township, to make contracts with any insurance company, so authorized, insuring any public liability of the township, and to make contracts of insurance with any insurance company, or nonprofit hospitalization corporation, or nonprofit medical service corporation, authorized to transact business within the Commonwealth, insuring its employes, and/or their dependents, or any class or classes thereof, under a policy or policies of group insurance covering life, health, hospitalization, medical service, or accident insurance, and may contract with any such company, granting annuities or pensions, for the pensioning of such employes, and for such purposes, may agree to pay part or all of the premiums or charges for carrying such contracts, and may appropriate out of its treasury any money necessary to pay such premiums, or charges, or portions thereof. The supervisors are hereby authorized, enabled and permitted to deduct from the employe's pay, salary or compensation such part of the premium, or charge, as is payable by the employe, and as may be so authorized by the employe in writing.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of January, A. D. 1966.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 574

AN ACT

HB 1986

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing and regulating the employment of teacher aides to teach practice driving.

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

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 1519, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," is amended to read:

Section 1519. Teaching of Safe Driving of Motor Vehicles.—* * *

(b) The board of school directors may employ and fix the compensation of qualified persons to teach the practical operation of motor vehicles on the highways, or elsewhere, who shall possess the qualifications prescribed by the State Council of Education. <u>Teacher aides may be used</u>

in the practice driving phase of the standardized program in the public schools of the Commonwealth. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall, upon the request of the local chief school administrator for employment of a teacher aide, provide for an oral examination, a written theoretical examination and a practical examination. In addition, the applicant shall possess the following qualifications: (1) satisfactory completion of the examination provided by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, (2) possess a high school diploma, (3) have a motor vehicle operator's record free of violation of "The Vehicle Code" and other traffic laws and free of accidents, (4) completed a three-credit course in driver education, (5) shall complete an additional nine hours of credit in General and Traffic Safety Education within a three year period of employment, and (6) shall be eligible according to the provisions in section 1209 of the "Public School Code of 1949." The board of school directors may purchase, rent or hire motor vehicles for such instruction and shall procure or require automobile liability insurance in such amounts as the board of school directors shall prescribe covering vehicles owned or operated pursuant to this section. Such insurance shall be for the public liability of the owner of the vehicle, when the owner is some one other than the school district, the employe of the school district, the employe of the owner and the pupil operating the vehicle, against claims for damages, for injuries to person or property. No liability shall attach to any individual, school director, superintendent, teacher or other school authority by reason of teaching safe driving, except that which is protected by the automobile liability insurance policies which are procured by reason of the authority granted herein.

APPROVED—The 26th day of January, A. D. 1966.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 575

AN ACT

HB 2153

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, con-