

Poor district system preserved in excepted territory.

Section 202. Poor District System Preserved in Excepted Territory.—In the counties of Carbon, *Fulton, Cameron*, Centre, Columbia, Lackawanna, Lycoming, Montour, Clinton, Luzerne, Northumberland, Susquehanna, and Wayne, the number of directors, overseers, and authorities in charge of said districts, the manner of their election or appointment and the administrative system of giving poor relief, shall continue as now vested by law, but all of said poor districts shall for all other purposes be subject to the provisions of this act.

APPROVED—The 24th day of March, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 44

AN ACT

Establishing the minimum marriageable age at sixteen years and providing for certain exceptions thereto.

Marriage.
Minimum age.
Proviso.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That after October first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, no licenses to marry shall issue, if either applicant therefor be under the age of sixteen years: Provided, That a judge of the orphans' court shall have discretion to authorize a license to be issued by the clerk of the orphans' court in special cases where one or both persons are under the age of sixteen years.

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No. 45

AN ACT

To amend section twelve of an act approved the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, six hundred and seventy-eight), entitled "An act relating to and regulating the use and operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by, or trailing after, motor vehicles; requiring the registration of the same, and the licensing of all operators thereof; providing the fees therefor, and the disposition of such fees; prohibiting the unauthorized use of, and tampering with, motor vehicles; limiting and defining the powers of cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, and counties as to the regulation of the use and equipment of motor vehicles, and the taxing, registration, or licensing thereof; imposing certain duties on the State Highway Commissioner, and on proprietors of public garages; providing procedure and penalties for violations thereof; and the disposition of fines collected, and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle," as amended, appropriating moneys in the motor license fund for the maintenance and repair of interstate bridges over the Delaware River.

Motor vehicles.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section twelve of an act approved the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws,

six hundred and seventy-eight), entitled "An act relating to and regulating the use and operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by, or trailing after, motor vehicles; requiring the registration of the same, and the licensing of all operators thereof; providing the fees therefor, and the disposition of such fees; prohibiting the unauthorized use of, and tampering with, motor vehicles; limiting and defining the powers of cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, and counties as to the regulation of the use and equipment of motor vehicles, and the taxing, registration, or licensing thereof; imposing certain duties on the State Highway Commissioner, and on proprietors of public garages; providing procedure and penalties for violations thereof; and the disposition of fines collected, and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle," which was amended by the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, two hundred and eighty-two), entitled "An act to amend sections eleven and twelve of an act approved the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, six hundred and seventy-eight), entitled 'An act relating to and regulating the use and operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by, or trailing after, motor vehicles; requiring the registration of the same, and the licensing of all operators thereof; providing the fees therefor, and the disposition of such fees; prohibiting the unauthorized use of, and tampering with, motor vehicles; limiting and defining the powers of cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, and counties as to the regulation of the use and equipment of motor vehicles, and the taxing, registration, or licensing thereof; imposing certain duties on the State Highway Commissioner, and on proprietors of public garages; providing procedure and penalties for violations thereof; and the disposition of fines collected, and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle,' as amended," is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 12. Moneys derived under the provisions of this act from registration and license fees and from fines and penalties collected under the provisions of this act for violations of the same and forfeited bail and other miscellaneous receipts shall be paid by the Department of Highways into the State Treasury, there to be kept separate and from all other moneys in the State Treasury, and to be known as the "Motor License Fund." Except to the extent that the moneys in the said Motor License Fund shall be necessary for

Section 12 of act of June 30, 1919 (P. L. 678), last amended by act of April 27, 1925 (P. L. 282), further amended.

Disposition of fines, penalties and forfeitures.

"Motor License Fund."

Appropriation of
fund.

