

No. 101

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," enlarging the scope of activities and powers of the Historical and Museum Commission, and providing for the use and disposition of moneys credited to the "Historical Preservation Fund."

The Administrative Code of 1929.

Subsections (e), (f) and (i), section 2801-A, act of April 9, 1929, P. L. 177, added June 6, 1945, P. L. 1398, amended.

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

Section 1. Subsections (e), (f) and (i) of section 2801-A, act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," added June 6, 1945 (P. L. 1398), are amended to read:

Section 2801-A. Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.—Subject to any inconsistent provisions in this act contained, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission shall have the power and its duties shall be:

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(e) To transmit to the Department of Property and Supplies, for publication or republication, matters of historical or archaeological interest [and], to cooperate with said department in compiling, heading, printing and distributing such publications, *and to sell publications, postcards and other souvenirs of an historical nature at the State Museum and at historical properties administered by the commission.*

(f) Upon its own initiative, or in cooperation with reputable societies or organizations, to conduct investigations upon historical or archaeological matters relative to Pennsylvania and report the same for public information, *to enter into agreements with responsible private historical associations, foundations and similar organizations or with the National Park Service, for carrying on services or programs, or for the purpose of raising moneys in order to further improve and develop historic*

properties, museums, publications and other functions of the commission: Provided, That said agreements shall be approved by the Governor.

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(i) To accept for the Commonwealth, gifts and bequests of or securities for the endowment of its work in accordance with the instructions of the donors and in conjunction with the Governor, Auditor General and State Treasurer, who shall, together with the members of the commission, constitute a body of trustees for the care of such funds, invest the same in the bonds of this Commonwealth, or of any political subdivision thereof, and to employ the interest and income from such investments for the purposes of the commission, or to apply [the same] *such funds* to such uses as may have been specified by the respective donors of such funds: *Provided, That any donor of money or other property may specify that such donation shall be held in the form in which acquired or that such donation shall be invested in or converted into some other specific property or class of investment, in which case the said trustees shall be relieved of all liability which may result from the imprudent investment of such moneys so long as they comply with the instructions of the donor in this regard.*

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Section 2. Section 2802-A of the act, added June 28, 1951 (P. L. 591), is amended to read :

Section 2802-A
of the act, added
June 28, 1951.
P. L. 591,
amended.

Section 2802-A. Historical Preservation Fund.—All moneys collected by the Department of Property and Supplies from the sale of publications [of] for the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and all moneys collected by the commission from fees [charged for admission to historical buildings] *and sales*, shall be paid into the State Treasury through the Department of Revenue and credited to a fund to be known as the "Historical Preservation Fund," which is hereby created. Except as hereinafter provided, all moneys in the fund from time to time are hereby appropriated to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the preservation, care and maintenance of the historical buildings, *museums*, grounds, monuments, *public records* and antiquities committed to its custody, [and] for the publication and republication of matters of historical or archeological interest, and for the research and editorial work incidental thereto, *and for the purchase of publications, postcards and other souvenirs of an historical nature for sale at the State Museum and at the historical properties administered by the commission.*

Whenever the moneys credited to the Historical Preservation Fund during any fiscal biennium [exceeds] *exceed* the average biennial allocation for the above purposes for the two preceding fiscal bienniums, the excess shall be transferred to the General Fund.

APPROVED—The 27th day of May, A. D. 1957.

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No. 102

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing State associations of coroners and the payment by the counties of certain costs and expenses pertaining to their annual meetings.

The County Code.

Sections 440, 442 and subsection (b), section 444, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended.

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

Section 1. Sections 440 and 442 and subsection (b) of section 444, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," are amended to read:

Section 440. State *Associations Authorized.—County officers of each county may organize for themselves a State association as follows:

(1) The county commissioners, together with the county solicitor and the chief clerk to the county commissioners.

(2) The county controllers.

(3) The sheriffs.

(4) The district attorneys.

(5) The probation officers.

(6) The registers of wills.

(7) The prothonotaries and clerks of courts of quarter sessions.

(8) The county treasurers.

(9) The recorders of deeds.

(10) The directors of veterans' affairs.

(11) *The Coroners.*

Section 442. Deputies and Solicitors May Attend Annual Meetings.—The deputy controller, the deputy sheriff, the deputy register of wills, the deputy treasurer, the deputy prothonotary, the deputy clerk of the courts of quarter sessions, the first assistant district attorney

* "Association" in original.