No. 455

AN ACT

HB 1524

Amending the act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2017), entitled "An act creating in each county (except of the first class) as a separate corporation, and in each city of the first and second class as a part of the city government, an institution district for the care and maintenance of certain indigent persons and children; prescribing the powers and duties of county commissioners, county treasurers, city departments of public welfare, the State Department of Welfare and the State Department of Public Assistance in respect thereto; abolishing certain poor districts and terminating the terms of directors, overseers, guardians and managers of the poor and poor district auditors, and providing for the temporary employment of certain of them; providing for the transfer, vesting, sale and disposition of the property of poor districts and the payment of their obligations; imposing certain existing obligations on institution districts and on the Commonwealth; regulating the affairs of poor districts until abolished; revising, amending, changing and consolidating the law relating to the care of the poor; and repealing existing laws," increasing the amount the institution district may pay for burial costs in each case.

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

Section 1. Section 403, act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2017), known as the "County Institution District Law," amended September 15, 1961 (P. L. 1311), is amended to read:

Section 403. Provision for Burial of Dependents and Other Persons. —Except as otherwise provided by law, the local authorities of any institution district shall provide for the burial of any person who dies in the county or city, unless his body is claimed by a relative by blood or marriage, or by a friend, or by his fraternal or veterans' organization, or by a charitable organization or by the Anatomical Board of the State of Pennsylvania, and is buried at the expense of such relative, friend or organization. No such burial shall cost more than [one hundred seventyfive] three hundred dollars.

APPROVED-The 22d day of December, A. D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 456

AN ACT

HB 1525

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," increasing the amount that may be spent on burials.

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

Section 1. Section 2166, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," amended July 31, 1963 (P. L. 372), is amended to read:

Section 2166. Provision for Burial of Dependents and Other Persons. —Except as otherwise provided by law, the county commissioners of counties of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes shall provide for the burial of any person who dies in the county unless his body is claimed by a relative by blood or marriage, or by a friend, or by his fraternal or veterans' organization, or by a charitable organization, or by the Anatomical Board of the State of Pennsylvania, and is buried at the expense of such relative, friend or organization. No such burial shall cost more than [one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175)] <u>three</u> hundred dollars (\$300).

APPROVED-The 22d day of December, A. D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 457

AN ACT

HB 1546

Amending the act of June 4, 1943 (P. L. 886), entitled, as amended, "An act creating a Municipal Employes' Retirement System for the payment of retirement allowances to officers and employes of political subdivisions and municipal authorities and of institutions supported and maintained by political subdivisions and providing for the administration of the same by a board composed of certain state officers and others appointed by the Governor; imposing certain duties on the State Employes' Retirement Board and the actuary thereof; providing the procedure whereby political subdivisions and municipal authorities may join such system, and imposing certain liabilities and obligations on such political subdivisions and municipal authorities in connection therewith, and as to certain existing retirement and pension systems, and upon officers and employes of such political subdivisions; institutions supported and maintained by political subdivisions, and upon municipal authorities; providing certain exemptions from taxation, execution, attachment, levy and sale; and making an appropriation," conferring additional rights on certain contributors.

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

Section 1. Section 19, act of June 4, 1943 (P. L. 886), known as the "Municipal Employes' Retirement Law," is amended by adding, after subsection (c), a new subsection to read: