

shall be divided equally among them and be paid to the persons or institutions having custody of them.

In the case of a widow or a widow with minor dependents in her custody, such benefits shall terminate when such widow remarries. In the case of minor dependents, except when in the custody of a remarried widow, such benefits shall terminate when all of the minor dependents become eighteen years of age. Neither a widow nor minor dependents shall receive any benefits under this act while receiving benefits under the Federal Social Security Law. The benefits provided by this act shall be reduced by the amount of any workmen's compensation benefits received or collected by any such widow or minor dependents because of the same injury. Payments for the benefit of minor dependents shall be made to the person having legal custody of them.

Termination of benefits for widow and minors.

Section 2. No absence from duty of any employe of a State penal or correctional institution under the Bureau of Correction of the Department of Justice by reason of any such injury shall in any manner be deducted from any period of leave allowed the employe by law or by regulation.

Effect of absence on regular leave of absence.

APPROVED—The 8th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 633

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 25, 1895 (P. L. 275), entitled "An act dividing the cities of this State into three classes with respect to their population, and designating the mode of ascertaining and changing the classification thereof in accordance therewith," changing the mode for the advance in classification of cities upon their increase in population.

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

Cities.

Section 1. Section 2, act of June 25, 1895 (P. L. 275), entitled "An act dividing the cities of this State into three classes with respect to their population, and designating the mode of ascertaining and changing the classification thereof in accordance therewith," amended August 16, 1951 (P. L. 1239), is amended to read:

Section 2, act of June 25, 1895, P. L. 275, amended August 16, 1951, P. L. 1239, further amended.

Section 2. [The classification of said cities respectively, to determine whether they shall advance in classification, shall be ascertained and fixed by reference to their population according to the last preceding United States census, and whenever it shall appear by any such census that any city of the second, second A or third class

Classification of cities, to determine whether they shall advance in classification, to be ascertained and fixed according to last preceding United States census.

Governor to certify fact that a city has attained a population entitling it to an advance in classification.

Classification of cities, to determine whether they shall regress or advance in classification to be ascertained and fixed according to last two United States decennial census.

Governor to certify that a city has changed in population.

Intent of preceding paragraph.

Election of officers.

Terms of office.

Organization of city government.

Government of cities of second class A.

has attained a population entitling it to an advance in classification as herein prescribed, it shall be the duty of the Governor, under the great seal of this Commonwealth, to certify the fact accordingly, which certificate shall be entered at large upon the minutes of the councils of such city and recorded in the office for recording the deeds of the proper county.]

The classification of said cities respectively, [to determine whether they shall regress in classification,] shall be ascertained and fixed by reference to the last two preceding United States decennial censuses, and whenever it shall appear by both of such censuses, that any city of the first, second or second A class has decreased in population below the minimum population figures prescribed for its current classification, or that any city of the second, second A or third class has increased above the maximum population figure prescribed for its current classification, it shall be the duty of the Governor, under the great seal of the Commonwealth, to certify the fact accordingly, which certificate shall be entered at large upon the minutes of the councils of such city and recorded in the office for recording the deeds of the proper county.

It is the intent of the preceding paragraph that the classification of any city of the first, second, [and] second class A and third class shall not be changed because its population [was below the minimum figure for its class] has changed at the time of one United States decennial census, because it is recognized that a change in the form of a municipal government is attended by certain expense and hardship and such change should not be occasioned by a temporary fluctuation in population but rather only after it is demonstrated by two censuses that the population of a city has remained below the minimum figure or above the maximum figure of its class for at least a decade.

At the municipal election *occurring not less than one month after the date of such certificate the proper officers shall be elected to which the said city will become entitled under the change in classification, and upon the first Monday of April next ensuing the terms of all officers of said city then in office whose offices are superseded by reason thereof shall cease and determine, and the city government shall be duly organized and shall thereafter be controlled and regulated by the laws of this Commonwealth applicable to the same under the classification hereby fixed and appointed.

Until otherwise provided by law, cities of the second class A shall continue to be governed, and shall have all the powers, privileges and prerogatives now provided

* "occurring" in original.

by the laws of the Commonwealth relating to cities of the second class.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 8th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 634

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 8, 1957 (P. L. 579), entitled "An act establishing minimum compensation and increments for members of the faculty and administration of the Thaddeus Stevens Trade School, and imposing duties on the Board of Trustees of such school and the Superintendent of Public Instruction," fixing the salaries, increments and added compensation of teachers and supervisors.

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

Section 1. Section 2, act of July 8, 1957 (P. L. 579), entitled "An act establishing minimum compensation and increments for members of the faculty and administration of the Thaddeus Stevens Trade School, and imposing duties on the Board of Trustees of such school and the Superintendent of Public Instruction," is amended to read:

Thaddeus Stevens Trade School.

Section 2, act of July 8, 1957, P. L. 579, amended.

Section 2. Each person heretofore or hereafter appointed to a position as a member of the faculty of the Thaddeus Stevens Trade School shall receive the following minimum salaries and yearly increments for services rendered during the regular school term or years:

Minimum salaries and increments

(1) Teachers holding a standard or college certificate valid for the subjects or grades in which the teacher is giving instruction, minimum annual salary *for the school year 1958-1959* three thousand dollars (\$3,000), *for the school year 1959-1960* three thousand six hundred *dollars (\$3,600), minimum annual service increment two hundred dollars (\$200), minimum number of service increments twelve;

(2) Teachers holding a master's degree and who also hold a college certificate valid for the subjects or grades in which the teacher is giving instruction, minimum annual salary *for the school year 1958-1959* three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600), *for the school year 1959-1960* four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200), minimum annual service increment two hundred dollars (\$200), minimum number of service increments twelve;

* "dollars" not in original.