

and a subpoena may be awarded thereon returnable either to the next or a subsequent term, or to such next or subsequent monthly or intermediate return day as shall have been or may be established for such court of common pleas, either by statute or rule of court or both: Provided, however, That the time to which such subpoena is made returnable shall not be less than thirty days after the award thereof.

Proviso.

Section 2. Any alias or pluries subpoena, or orders for publication, may likewise be made returnable either to the next or a subsequent term, or to such next or subsequent monthly or intermediate return day as shall have been or may be established for such court of common pleas, either by statute, or rule of court, or both: Provided, however, That the time to which such subpoena or order of publication is made returnable shall not be less than thirty days after the award of such alias or pluries subpoena or order of publication: And provided, That every order of publication shall provide for notice by publication at least once a week for three successive weeks as now required by law.

Alias and pluries subpoenas and orders of publication.

Proviso.

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Section 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

APPROVED—The 27th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 265

### AN ACT

To amend section one thousand and three of chapter ten of the act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred and sixty-two), entitled "An act concerning poor relief and the creation and government of poor districts and the administration of the same in all counties of the Commonwealth, except in counties of the first and second class; and revising, amending, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto."

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one thousand and three of chapter ten of the act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred and sixty-two), entitled "An act concerning poor relief and the creation and government of poor districts and the administration of the same in all counties of the Commonwealth except in counties of the first and second class; and revising, amending, consolidating and changing the law relating thereto," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Poor relief.

Section 1003. Guardianship of Pauper.—[When any person shall become a public charge the directors may

Guardianship of pauper.

file a certificate setting forth the fact of chargeability in the office of the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of such county where such person is of full age or in the office of the clerk of the orphans' court of such county where such person is a minor, and attach thereto an inventory of all property, real, personal, and mixed which may be owned by such poor person or to which the directors may believe the said poor person to be entitled, and thereupon the said directors shall be and become to all intents and purposes guardian of the person and estate of such poor person (whether all of such estate be enumerated in the inventory or not) with all the rights at law now enjoyed by guardians of the persons and estates of adults or minor children.] *When any person shall become a public charge, the directors may make application, by petition, to the court of common pleas where such person is of full age, or to the orphans' court where such person is a minor, for a citation upon such person to show cause why the said directors shall not become the legal custodians of all the property; real, personal, and mixed, of such person. Such petition shall set forth the fact of chargeability and shall have attached thereto an inventory of all property, real, personal, and mixed, which may be owned by such poor person or to which the directors may believe the said poor person to be entitled. Whereupon the proper court shall fix a day when the matter shall be determined, and due notice thereof shall be served upon the said person.*

Petition to court.

*On the day fixed the proper court may, after due hearing in open court, make an order constituting the directors guardians of the person and estate of such poor person (whether all of such estate be enumerated in the inventory or not). The prothonotary shall index [the filing of such certificate] the record of such proceedings and order in the name of such poor person in the adsectum equity index, and the clerk of the orphans' court shall index such [certificate] record filed in his office in the orphans' court index, which indexing in either office shall be regarded as notice to the world of such facts. No poor person in such case shall be discharged from such guardianship and his property shall not be released therefrom until he has made application to the proper court by petition for a citation upon the directors and after service thereof has fully satisfied the court that he has become able and willing to resume control of his own person and estate and that the said district has been fully reimbursed for the expense of his maintenance or that all of his estate has been applied thereon. The cost of such proceedings shall be paid by the petitioner, unless otherwise ordered by the court: Provided, That nothing herein shall prejudice the right of an inno-*

Record of proceedings and order to be indexed.

Discharge from guardianship.

Costs.

Proviso.

cent purchaser for value of any personal property of said pauper.

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JOHN S. FISHER

No. 266

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of Highways to join two or more State highway routes, by the construction of connecting roads, under certain conditions, and providing for the payment of damages for land taken in the construction of such connecting roads.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Secretary of Highways is hereby authorized to join two or more State highway routes by a connecting road, whenever the building of such connecting road would lessen the distance between two points on separate routes, or provide a better alignment or grade: Provided, however, That no connecting road constructed under the provisions of this act shall be more than one mile in length.

Highways.

Construction of roads connecting State highway routes.

Proviso.

Section 2. Any connecting road, built under the provisions of this act, shall be constructed and maintained as a State highway, and any damage occasioned by the taking of land for the construction of such connecting road shall be determined and paid in the same manner as is now provided by law in the construction of State highways.

Connecting road to be State highway.

Damage for land taken.

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JOHN S. FISHER

No. 267

AN ACT

Providing for the postponement of the lien of a mortgage and bond accompanying the same to the lien of another mortgage or mortgages and bond accompanying, and providing for the recording of the agreement therefor.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in every case where a mortgage has been or shall hereafter be made and recorded in the proper office in the county in which the land mortgaged is situated, it shall be lawful for the mortgagee or mortgagees, his heir, or their heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, and, in the case of a corporate mortgagee, its successors and assigns, to postpone the lien of such mortgage or mortgages on the mortgaged premises, and the bond or bonds accom-

Mortgages.

Lien may be postponed to lien of another mortgage by agreement of parties.