

demeanor or felony; (4) inefficiency, neglect, intemperance, disobedience of orders, or conduct unbecoming an officer; (5) intoxication while on duty. A person so employed shall not be removed for religious, racial or political reasons. A written statement of any charges made against any person so employed shall be furnished to such person within five days after the same are filed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

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No. 120

AN ACT

HB 801

Repealing the act of March 20, 1818 (P. L. 197), entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the river Lehigh," and requiring the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to fulfill obligations enjoined by the act, and repealing the act of February 13, 1822 (P. L. 21), entitled "An act to incorporate the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company," in so far as rights granted by the act of March 20, 1818 (P. L. 197), are confirmed to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company.

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

Section 1. The act of March 20, 1818 (P. L. 197), entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the river Lehigh," is repealed, and the Commonwealth shall fulfill all obligations enjoined by the act.

The act of February 13, 1822 (P. L. 21), entitled "An act to incorporate the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company," is repealed in so far as rights granted by the act of March 20, 1818 (P. L. 197), are confirmed to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

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No. 121

AN ACT

SB 74

Amending the act of May 4, 1927 (P. L. 519), entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," clarifying the

reassessment of after built property in boroughs, and liability for borough taxes of the owners.

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

Section 1. Section 1302.1, act of May 4, 1927 (P. L. 519), known as "The Borough Code," reenacted and amended July 10, 1947 (P. L. 1621) and added June 11, 1963 (P. L. 122), is amended to read:

Section 1302.1. Additions and Revisions to Duplicates.—Whenever in any borough, there is any construction of a building or buildings after the borough council has prepared a duplicate of the assessment of borough taxes and the building is not included in the tax duplicate of the borough, the authority responsible for assessments in the borough shall, upon the request of the borough council, direct the assessor in the borough to inspect and reassess, subject to the right of appeal and adjustment provided by the act of Assembly under which assessments are made, all taxable property in the borough to which major improvements have been made after the original duplicates were prepared, and to give notice of such reassessments within ten days to the authority responsible for assessments, the borough and the property owner: Provided, That in the case of new construction of single and multiple dwellings for residential purposes, no increased valuation or assessment shall be made when new construction of single and multiple dwellings for residential purposes occurs until there has been a conveyance to a bona fide purchaser, or the premises have been occupied, whichever is the earlier to occur. In no event shall such postponement of increased valuation or assessment extend beyond the date on which the next annual tax duplicate is completed. In the period between the preparation of a duplicate of the assessment of borough taxes and the completion of the next annual tax duplicate, reassessment of newly constructed multiple dwellings which have been conveyed to bona fide purchasers or which have been occupied, may be made not oftener than twice, at times designated by the authority responsible for assessments in the borough. The assessment of any multiple dwelling because of occupancy shall be upon such proportion which the occupied portion of the multiple dwelling bears to the entire multiple dwelling at the time of the reassessment. The property shall then be added to the duplicate and shall be taxable for borough purposes at the reassessed valuation for that proportionate part of the fiscal year of the borough remaining after the property was improved. Any improvement

made during the month shall be computed as having been made on the first of the month. A certified copy of the additions or revisions to the duplicate shall be furnished by the borough council to the borough tax collector, together with their warrant for collection of the same, and within ten days thereafter, the borough tax collector shall notify the owner of the property of the taxes due the borough.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 22d day of July, A. D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

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No. 122

AN ACT

SB 589

Amending the act of August 21, 1953 (P. L. 1323), entitled "An act concerning notaries public; and amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating thereto," providing for the registration of notaries public in the clerk of courts' office in counties of the second class.

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

Section 1. Section 9, act of August 21, 1953 (P. L. 1323), known as "The Notary Public Law," is amended to read:

Section 9. Registration of Notary's Signature; Fee.—The official signature of each notary public shall be registered, in the "Notary Register" provided for such purpose in the prothonotary's office of the county wherein he maintains an office, within thirty (30) days after appointment or reappointment, and in any county to which he may subsequently move his office, within ten (10) days thereafter. In counties of the second class, such signature shall also be registered in the clerk of courts' office within said period. The fee to be charged by the prothonotary for recording a notary's signature shall be fifty (\$.50) cents.

APPROVED—The 22d day of July, A. D. 1965.

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