

Treasury, to be known as the "Federal Unemployment Relief Fund." The moneys deposited in said fund from time to time shall be held there without regard to the restrictions applicable to the ordinary revenues of the State.

The funds received from time to time from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation *or any other Federal agency*, and held in the Federal Unemployment Relief Fund, shall be deposited in State depositories in like manner and at like interest rates as is now provided by law for active State deposits. Any interest earned on such deposits shall be credited to the Federal Unemployment Relief Fund, and shall be expended for the same purposes as the principal sum held in said fund.

Section 3. That section three of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3. The funds received from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation *or any other Federal agency* shall, immediately upon receipt and deposit in the State Treasury, be made available for expenditure by the Governor, and be expended by him under such system of administration as he may establish, or under his direction and upon his responsibility.

Section 4. This act shall become effective immediately upon its passage, and approval by the Governor.

APPROVED—The 18th day of May, A. D. 1933.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 132

AN ACT

Authorizing counties, cities, boroughs, townships of the first and second class, and school districts to issue and sell bonds for certain purposes and for a certain period of time; providing for a trust fund and a sinking fund for the payment thereof, and defining the duties of the officers and governing bodies of the said municipalities or quasi municipalities in relation to said funds; and fixing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That to meet the emergency occasioned by the extraordinary decrease in tax collections due to business depression and widespread unemployment, it shall be lawful for any county, city, borough, township of the first and second class, and school districts to issue and sell, at not less than par, bonds bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent (6%) per annum, payable in not more than ten (10) years from the date of said bonds, in an amount not exceeding eighty per cent (80%) of the amount of uncollected taxes due on real estate at the date of the enactment of the ordinance or the adoption of the resolution authorizing such action. Any subsequent borrowing under the provisions of this act shall be limited to an amount which, when added to the amount or amounts

Deposit of funds.

Interest.

Section 3 amended.

Expenditure by Governor.

When effective.

Municipalities and quasi municipalities.

Bond issues based on uncollected taxes authorized.

Use of
proceeds.

previously borrowed, shall not exceed eighty per cent (80%) of the amount of the uncollected taxes, and the proceeds of any bonds created under the provisions of this act by any such municipality or quasi municipality shall be used only for the payment of the operating expenses of such municipality or quasi municipality.

Emergency
sinking
fund.

Section 2. For the purpose of creating a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds created under the provisions of this act and any taxes covenanted to be paid thereon, the governing bodies of the municipalities or quasi municipalities issuing same shall annually (until payment of the said bonds and the interest thereon and any taxes covenanted to be paid thereon be fully provided for) levy and collect, in addition to the other taxes, a tax sufficient to pay the interest and principal of said indebtedness and any taxes covenanted to be paid thereon within ten (10) years from the date of said bonds. Such taxes shall be called the "Emergency Sinking Fund Tax," and shall be paid into the treasury of such municipality or quasi municipality and shall be kept separate and distinct from all other funds in a fund to be called "Emergency Sinking Fund," and shall be applied to the redemption of said bonds and the payment of the interest and taxes, if any, thereon and to no other purpose whatsoever, and said bonds when so redeemed shall be cancelled.

Emergency
Sinking Fund
Tax.

Trust fund for
redemption of
bonds.

Section 3. Each ordinance or resolution authorizing the issuing of said bonds shall recite an amount of the uncollected taxes then due, at least equal to the amount of the proposed issue of bonds, which amount of uncollected taxes so recited shall become a trust fund for the redemption of said bonds and the payment of the interest and taxes, if any, thereon, and it shall be the duty of the secretary or clerk of the governing body to credit the emergency sinking fund with such taxes and of the treasurer of such municipality or quasi municipality to deposit in the emergency sinking fund, immediately upon receipt thereof, any and all said uncollected taxes, provided that the amount of said uncollected taxes received and deposited in the emergency sinking fund in any year may be deducted from the amount of the annual tax, levied for the year following, to be levied and collected for the redemption of said bonds and the payment of the interest and taxes, if any, thereon.

Duty of treasurer
to deposit
taxes in emer-
gency sinking
fund.

Misapplication
of uncollected
taxes.

Section 4. Any person who shall, directly or indirectly, apply or use any of said uncollected taxes to or for any purposes other than to deposit the same in the emergency sinking fund shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or imprisoned for a term not exceeding one (1) year, or either or both, in the discretion of the court.

Penalty.

Ascertaining net
indebtedness.

Section 5. The trust fund and the emergency sinking fund covering each issue of bonds under the pro-

visions of this act shall be alike numbered and in consecutive order, and the amount thereof, as well as the uncollected taxes due and collectible, shall be deducted from the gross indebtedness in ascertaining the net indebtedness of such municipality or quasi municipality.

Section 6. The temporary emergency power hereby granted shall be in addition to the powers granted to such municipalities or quasi municipalities to issue and create indebtedness under existing law.

Additional power to create indebtedness.

Section 7. Any bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of this Commonwealth and the act, approved the twentieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws, sixty-five), entitled "An act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," as supplemented and amended, and shall require the approval of the Department of Internal Affairs.

Bonds to be issued in accordance with law.

Approval.

Section 8. This act shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Governor, and remain in force and effect only for five (5) years thereafter.

When effective.

APPROVED—The 18th day of May, A. D. 1933.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 133

AN ACT

To require county commissioners, poor boards, public officers, trustees, and others having jurisdiction of funds available for poor or unemployment relief, or to tax or borrow for such purposes, to furnish information and exhibit their records to the State Emergency Relief Board; and providing penalties.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That it shall be the duty of every board of county commissioners, poor board, municipal department of welfare, and other public officer, body, and employe, or public trustee, who has or shall have in his or its possession or jurisdiction any funds which may be used for the assistance or relief of poor or unemployed persons, to furnish to the State Emergency Relief Board such reports, under oath, concerning the amount of such moneys in their hands, the sources from which obtained, the taxing and borrowing powers available to obtain further funds, and such other information as the said board may request to assist it in effecting an equitable distribution of Federal and State relief funds.

Relief agencies required to furnish certain information to State Emergency Relief Board.

Section 2. For the purpose of obtaining information or verifying reports, the State Emergency Relief Board, through its duly authorized representatives, shall have authority at any time to examine the records of any board, corporation, officer or other person required to furnish reports under this act.

Examination of records.