

be called by the chairman who shall be the Secretary of Labor and Industry or upon the presentation of a resolution of two members of the board. Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 398

AN ACT

HB 1945

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and tractors," specifically providing that combinations of vehicles transporting articles impossible of 'dismemberment may exceed limitations as to length and requiring the issuance of special permits in certain cases.

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

Section 1. The first paragraph of subsection (c) of section 902, act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), known as "The Vehicle Code," amended June 11, 1963 (P. L. 133), is amended to read:

Section 902. Size of Vehicles, Tractors and Loads.—

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(c) No motor vehicle or tractor, except motor buses, motor omnibuses and fire department equipment, shall exceed a total maximum length, including any load thereon, of four hundred twenty (420) inches, except that motor vehicles operated under contract with any school district, private school or parochial school for the transportation of school children and motor vehicles owned and operated by school districts, private schools and parochial schools in the transportation of school children, may exceed such total maximum length by sixty (60) inches. No trailer or semi-trailer shall exceed a total maximum length including any load thereon of four hundred eighty (480) inches, excepting that a refrigerating device attached to the front exterior of a semi-trailer shall be disregarded in measuring the length of the semi-trailer, if the presence or absence of such device would not affect the length of the combination of vehicles in which such semi-trailer is

¹"dismembership" in original.

operated. No combination of two (2) vehicles or tractors, inclusive of load and bumpers coupled together, shall exceed a total maximum length of six hundred (600) inches, excepting that until but not after January 1, 1967, a combination of a trailer or semi-trailer and a truck-tractor which truck-tractor is properly registered in Pennsylvania on the effective date of this act may be of a total maximum length of six hundred sixty (660) inches inclusive of load and bumpers coupled together. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the transportation by a combination of vehicles of articles impossible of dismemberment, which do not exceed seventy (70) feet, in which case such combination of vehicles may exceed the total maximum length as hereinbefore set forth by such additional length as may be necessary to transport the articles impossible of dismemberment in a safe manner.

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Penalty.—Any person violating any of the provisions of subsection (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this section, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) days. Such fine shall be in addition to any penalty imposed by any other section or subsection of this act.

Section 2. Section 905 of the act,¹ is amended by adding after subsection (e) a new subsection to read:

Section 905. Permits for Excessive Size and Weight.—

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(f) Whenever application shall be made for a special permit to operate or move upon any highway articles impossible of dismemberment exceeding the maximum length prescribed therefor in section 902 and the fee provided in this act is paid, such permit shall be issued, but the permit may be subjected to such rules, regulations, conditions or restrictions as the authority granting the permit shall deem necessary, as provided in subsection (a) hereof.

Penalty.—Any person operating or moving a vehicle or tractor or load of a size or weight exceeding the maximum specified in this act, without first having obtained a permit or permits so to do, and any person altering or forging a special permit for excessive size and weight, or pre-

¹ "amended August 14, 1963 (P. L. 979)," in original.

senting or exhibiting an altered or forged special permit for excessive size and weight, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than ten (10) days.

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

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 399

AN ACT

HB 2040

Amending the act of April 1, 1863 (P. L. 213), entitled "An act to accept the grant of Public Lands, by the United States, to the several states, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," exempting certain obligations of any land grant institutions of learning from taxation and repealing inconsistent law.

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

Section 1. The act of April 1, 1863 (P. L. 213), entitled "An act to accept the grant of Public Lands, by the United States, to the several states, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," is amended by adding, after section 4, a new section to read:

Section 4.1. Bonds issued by any land grant institution of learning and loans secured by mortgages, their transfers and the income therefrom, (including any profits made on the sale thereof), shall at all times be free from taxation within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts are repealed in so far as inconsistent and any act of the General Assembly or any ordinance or resolution adopted by any political subdivision imposing a tax on the obligations set forth in section 4.1 are hereby repealed or terminated.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON