

ninth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine,' as amended," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in counties of this Commonwealth which contain more than ninety thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, the court criers of the several courts shall be paid an annual salary of [one thousand] *not to exceed one thousand six hundred and fifty* dollars, and the tipstaves shall be paid an annual salary of not to exceed [nine hundred] *fifteen hundred* dollars, to be fixed by the court of common pleas; said salaries to be paid monthly out of the treasury of the particular county in which the services shall be rendered: Provided, however, That in none of the counties falling within the provisions of this act shall there be more than six tipstaves employed at any one time.

Salaries of court criers.

Salaries of tipstaves.

Proviso.

APPROVED—The 9th day of April, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 143.

AN ACT

To amend section seventeen of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws, ten hundred and eighty-one), entitled "An act providing for county poor districts in counties of the seventh class; providing for their management, direction, and control by the county commissioners; defining their powers and duties; imposing certain duties upon the county treasurer and county controller or county auditors; abolishing the present poor districts, and transferring their property."

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section seventeen of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws, ten hundred and eighty-one), entitled "An act providing for county poor districts in counties of the seventh class; providing for their management, direction, and control by the county commissioners; defining their powers and duties; imposing certain duties upon the county treasurer and county controller or county auditors; abolishing the present poor districts, and transferring their property," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Counties of seventh class.

Poor laws.

Section 17, act of May 24, 1921 (L. 1081), amended.

Section 17. The basis of taxation for poor purposes shall be the last preceding assessment for county rates and levies.

Basis of taxation.

The county commissioners shall have authority to levy and collect a tax, not exceeding in one year ten mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation, for the purpose of supporting the poor, paying officials and

Tax levy.

employees, and the current expenses of managing the buildings and the poor farm. The taxes shall be levied at the same time, and collected in the same manner, as other county taxes.

Special tax to pay debt, cost of real estate, etc.

For the purpose of paying any debt incurred in the purchase of real estate and the erection of buildings, and to redeem bonds authorized by this act, and also for the purpose of making permanent improvements on real estate, the commissioners may levy a special tax, which shall be payable at the same time, and collected in the same manner, as the tax for current expenses.

[Such special tax shall in no year exceed in amount one-half of the amount levied for current expenses.]

APPROVED—The 9th day of April, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 144.

AN ACT

To amend section one of an act, approved the second day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, thirty-three), entitled "An act providing for the appointment of assistant district attorneys in the several counties of this Commonwealth having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, prescribing the powers and duties, and fixing their salaries"; extending the provisions of said act to counties of the second class, and increasing the number and salaries of the assistant district attorneys thereof.

Counties of second class.

Assistant district attorneys.

Section 1, act of April 2, 1919 (P. L. 33), amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one of an act, approved the second day of April, one thousand nine hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, thirty-three), entitled "An act providing for the appointment of assistant district attorneys in the several counties of this Commonwealth having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, prescribing the powers and duties, and fixing their salaries," is hereby amended to read as follows:

District attorney may appoint assistants.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in every county of the second class of this Commonwealth [having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants], the district attorney shall have authority to appoint one or more assistants learned in the law, not exceeding [ten] twelve in number, to assist the district attorney in the discharge of his duties. One of said assistant district attorneys, who shall be designated as the first assistant, shall receive a salary of [six thousand] sixty-five hundred dollars per annum. One of the said assistant district attorneys, who shall be designated

Number.

Designation and salary.