

award a contract to any such architect or engineer in the employ of the Commonwealth or of any county, city, borough, incorporated town, township, or other political subdivision of the Commonwealth.

It is unlawful for any architect or engineer in the employ of the Commonwealth or of any county, city, borough, incorporated town, township, or other political subdivision of the Commonwealth to be in anywise interested in any contract for public work for the incorporated town or receive any remuneration or gratuity from any person interested in such contract.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall forfeit his office and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or to undergo imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

Section 10. All acts or parts of acts are hereby repealed in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 11. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 27th day of May, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

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No. 35

AN ACT

Providing that the town councils of incorporated towns shall have the right to declare vacant the seats of councilmen or presidents of town councils for failure to qualify and for failure to attend meetings or vote upon questions before the council.

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

Towns.

Section 1. Whenever any person elected or appointed a member or president of the town council of any incorporated town who has been notified of his election or appointment shall refuse or neglect to qualify as such member or president of such town council within ten days next succeeding the beginning of his term of office, unless prevented by sickness or prevented by necessary absence from the town, the town council acting without such person may declare his office as member or president of the town council vacant and such vacancy shall be filled in the manner now provided by law. For such actions a majority of the remaining members of the council shall constitute a quorum.

Town council may declare vacant office of any person elected or appointed member, or president, of town council, for refusal or neglect to qualify.

Neglect or refusal of member or president of town council to attend meetings.

Neglect or refusal of member of town council to vote, etc.

Neglect or refusal of president of town council to cast deciding vote.

Offices may be declared vacant.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. Whenever any member of the town council or the president of the town council of any incorporated town shall neglect or refuse to attend two successive regular meetings, unless detained by sickness or prevented by necessary absence from the town; or if a councilman in attendance at any meeting shall neglect or refuse to vote or by his withdrawal from council or otherwise refuse to act in his official capacity as a member of council; or if the president of the town council in attendance at any meeting shall neglect or refuse to cast the deciding vote; the town council acting without such person may declare his office as member of the town council or president of the town council vacant and such vacancy shall be filled in the manner now provided by law. For such actions a majority of the remaining members of the town council shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. All acts or parts of acts are hereby repealed in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Section 4. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 27th day of May, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 36

AN ACT

To amend section four of the act, approved the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws 1965), entitled "An act imposing a permanent and a temporary State tax on fuels used within the Commonwealth in internal combustion engines for the generation of power to propel motor vehicles using the public highways; providing for the collection and lien of the tax and the distribution and use of the proceeds thereof; requiring dealer-users to secure licenses and to file bonds as a guarantee of payment of taxes, penalties, interest, fines, uncollectible check fees and Attorney General's fees, to file reports and to compile and retain certain records; requiring registration of carriers for hire; imposing duties on such persons; requiring persons selling or delivering fuels to licensed dealer-users to furnish information; imposing certain costs on counties; conferring powers and imposing duties on State officers and departments; providing for refunds of taxes, penalties and interest illegally or erroneously collected from licensees; and providing penalties," by extending the provisions of the additional tax for a limited time.

"Fuel Use Tax Act."

Section 4, act of January 14, 1952, P. L. 1965, amended.

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

Section 1. Section four of the act, approved the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws 1965), entitled "An act im-