

Expense of construction.

construct such sidewalk as herein provided. Whenever any sidewalks are constructed by the supervisors the expense of the construction of such sidewalk shall be paid by [the township and] the abutting property owners [in the proportion agreed upon between the supervisors and the property owner before the construction of such sidewalk. Not more than ten per centum of the road taxes raised in the township for the current year shall be used for such purposes] in proportion to their frontage. If such owners fail to so pay the expenses of the construction of such sidewalk, the township supervisors may recover the amount by action of assumpsit, or may file municipal liens therefor against the abutting properties, in the manner provided by law for the filing and collection of municipal liens.

Recovery of cost of construction.

APPROVED—The 28th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 324

AN ACT

To amend section twenty-one of the act, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, nine hundred) entitled "An act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by means of certificates of births and deaths, and burial or removal permits; requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics, as required to be established by the State Department of Health; and, in order to secure prompt and faithful registration of births, marriages, deaths, and diseases, of practitioners of medicine and surgery, of midwives, nurses, and undertakers, and of all persons whose occupation is deemed to be of importance in obtaining complete registration of births, deaths, marriages, and diseases throughout the State, as provided in section ten of an act, entitled 'An act creating the Department of Health and defining its powers and duties,' approved the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and five, and providing penalties for violations of this act"; exempting soldiers, sailors, marines, war nurses, and their dependents, from the payment of fees for certified copies of birth, death and marriage certificates.

Vital statistics.

Section 21 of act of June 7, 1915 P. L. 900), amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section twenty-one of the act, approved seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, nine hundred), entitled: "An act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by means of certificates of births and deaths, and burial or removal permits; requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics, as required to be established by the State Department of Health; and, in order to secure prompt and faithful registration of births, marriages, deaths, and diseases, of practitioners of medicine and surgery, of midwives, nurses, and undertakers, and of all persons whose occupation is deemed to be

of importance in obtaining complete registration of births, deaths, marriages, and diseases throughout the State, as provided in section ten of an act, entitled 'An act creating the Department of Health and defining its powers and duties,' approved the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and five, and providing penalties for violations of this act," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 21. That the State Registrar shall, upon request, furnish any applicant a certified copy of the record of any birth, death, or marriage registered under provisions of this act, for the making and certification of which he shall be entitled to a fee of fifty cents to be paid by the applicant; and any such copy of the record of a birth, or death, or marriage, when properly certified by the State Registrar to be a true copy thereof, shall be prima facie evidence in all courts and places of the facts therein stated: *Provided, That certified copies of the record of any birth, death, or marriage shall be furnished to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, marines, war nurses, and their dependents, without the payment of any fee.* For any such search of the files and records, when no certified copy is made, the State Registrar shall be entitled to a fee of fifty cents for each hour or fractional hour of time of search to be paid by the applicant. And the State Registrar shall keep a true and correct account of all fees by him received under these provisions and turn the same over to the State Treasurer.

Certified copy of record.

Fee.

Evidence.

Proviso.

Charges for search.

Account of fees received.

APPROVED—The 28th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 325

AN ACT

To amend section three hundred and twelve of the act, approved the fourteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred and forty), entitled "An act concerning townships; and revising, amending, and consolidating the laws relating thereto," by providing that the minute book and other records and documents of townships of the second class shall be open to the inspection of any taxpayer thereof.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section three hundred and twelve of the act, approved the fourteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred and forty), entitled "An act concerning townships; and revising, amending, and consolidating the laws relating thereto," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 312. The books of the secretary shall be open to inspection of any person who may have oc-

Townships of second class.

Section 312 of act of July 14, 1917 (P. L. 840), amended.

Books to be open to inspection.