the payment by the Board of Finance and Revenue of interest and sinking fund charges on bonds of this Commonwealth issued for the purpose of improving and rebuilding highways and for the payment of the compensation of the State's fiscal agent for services in registering, transferring, and paying the interest on such bonds, the moneys which may be from time to time in the said Motor License Fund from whatever source derived, are hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Highways to carry out and enforce the provisions of the act to which this is an amendment and all amendments and supplements thereto, including the penal provisions thereof, for the purpose of assisting in the maintenance, construction, replacement, reconstruction, improvement, and repairs of State highways and of State-aid highways; for the maintenance [of interstate bridges over the Delaware River between this Commonwealth and the State of New Jersey at Milford, Easton, Riegelsville, Point Pleasant, New Hope, Washington Crossing, Yardley, and Morrisville] *and repair of all interstate bridges over the Delaware River between this Commonwealth and the State of New Jersey now owned or to be acquired or constructed from Morrisville, Bucks County, to Milford, Pike County,* and of interstate bridges between this Commonwealth and the State of New York at Hancock, Shohola, and Matamoras; for the payment of the salaries, wages, or other compensation of such deputies, directors, superintendents, bureau or division chiefs, assistant chiefs, experts, scientists, engineers, surveyors, draftsmen, accountants, secretaries, auditors, inspectors, examiners, statisticians, clerks, stenographers, bookkeepers, messengers, laborers and other assistants and employes as may be required for the proper conduct of the work of the Department of Highways; for the payment of the traveling and other expenses of the Secretary of Highways and the other officers and employes of the department; for the purchase, through the Department of Property and Supplies as purchasing agency, of furniture, furnishings, stationery, supplies, materials, equipment, fuel, motor vehicles, and printing and binding necessary for the conduct of the work of the department; for the payment of rentals for branch offices or any other grounds, buildings, or quarters necessary for the work of the department; for the erection and repairs of buildings; for the payment of postage, telegrams, telephone rentals, and toll charges; and rentals for or royalties upon leased office or other devices or machines; for the payment of medical attendance and hospital charges for employes of the department injured in line of duty; and for any and

all other expenses of every kind and description necessary to effectually carry on the work of the Department of Highways as described in the act of Assembly approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, known as the State Highway Act, and the amendments and supplements thereto, and to carry out and enforce the provisions of the act of which this is an amendment, and all amendments and supplements thereto, including the penal provisions thereof, and for that purpose the commissioner is hereby authorized to appoint such employes as in his discretion are necessary; said money to be paid from the State Treasury upon requisition of the Secretary of Highways and after audit and approval by the Auditor General and State Treasurer in the usual manner: Provided, however, That it shall not be necessary for the Department of Highways to purchase through the Department of Property and Supplies as purchasing agency, materials, supplies, and equipment necessary for the construction and repair of highways, but all other materials, supplies, and equipment shall be purchased through the Department of Property and Supplies, as heretofore provided: Provided, That in case any moneys are or have been paid to the State Treasurer as provided for in this section, and to which it appears the department is not rightfully entitled, the person or persons who have paid the same may present a claim to the department for a refund. The said claim, and all evidence presented therewith, shall be presented to the Auditor General, State Treasurer, and Attorney General, who shall consider the same, and if, in their opinion, the department has no valid claim to such moneys, and the same properly belong to the claimant or claimants and ought in equity and good faith to be refunded to him or them, they shall so certify, under their hands and official seals, specifying the amount or amounts to be refunded and the person or persons to whom the same are to be paid respectively. The said certificates shall be filed in the office of the Auditor General, who shall thereupon draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer, payable to said claimant or claimants for the amount found to be due him or them, the said claim to be paid out of the moneys derived under the provisions of this act from registration and license fees and from fines and forfeited bail and other miscellaneous receipts.

Proviso.

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Claim for refund of moneys wrongfully paid to department.

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JOHN S. FISHER

AN ACT

To amend section one of the act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred fifty-nine), entitled "An act fixing the salary of sheriffs in counties of the sixth class; providing for the payment for the care and maintenance of prisoners where the sheriff is the keeper or warden of the jail; requiring all fees and mileage earned by sheriffs in such counties to be paid into the county treasury for the use of the county; providing for the appointment and compensation of deputies and clerks; and prescribing penalties," requiring said counties to pay the premiums on sheriffs' bonds.

Section 1 of act
of May 11, 1925
(P. L. 559),
amended.

Counties of sixth
class.

Salary of
sheriff.

Bond.

Expense of care,
and maintenance
of prisoners.

Section 1. That section one of the act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred fifty-nine), entitled "An act fixing the salary of sheriffs in counties of the sixth class; providing for the payment for the care and maintenance of prisoners where the sheriff is the keeper or warden of the jail; requiring all fees and mileage earned by sheriffs in such counties to be paid into the county treasury for the use of the county; providing for the appointment and compensation of deputies and clerks; and prescribing penalties," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the sheriff in each county of the sixth class shall receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars. Such salary, in addition to any expenses which may be incurred by such sheriff in the performance of his duties, shall be paid by the county from moneys in the county treasury. *The sheriff shall give bond in the manner and in the sum provided by law, and the premium on such bond shall be paid by the county from the county treasury.*

The sheriff in said counties shall not be entitled to any additional fees or compensation for the care and maintenance of prisoners, but the actual expense for such care and maintenance of prisoners shall be paid by the county from the county treasury upon itemized bills rendered from time to time.

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AN ACT

Validating certain proceedings and elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other municipalities, or incorporated districts, had and held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities; to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such proceedings and elections.

Municipalities.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That all proceedings and elections heretofore had and held by any county,