

stitutions shall not be made until the first notice shall have been given by the Commonwealth to the political subdivision that owns such institution that the Commonwealth elects to purchase such institution, and second, that the Commonwealth and such political subdivision have agreed on the purchase price, and that the purchase price therefor has been paid in full, so as to enable the political subdivision to enter into contracts for the building or purchase of land and suitable building or buildings for the care of its indigents, and third, that possession of such institution shall not be given to the Commonwealth until such time as it may be mutually agreed to by the Commonwealth and such political subdivision. The purchase price agreed upon, as aforesaid, may in addition to the payment of money by the Commonwealth, also include the transfer by the Commonwealth to the institution district of the county in which the same is located for the care and maintenance of indigent persons of lands, buildings, furnishings, equipment and other chattels heretofore used by the Commonwealth for the care of mental patients, upon certification by the Department of Welfare, approved by the Governor, that the same are no longer required by the Commonwealth for the purposes of a mental hospital. An authenticated copy of such certification and approval, with reference to the provisions of this act, when duly recorded in the office of recorder of deeds of the proper county, shall operate as a good and sufficient deed of conveyance and assignment of such property from the Commonwealth to the institution district of said county.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 243

AN ACT

To further amend section 1917 of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws 103), entitled "An act concerning townships of the second class; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," by permitting lands or buildings to be set aside or acquired as recreation places, and to provide for the supervision, operation and maintenance thereof without approval by the electors.

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

Section 1. Section 1917 of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three

"The Second
Class Township
Code."

(Pamphlet Laws 103), entitled "An act concerning townships of the second class; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," as reenacted, revised and amended by the act, approved the tenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1481), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 1917, act of May 1, 1933, P. L. 103, as reenacted, revised and amended by act of July 10, 1947, P. L. 1481, further amended.

Section 1917. Approval of Electors for Acquisition of Land.—The township supervisors hereby are authorized, on behalf of the township, to accept the title to lands which may be donated to the township for any of the purposes mentioned in this article, but none of the other powers conferred upon them by *sections one thousand nine hundred and eight to one thousand nine hundred and sixteen inclusive* of this article shall be exercised by them except after the approval thereof by the electors of said township at an election for the purpose held on a regular municipal election day, of which election notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the township is located, said publication to be at least ten days before the day of the election.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 244.

AN ACT

To further amend subsections (a) of sections 1016 and 1112 of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), entitled "An act for the protection of the public safety; regulating the use of highways, and the operation of vehicles, tractors, street cars, trackless trolley omnibuses, bicycles, pedestrians, and the riding of animals upon the highways of this Commonwealth; providing for the titling, including liens, encumbrances, and legal claims; registration of certain vehicles and licensing the operators thereof, upon payment of prescribed fees; prescribing and limiting the powers of local authorities to deal with the subject matter of this act; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, the Department of Highways, peace officers, mayors, burgesses, magistrates, aldermen, justices of the peace, the courts and the clerks thereof, owners of vehicles, and garage keepers; providing that records are admissible as evidence; imposing upon owners, counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, within the Commonwealth, liability for damages caused by the negligent operation of their motor vehicles; imposing penalties; imposing certain costs upon counties; providing for the disposition of fines, forfeitures, fees, and miscellaneous receipts; making an appropriation and providing for refunds," by changing the requirements for stop signs.

"The Vehicle Code."

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