

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," as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of August, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1368), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 608. Examination of Applicants and Operators.—

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(e) Following any examination, and pending the issue of the operator's license, the secretary's representative may authorize any applicant, who has qualified as an operator, to operate *for a period of thirty (30) days* a motor vehicle or tractor with his learner's permit card, and, when it was required, without being accompanied by a licensed operator, provided such learner's permit card is properly approved for such purpose.

APPROVED—The 3rd day of June, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

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No. 42

AN ACT

To further amend the act, approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 932), entitled "An act relating to cities of the third class; and amending, revising, and consolidating the law relating thereto," by changing the poll tax to a residence tax.

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

Section 1. Section 2551 of the act, approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 932), entitled "An act relating to cities of the third class; and amending, revising, and consolidating the law relating thereto," as reenacted, amended and renumbered section 2531 by the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 662), and as amended in part by the act, approved the seventeenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1262), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"The Third Class City Code."

Section 2551, act of June 23, 1931, P. L. 932, as reenacted, amended and renumbered section 2531 by act of June 28, 1951, P. L. 662, and as amended in part by act of August 17, 1951, P. L. 1262, further amended.

Section 2531. Tax Levies.—Council may, by ordinance, levy and provide for the collection of the following taxes:

1. A tax for general revenue purposes, not to exceed fifteen mills on the dollar in any one year, on all persons and property taxable according to the laws of the Commonwealth for county purposes; the valuation of such property to be assessed as hereinbefore provided.

2. A tax in addition to the above, on all persons and property taxable for county purposes, for the payment of interest on bonded indebtedness, and for sinking fund requirements for the payment of loans.

3. A [poll-tax] *residence tax* for general revenue purposes, not exceeding five dollars annually, on all inhabitants above the age of twenty-one years. Any ordinance of council fixing the rate of taxation for any year at a mill rate shall also include a statement expressing the rate of taxation in dollars and cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of taxable property.

4. The council of any city may, by ordinance, in any year levy separate and different rates of taxation for city purposes on all real estate classified as land, exclusive of the buildings thereon, and on all real estate classified as buildings on land. When real estate tax rates are so levied, they shall be uniform as to all real estate within each such classification; and such rates shall be determined by the requirements of the city budget as approved by council.

APPROVED—The 3rd day of June, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

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No. 43

AN ACT

To amend section 272 of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws 448), entitled "An act relating to fish; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the Commonwealth," by imposing the costs of prosecution in certain cases upon the Pennsylvania Fish Commission.

The Fish Law of 1925.

Section 272, act of May 2, 1925, P. L. 448, amended.

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

Section 1. Section 272 of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws 448), entitled "An act relating to fish; and amending, revising, consolidating, and chang-