

thousand eight hundred and seventy-one," in so far as inconsistent herewith.

(23) Act of September 29, 1951 (P. L. 1628), entitled "An act providing for an expense allowance for members of the board of inspectors of the Berks County Prison," absolutely.

Section 6. (a) Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act shall take effect immediately.

(b) Section 4 of this act shall take effect as facilities become available on dates and in areas designated by the Governor in proclamations declaring the availability of State correctional facilities.

(c) The clauses of section 5 of this act shall take effect after the respective dates established in subsection (b) of this section.

APPROVED—The 27th day of December, A. D. 1965.

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No. 503

AN ACT

SB 686

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," imposing additional duties on the Commissioner of Mental Health.

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

Section 1. Section 2313.1, act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," amended July 13, 1957 (P. L. 852), is amended to read:

Section 2313.1. Commissioner of Mental Health.—The Secretary of Public Welfare shall appoint, with the approval of the Governor, a Deputy Secretary who shall have the title of Commissioner of Mental Health and who shall be a psychiatrist with at least seven years' training

and experience in the care of patients. The Commissioner of Mental Health shall serve for a five year term and shall be eligible for reappointment. The Commissioner of Mental Health, with the approval of the Secretary of Public Welfare, shall develop plans and programs and make recommendations with respect to the general policy of the Commonwealth's mental health program. He shall initiate, develop and, with the approval of the Secretary of Public Welfare, carry into effect plans and programs designed to prevent, treat and cure the mentally ill. He shall recommend to the Secretary of Public Welfare such professional and skilled personnel as may be necessary to carry out the plans and programs of the department in the field of mental health. He shall organize and institute intensive and specialized training of mental health personnel in order to qualify them for dealing with special problems presented by the criminal population and shall establish, operate and maintain, in the larger district offices of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, units to provide psychological and psychiatric services to the Board of Parole and shall assign to these units trained personnel specialized in psychiatry and psychology. He shall recommend to the Secretary of Public Welfare the appointment of the superintendents of State mental institutions who in turn shall assign, appoint and dismiss personnel of the institutions.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 27th day of December, A. D. 1965.

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No. 504

AN ACT

SB 707

Amending the act of May 31, 1911 (P. L. 468), entitled "An act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvements, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving