

gathering, procuring, compiling, editing or publishing news, shall be required to disclose the source of any information procured or obtained by such person, in any legal proceeding, trial or investigation before any court, grand jury, traverse or petit jury, or any officer thereof, before the General Assembly or any committee thereof, before any commission, department, or bureau of this Commonwealth, or before any county or municipal body, officer, or committee thereof.

Applicability to
radio and
television.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) hereof in so far as they relate to radio or television stations shall not apply unless the radio or television station maintains and keeps open for inspection, for a period of at least one year from the date of the actual broadcast or telecast, an exact recording, transcription, kinescopic film or certified written transcript of the actual broadcast or telecast.

Act effective
immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 613

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 25, 1947 (P. L. 1145), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering cities of the second class, cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of the second class, school districts of the second class, school districts of the third class and school districts of the fourth class to levy, assess, and collect or to provide for the levying, assessment and collection of certain additional taxes subject to maximum limitations for general revenue purposes; authorizing the establishment of bureaus and the appointment and compensation of officers and employes to assess and collect such taxes; and permitting penalties to be imposed and enforced; providing an appeal from the ordinance or resolution levying such taxes to the court of quarter sessions and to the Supreme Court and Superior Court," limiting the time within which tax assessments may be made.

Taxation.

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

Act of June 25,
1947, P. L. 1145,
amended by
adding a new
section 1.1.

Section 1. The act of June 25, 1947 (P. L. 1145), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering cities of the second class, cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of the second class, school districts of the second class, school districts of the third class and school districts of the fourth class to levy, assess, and collect or to provide for the levying, assessment and collection of certain additional taxes subject to maximum limitations

for general revenue purposes; authorizing the establishment of bureaus and the appointment and compensation of officers and employes to assess and collect such taxes; and permitting penalties to be imposed and enforced; providing an appeal from the ordinance or resolution levying such taxes to the court of quarter sessions and to the Supreme Court and Superior Court," is amended by adding, after section 1, a new section to read:

Section 1.1. Limitation on Assessment.—No assessment may be made of any tax imposed under this act more than five years after the date on which such tax should have been paid, except where a fraudulent return or no return has been filed.

APPROVED—The 1st day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

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No. 614

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 31, 1860 (P. L. 427), entitled "An act to Consolidate, Revise and Amend the Laws of this Commonwealth relating to Penal Proceedings and Pleadings," further regulating setting prisoners at liberty on bail in counties of the second class.

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

Penal Proceedings and Pleadings.

Section 1. Section 54, act of March 31, 1860 (P. L. 427), entitled "An act to Consolidate, Revise and Amend the Laws of this Commonwealth relating to Penal Proceedings and Pleadings," is amended to read:

Section 54, act of March 31, 1860, P. L. 427, amended.

Section 54. If any person shall be committed for treason or felony, or other indictable offense, and shall not be indicted and tried some time in the next term, session of oyer and terminer, general jail delivery, or other court where the offense is properly cognizable, *or in counties of the second class if any person shall be committed for treason or felony or other indictable offense and shall not be indicted and tried within six months in a court where the offense is properly cognizable*, after such commitment, it shall and may be lawful for the judges or justices thereof, and they are hereby required on the last day of the term, sessions or court, *or in counties of the second class within six months of the commitment for treason or felony or other indictable offense*, to set at liberty the said prisoner

Of the trial of prisoners committed.