point on

1 the dividing line between Columbia and Northumberland
 2 counties thence by way of Mount Carmel Shamokin Paxinos
 3 and Stonington by way of Old Centre Pike into Sunbury
 4 Northumberland county

5 Section 2 That route two hundred and ninety of said
 6 section which reads as follows

7 "Route two hundred and ninety From Bloomsburg to
 8 Mauch Chunk—Commencing in Bloomsburg and running over
 9 route one hundred and eighty-three to Shenandoah thence
 10 by way of Mahanoy City Bucks Mountain and Quakake
 11 to Ginther thence over routes one hundred and eighty-five
 12 and one hundred and sixty-two into Mauch Chunk Carbon
 13 county" is hereby amended to read as follows

14 Route two hundred and ninety From Bloomsburg to
 15 Mauch Chunk—Commencing in Bloomsburg and running over
 16 route one hundred and eighty-three to Shenandoah thence
 17 to Saint Nicholas by spur to Maizeville to Mahanoy City
 18 Vulcan Lakewood Lakeside Barnesville Mintzers to Home-
 19 town connecting with route one hundred and eighty-five
 20 thence over routes one hundred and eighty-five and one
 21 hundred and sixty-two into Mauch Chunk Carbon county