

jurisdiction of magistrates' courts in the City of Philadelphia.' "

Repeal not to affect pending proceedings.

Section 38. The repeal of any of the above-mentioned acts of Assembly shall not affect any civil cause or criminal prosecution or complaint pending at the date when this act goes into effect, in any magistrate's court as then existing and constituted, but all such pending civil causes or criminal prosecutions or complaints shall be proceeded with to the termination thereof, respectively, in the same manner and under the same authority and with like effect as prior to the passage of this act, the full jurisdiction of the several magistrates' courts, as existing and constituted prior to this act becoming effective, being retained for all purpose in respect to pending proceedings therein, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Constitutionality.

Section 39. If any provision of this act shall be held by any court to be unconstitutional, such judgment shall not affect any other section or provision of the same. It is hereby declared as a legislative intent that this act would have been passed had such unconstitutional provision not been included therein.

Effective date.

Section 40. Excepting as otherwise provided herein, this act shall take effect on the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

APPROVED—The 10th day of May, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 443

AN ACT

To amend section five of the act, approved the seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred and fifty-eight), entitled "An act creating a Legislative Reference Bureau; providing for the election of a director by the General Assembly; designating the officers and employes of such bureau, defining their duties, fixing their salaries, abolishing the present Legislative Reference Bureau; and making an appropriation.

Legislative Reference Bureau.

Section 5 of act of May 7, 1923 (P. L. 158), amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section five of the act, approved the seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred and fifty-eight), entitled "An act creating a Legislative Reference Bureau; providing for the election of a director by the General Assembly; designating the officers and employes of such bureau, defining their duties, fixing their salaries, abolishing the present Legislative Reference Bureau; and making an appropriation," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Compilers and clerks.

Section 5. The director shall also appoint a chief compiler, learned in the law, who shall be a skilled *bill* drafter, and who shall receive a salary [of thirty-six] *not exceeding forty-eight* hundred dollars per annum; a compiler and bill drafter, learned in the law, at an annual salary [of three]

*not exceeding four thousand dollars; a compiler and bill reading clerk, learned in the law, at an annual salary [of three thousand] not exceeding thirty-six hundred dollars; a search clerk, learned in the law, at an annual salary [of] not exceeding three thousand dollars; a messenger and file clerk, at an annual salary [of] not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars; a chief clerk, who shall be a stenographer, at an annual salary [of fifteen hundred] not exceeding two thousand dollars; a skilled reference librarian at an annual salary [of eighteen] not exceeding twenty-four hundred dollars; and three stenographers at an annual salary [of thirteen hundred and twenty] not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars each. The salaries of the employes shall be fixed, within the maximum limits above provided, by the director of the bureau, from time to time, taking into consideration the years of service of employes in the work of the bureau. The director may, for a period commencing one month prior to and ending one month after each session of the General Assembly, appoint one bill book clerk at a salary of one hundred and seventy-five dollars per month, and an assistant bill book clerk at a salary of one hundred and fifty dollars per month, and such stenographers as may be necessary at a salary of one hundred dollars per month each.*

Messenger.

Librarian.

Stenographers.

Director to fix salaries.

Bill book clerk.

Stenographers.

APPROVED—The 10th day of May, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 444

AN ACT

To amend sections one and two of an act, approved the second day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, thirty-one), entitled "An act providing for the appointment by the district attorney, in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, of a chief county detective, an assistant chief county detective, and special county detectives; defining their duties; defining their authority; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses, by the county," increasing the number and compensation of the county detectives in second class counties.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one of an act, approved the second day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, thirty-one), entitled "An act providing for the appointment by the district attorney, in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, of a chief county detective, an assistant chief county detective, and special county detectives; defining their duties; defining their authority; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Counties of the second class.

Section 1 of act of April 2, 1919 (P. L. 31), amended.