

No. 39

AN ACT

HB 107

Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103), entitled "An act concerning townships of the second class; and amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating thereto," authorizing the acquisition of waterworks systems.

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

Section 1. Section 1601, act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103), known as "The Second Class Township Code," reenacted and amended July 10, 1947 (P. L. 1481), is amended to read:

Section 1601. Contracts With Water Companies and Municipalities and Acquisition of Waterworks Systems.—(a) The supervisors of any township may, by contract with any private corporation or any adjacent municipality owning a waterworks system, provide for a supply of water for public and private uses, to be delivered through lines owned by such company or municipality within such township, or any part thereof. The contract shall provide how and in what manner the cost of such water service shall be paid by the consumers thereof.

(b) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a), the supervisors of any township may purchase or acquire a privately owned waterworks system to provide for a supply of water for public and private uses. If a privately owned water company fails to render service as required by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the supervisors of the township in which such water company is located may, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, exercise the right of eminent domain to acquire the waterworks system of such water company so as to provide a supply of water for public and private uses.

APPROVED—The 7th day of May, A. D. 1965.

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No. 40

AN ACT

HB 443

Reenacting and amending the act of August 8, 1963, (P. L. 582), entitled "An act exempting certain physicians and practitioners of the healing arts from civil liability when acting in an emergency except in certain instances," extending the provisions of the act to registered nurses.

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

Section 1. The title and sections 1 and 2, act of August 8, 1963 (P. L. 582), entitled "An act exempting certain physicians and practitioners of the healing arts from civil liability when acting in an emergency except in certain instances," are reenacted and amended to read:

AN ACT

Exempting certain physicians and practitioners of the healing arts and registered nurses from civil liability when acting in an emergency except in certain instances.

Section 1. Any physician or any other practitioner of the healing arts or any registered nurse, licensed by any one of the United States, who happens by chance upon the scene of an emergency or who arrives on the scene of an emergency by reason of serving on an emergency call panel or similar committee of a county medical society or who is called to the scene of an emergency by the police or other duly constituted officers of the State or a political subdivision or who is present when an emergency occurs and who, in good faith, renders emergency care at the scene of the emergency, shall not be liable for any civil damages as a result of any acts or omissions by such physician or practitioner or registered nurse in rendering the emergency care, except any acts or omissions intentionally designed to harm or any grossly negligent acts or omissions which result in harm to the person receiving emergency care.

Section 2. "Good faith" shall include, but is not limited to, a reasonable opinion that the immediacy of the situation is such that the rendering of care should not be postponed until the patient is hospitalized.

Section ¹2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 7th day of May, A. D. 1965.

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