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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

No. **279** Session of  
1961

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. BELL AND DiSILVESTRO,  
FEBRUARY 27, 1961.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS,  
FEBRUARY 27, 1961.

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**AN ACT**

Amending the act of March 17 1921 (P L 32) entitled "An act authorizing the erection and construction by counties of memorial halls in memory of the soldiers sailors and marines of such counties providing for an election to determine whether such hall shall be erected providing for the purchase and condemnation of property for such purposes regulating the use of such halls and providing for the maintenance and care of the same by a board of control at the expense of the county" correcting

EXPLANATION.—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Letter written through in to be omitted from bill.  
Underlining indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter omitted from existing law.

the name of the Italian American War Veterans of the United States Incorporated to conform with name in its charter

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

- 1 Section 1 Sections 4 and 6 act of March 17 1921 (P L 32) entitled
- 2 "An act authorizing the erection and construction by counties of me-
- 3 morial halls in memory of the soldiers sailors and marines of such coun-
- 4 ties providing for an election to determine whether (such) hall shall be
- 5 erected providing for the purchase and condemnation of property for
- 6 such purposes regulating the use of such halls and providing for the
- 7 maintenance and care of the same by a board of control at the expense
- 8 of the county" amended August 12 1959 (P L 695) are amended to read
- 9 Section 4 Such memorial hall shall be in honor of the soldiers sailors
- 10 and marines from said county who served in the Army or Navy of the
- 11 United States in the War of the Rebellion the Spanish-American War
- 12 the Philippine Insurrection the War with Germany and Austria and
- 13 all other wars in which the United States has been or may hereafter
- 14 be engaged Such memorial halls shall each contain one large assembly
- 15 room or auditorium for public meetings of the soldiers sailors and ma-
- 16 rines of such county which may be used also for other public meetings

1 and patriotic gatherings by the consent of the board of control herein  
2 provided for Such memorial hall shall also contain rooms for meetings  
3 of posts of the Grand Army of the Republic encampments of the Union  
4 Veteran Legion commanderies of the Loyal Legion camps of Sons of  
5 Veterans Women's Relief Corps Ladies of the Grand Army of the  
6 Republic chapters of the Daughters of the Revolution organizations of  
7 the Spanish-American War and Philippine Insurrection the Veterans  
8 of Foreign Wars the American Legion the Italian American [World]  
9 War Veterans of the United States Incorporated and organizations of  
10 veterans of all other wars in which the United States has been or may  
11 be engaged and also rooms for the county historical society and for  
12 such committees of public defense and welfare as may be created by  
13 the State or as may be approved by the board of control hereinafter  
14 provided for Such memorial halls shall also provide room for the dis-  
15 play and preservation of relics and trophies of all wars in which the  
16 United States has been or may be engaged photographs paintings and  
17 portraits busts and statues of the soldiers sailors and marines of the  
18 said counties and mural tablets upon which shall be inscribed the names  
19 of such soldiers sailors and marines Such memorial halls shall also

1 contain waiting and rest rooms with laboratories attached

2 Section 6 A board of control is hereby created which shall have

3 charge of all matters relating to such memorial hall and shall have the

4 care thereof The board shall be composed of three members chosen

5 by members of the Grand Army of the Republic three members chosen

6 by members of camps of Spanish-American War Veterans three mem-

7 bers to be chosen by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars three

8 members to be chosen by Italian American [World] War Veterans of

9 the United States Incorporated and three members to be chosen by

10 members of the American Legion The judges of the court of common

11 pleas and the county commissioners shall be ex officio members of the

12 board of control The selected members of the board shall serve one year

13 when their successors shall be selected Vacancies occurring shall be filled

14 by the board for the unexpired term

We certify that this bill has passed the Senate and the House of Representatives.

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Chief Clerk, Senate

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President pro tempore, Senate

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Speaker, House of Representatives

Approved The ..... day of ..... A. D. 1861.

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Governor