
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. **415** Session of
1961

INTRODUCED BY MR. STIEFEL, MARCH 20, 1961.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS,
MARCH 20, 1961.

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 28 1937 (P L 1053) entitled "An act relating to the regulation of public utilities defining as public utilities certain corporations companies associations and persons providing for the regulation of public utilities including to a limited extent municipalities engaging in public utility business by prescribing defining and limiting their duties powers and liabilities and regulating the exercise surrender or abandonment of their powers privileges and franchises defining and regulating contract carriers by motor vehicle and brokers in order to

EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter stricken through is to be omitted from bill. Underlining indicates new matter added to existing law. (Brackets) indicate matter stricken from existing law.

regulate effectively common carriers by motor vehicle conferring upon the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission the power and duty of supervising and regulating persons associations companies and corporations including to a limited extent municipal corporations subject to this act and administering the provisions of this act authorizing the commission to fix temporary rates placing the burden of proof on public utilities to sustain their rates and certain other matters authorizing a permissive or mandatory sliding scale method of regulating rates providing for the supervision of financial and contractual relations between public utilities and affiliated interests and supervision and regulation of accounts and securities or obligations issued, assumed or kept by persons associations companies corporations or municipal corporations subject to this act conferring upon the commission power to vary reform or revise certain contracts conferring upon the commission the exclusive power to regulate or order the construction alteration relocation protection or abolition of crossings of facilities of public utilities and of such facilities by or over public highways to appropriate property for the construction or improvement of such crossings and to award

or apportion resultant costs and damages authorizing owners of such property to sue the Commonwealth for such damages providing for ejectment proceedings in connection with the appropriation of property for crossings conferring upon the commission power to control and regulate budgets of public utilities imposing upon persons associations companies and corporations (except municipal corporations) subject to regulation the cost of administering this act prescribing and regulating practice and procedure before the commission and procedure for review by the courts of commission action giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive original jurisdiction over certain proceedings prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for violations of the provisions of this act and regulations and orders of the commission and the procedure for enforcing such fines and penalties and repealing legislation supplied and superseded by or inconsistent with this act" requiring that passes transfers and tokens issued by common carriers be usable for at least two hours from the time issued

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

heroby enacts as follows

1 Section 1 The act of May 28 1937 (P L 1053) known as the "Public
2 Utility Law" is amended by adding after section 301 a new section to read

3 Section 301.1 Tariffs Approval Limitations (a) Whenever a tariff
4 is filed by a public utility with respect to service for compensation to
5 the public for the transportation of persons and a pass transfer or token
6 is provided in connection therewith the tariff shall not be approved by
7 the commission unless it provides that the pass transfer or token may
8 be used for a period of not less than two hours from the time the pass
9 transfer or token is issued

10 (b) All tariffs heretofore approved by the commission shall be
11 amended or changed to provide that passes transfers and tokens issued
12 by any public utility with respect to service for compensation to the
13 public for the transportation of persons may be used for a period of
14 not less than two hours from the time of issuance thereof

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. 1961.

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Governor