

Proviso.

This compensation shall not be more than twelve dollars per week nor less than six dollars per week: Provided, That if at the time of injury the employe receives wages of less than six dollars per week, then he shall receive the full amount of such wages per week as compensation.

APPROVED—The 29th day of March, A. D. 1923.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 30.

AN ACT

Authorizing cities of the first class to provide for the use of moneys borrowed, or authorized to be borrowed, for purposes which have proved or may prove impracticable, impossible or inadvisable, for any other lawful municipal purpose, or to provide for the cancellation of the authority to borrow such moneys.

Cities of the first class.

Increase of indebtedness.

Change of purpose.

Cancellation.

When debt increased without assent of electors.

When increased with assent of electors.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever any city of the first class has increased or has authorized the increase of its indebtedness with or without the assent of the electors of such city, or shall hereafter so increase or authorize the increase of its indebtedness, and the purpose of such increase or authorized increase has proved or shall prove to be impracticable, impossible or inadvisable, the council of such city may by their ordinance, which shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members of the council, so declare, and (a) may provide for the use of the money so borrowed or authorized to be borrowed for any other municipal purpose for which such indebtedness could have originally been lawfully incurred and upon the certificate of the City Controller as required by law for the original incurring of such debt, or (b) may rescind the authority to borrow such money.

Section 2. When said debt shall have been authorized or increased without the assent of the electors, such ordinance, prior to its final passage, shall be published daily for two weeks in two newspapers having a bona fide circulation in such city of at least thirty thousand (30,000) copies per issue.

Section 3. Whenever the original increase of indebtedness shall have been made or authorized with the assent of the electors of such city, and the council may desire to use the money so borrowed, or authorized to be borrowed, for any other lawful municipal purpose as aforesaid, or to refrain from borrowing so much thereof as shall not have been borrowed or any part thereof, they shall give notice by advertisement, once a week for four weeks in each of three daily newspapers having a bona fide circulation in such city of at least thirty thousand (30,000) copies per issue, of an election to

be held at the place or places of holding municipal elections on a day to be by them fixed. Such notice shall state: (a) The date of such election: (b) The amount of money theretofore borrowed or authorized to be borrowed for the purpose in question: (c) The purpose for which such indebtedness was originally authorized: (d) The new purpose for which the council of such city desire to make use of said money, or the fact that it is desired not to borrow the same or a specified amount thereof, and such notice may further state: (e) The reason why said money may not be used for the purpose for which it was borrowed or authorized to be borrowed or why it may be advisable not to use it for such purpose.

Contents of notice.

A certified copy of the ordinance required by section one of this act, and where notice shall be required by section three hereof a copy of such notice, shall be filed in the office of the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of the county in which such city is situated.

Copy of ordinance and notice, to be filed.

Section 4. The council of such city shall fix the time of the holding of any such election on the day of the municipal or general, or other special election, unless more than ninety days shall elapse between the date of the ordinance and the day of holding the municipal or general, or other special election, in which case they may fix another day. If any day other than the day of the municipal or general, or other special election day, is fixed, the expense of holding the election shall

Council to fix time of holding election.

be paid by the city.

Expenses.

Section 5. Such election shall be held in the place, time, and under the same regulations as provided by law for the holding of municipal elections, and the question to be submitted to the electors shall be substantially in the following form:

Question how submitted.

Shall the sum of .....dollars heretofore borrowed, or authorized to be borrowed, by the City of ..... for the purpose of ..... be used by the same city for the purpose of .....?

or

Shall the authorization heretofore granted to the City of ..... to borrow ..... dollars for the purpose of ..... be cancelled as to .....?

The ballot shall be prepared in the manner provided by the election law for the submission of similar questions.

Section 6. The election shall be conducted by the regular election officers. The election officers shall count the tickets cast at such election and make a return thereof to the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of the county duly certified as is required by law. In receiving and counting, and in making return of the votes cast, the inspectors, clerks, and judges of election shall be governed by the laws of this Commonwealth governing municipal elections, and the vote shall be

Duties of election officers.

Penalties. counted by the court as is now provided by laws governing municipal elections. All penalties of the said election laws for violation thereof shall apply to the voters, inspectors, judges, and clerks voting at, and in attendance upon, elections held under the provisions of this act.

Prothonotary to make return. Section 7. The prothonotary shall make a return of the vote cast upon such questions, as filed in his office, to the corporate authorities of such city, and the same shall be placed on record among or upon the minutes thereof.

Result of election. Section 8. If at such election a majority of the electors voting thereon shall vote in favor of using said money so borrowed, or authorized to be borrowed, for the new purpose as stated in the said notice, or shall such majority vote in favor of the cancellation of the authority to borrow the same, the said money may be used for such new purpose as if it had originally been authorized or borrowed therefor, or may remain un-borrowed in accordance with such vote of the electors. And whenever it shall be made lawful to refrain from borrowing such money, either by action of the council alone or with the assent of the electors as hereinbefore provided, the original authority to borrow the same shall thereupon be of no effect.

Repeal. Section 9. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 3d day of April, A. D. 1923.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 31.

### AN ACT

To amend section two of an act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws, nine hundred and forty-four), entitled "An act authorizing the establishment by counties of hospitals for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis; providing for the management and maintenance thereof; and authorizing the incurring of indebtedness and the levy of taxes therefor."

County hospitals for tuberculosis.

Section 2, act of May 20, 1921 (P. L. 944), amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section two of an act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws, nine hundred and forty-four), entitled "An act authorizing the establishment by counties of hospitals for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis; providing for the management and maintenance thereof; and authorizing the incurring of indebtedness and the levy of taxes therefor," is hereby amended to read as follows:—