

No. 308

A SUPPLEMENT

To the act of June 12, 1931 (P. L. 588), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies to acquire lands in Harris Township, Centre County, for the use of the Department of Military Affairs; and making an appropriation," transferring the control, supervision and management of the lands of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission; requiring the commission to complete and thereafter maintain the "Twenty-eighth Division Shrine" thereon, dedicating the same to the officers and men of the Twenty-eighth Division; creating the Twenty-eighth Division Memorial Shrine Advisory Board, and prescribing its powers and duties; and making an appropriation.

**Department of
Military Affairs.**

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

Supplement to act of June 12, 1931, P. L. 588, providing certain land at Boalsburg, Harris Township, Centre County, on which a shrine and cemetery is located and dedicated to the 28th Division, the custodial care of which is now transferred to Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

**Maintenance and
dedication.**

Section 1. The full control, supervision and management of the property located at Boalsburg, in Harris Township, Centre County, acquired by the Commonwealth, pursuant to the act of June 12, 1931 (P. L. 588), to which this is a supplement, including the military cemetery and the shrine erected by the officers of the Twenty-eighth Division, is hereby transferred from the Department of Military Affairs to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Section 2. The commission is hereby directed to complete and, thereafter, maintain the shrine which shall hereafter be known as the "Twenty-eighth Division Shrine," and is hereby dedicated to honor the officers and men of the Twenty-eighth Division who served in World War I. and World War II. and the officers and men of the Twenty-eighth Division who in the future may serve the Commonwealth and the country in combat with any enemy of the United States of America.

Cooperation.

Section 3. The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission is hereby authorized to cooperate with the Twenty-eighth Division Memorial Shrine Advisory Board in carrying out the provisions of this act.

**Creation of
28th Division
Memorial Shrine
Advisory Board.**

The Twenty-eighth Division Memorial Shrine Advisory Board shall consist of three members appointed by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and the Adjutant-General ex officio. The appointed members shall have served in the armed forces of the United States of America while a state of war existed between the United States of America and another sovereign power, and shall be members in good and regular standing in the Society of the Twenty-eighth Division A. E. F.

The terms of appointive members of the Advisory Board shall be four years from the dates of their respective appointments. Term.

The Twenty-eighth Division Memorial Shrine Advisory Board shall act in an advisory capacity to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and shall have power to make suggestions for the improvement, care, maintenance, preservation and enlargement of the Twenty-eighth Division Shrine. Capacity of advisory board.

Section 4. The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the two fiscal years beginning June 1, 1957, for the payment of salaries, wages or other compensation of the superintendent, guards and workmen, which may be necessary, for the completion, care, preservation and maintenance of the "Twenty-eighth Division Shrine," for the necessary cost of materials, freight, fertilizers, seeds and other supplies, for plowing and mowing, for the purchase of trees and shrubs and for their planting, for the construction and improvements of roads and parking areas within the property, and for other purposes in connection with the same as shall be deemed proper. Appropriation.

APPROVED—The 8th day of July, A. D. 1957.

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No. 309

AN ACT

To authorize military leaves of absence for employees of the Commonwealth or its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, agencies and offices, and employees of counties, municipalities, townships, authorities or other political subdivisions of the Commonwealth, who are drafted into the military service of the United States at any time or who enlist therein in time of war or armed conflict; and providing reemployment, seniority and retirement rights.

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

Section 1. Short Title.—This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Veterans Preference Act of 1957." Veterans Preference Act of 1957.

Section 2. Definitions.—The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this act, shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(a) "Be Drafted" shall mean to be drafted, to be ordered into active military service if a member of a reserve component of the armed forces, or in any way to