
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. **605** Session of
1961

INTRODUCED BY MR. HAYS, MAY 3, 1961.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
MAY 3, 1961.

AN ACT

Amending the act of January 29 1844 (P L 25) entitled "An act supplementary to an act to incorporate the president and directors of the water pipes in Aaronsburg" permitting additional persons to vote for the directors further providing who shall be taxed increasing one tax providing for flat rates and tap on charges and repealing inconsistent legislation

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

EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter stricken through is to be omitted from bill. Underscoring indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1 Section 1 Sections 1 and 3 act of January 29 1844 (P L 25) entitled
2 "An act supplementary to an act to incorporate the president and direc-
3 tors of the water pipes in Aaronsburg" are amended to read

4 Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
5 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and
6 it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may
7 be lawful for the inhabitants of the town of Aaronsburg in the county
8 of Centre and such other persons who are [freeholders housekeepers or
9 others exercising the right of suffrage] who are the consumers of the
10 water to meet at the house of Jacob Snyder or any other house in said
11 town a majority shall appoint on the first Saturday of June next between
12 the hours of one and six o'clock p m of said day and then and there
13 to elect by ballot five citizens who shall be resident in said town and
14 who shall be termed directors of the water pipes of Aaronsburg and
15 who shall serve as such but one year unless they are re-elected and the
16 like number of directors as aforesaid shall annually be elected on the
17 first Saturday of March thereafter in manner aforesaid but previous to
18 any election being held in pursuance of this act the electors who may
19 be present at the time of opening the same shall appoint two citizens
20 resident in the town to receive the tickets from persons qualified by this

1 act to vote and to count the votes and certify the result of the election
2 under their hands and seals to the persons elected and immediately after
3 the said annual election respectively the directors elected shall appoint
4 out of their own body a president and secretary and in the absence of
5 one or the other their absence shall be supplied by pro tempore appoint-
6 ments or to enter upon the duties thereof he shall pay a fine of ten
7 dollars to be recovered upon the complaint of any person as debts of
8 equal amount are recoverable and if any vacancy occurs in the director-
9 ship in any wise it shall be immediately supplied by an election in man-
10 ner aforesaid upon notice being given through advertisements by the
11 president fixed up at five of the most public places in the town at least
12 five days previous to the election which special election shall be held at
13 the same place and conducted in the same manner as the annual election
14 under this act and the directors have perpetual succession by the name
15 style and title of the president and directors of the water pipes of
16 Aaronsburg and under the same name and title they shall be and are
17 hereby made able and capable in law to sue and be sued implead and be
18 impleaded and they or a majority of them shall form a quorum for
19 doing business and they shall have power to make by-laws and to appoint

1 officers and agents necessary for carrying the object of this act into
2 effect not inconsistent with or repugnant to the constitution and laws of
3 the United States or of this Commonwealth and from time to time to
4 alter or abolish and enforce the same by certain fines and penalties which
5 shall be recovered by the president and directors in the same manner as
6 debts of equal amount are or may be by law recoverable and the said
7 by-laws shall be signed by the president and countorsigned by the secre-
8 tary which shall be immediately published after they are passed in at
9 least six written or printed handbills or otherwise fixed up at as many of
10 the most public places in the said town and which shall also be recorded
11 in a book to be provided for that purpose by the president and directors
12 and they shall also provide another book in which they shall record the
13 certificates of their election and enter all their contracts and the appoint-
14 ment of officers and agents and proceedings generally under this act
15 which book shall be kept by the secretary and who shall submit them to
16 the inspection of any of the inhabitants as aforesaid at convenient hours
17 when they apply for the same

18 Section 3 That all fines and forfeitures under this act shall be paid
19 to the president and directors to be by them applied to defray the ex-
20 penses arising under the same in addition to which they shall have power

1 from time to time to assess taxes for that purpose in the following man-
2 ner to wit On each [male taxable] inhabitant in said town [the] who is
3 qualified to register to vote a sum [of sixty-two and a half cents] not
4 exceeding ten dollars (\$10) yearly but if the proceeds of the moneys
5 arising from such taxation be not sufficient to defray the expenses for
6 which they are intended to be applied to then an additional tax agree-
7 ably to the latest valuation under the act for raising county rates and
8 levies shall be assessed on real and personal property in said town not in
9 any one year to exceed one cent in the dollar of that valuation and to be
10 collected and applied in like manner as aforesaid and the personal prop-
11 erty of the occupant of the real property shall be liable for the taxes and
12 in case the occupant is a tenant the landlord shall refund the same to
13 him or her but nothing in this act shall be construed to interfere with
14 any agreement made between the landlord and tenant about the payment
15 of taxes In addition to the above mentioned taxes the president and
16 directors may charge consumers who are not inhabitants a flat rate per
17 year for the privilege of being a consumer They may also charge an
18 amount that shall be determined by the president and directors from

1 time to time for the privilege of tapping on to the system by future

2 consumers

3 Section 2 The act of March 15 1867 (P I. 405) entitled "An act
4 relative to the per capita tax to be assessed by the water directors of
5 the town of Aaronsburg county of Centre" is repealed

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—Theday ofA. D. 1961.

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Governor