

feet, more or less, to the aforesaid westerly line of North Blakely Street; thence southwesterly along said line of street four hundred forty-three and eight-tenths (443.8) feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing six (6) acres of land, more or less.

Being part of the same lands described as Section 126 in deed from The Delaware and Hudson Company to the said The Hudson Coal Company, dated May 31, 1927, and recorded at Scranton, Lackawanna County, in Deed Book 367, page 23.

Approval of title.

Section 2. The property shall not be acquired until its title has been approved by the Department of Justice.

Appropriation.

Section 3. The sum of thirty three thousand five hundred dollars (\$33,500), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Property and Supplies for the payment of the purchase price and incidental expenses, including the completion of an abstract of title.

Act effective immediately.

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 8th day of January, A. D. 1960.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 785

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 1, 1907 (P. L. 135), entitled "An act relating to the appointment of stenographers and assistant stenographers to report proceedings in the several courts of common pleas and orphans' courts, courts of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, and courts of quarter sessions of the peace, of this Commonwealth, as well as before commissioners, masters, and special masters in chancery, referees, examiners, auditors, and other officers; prescribing their powers and duties, and when such reports shall be evidence of the facts reported; prescribing their compensation and allowances for expenses, when the same shall be paid by the county wherein such stenographers or assistant stenographers are employed, and when *by the parties to such proceedings; and repealing an act entitled 'An act directing the appointment of official stenographers in the several civil courts of this Commonwealth; authorizing the appointment of stenographers by examiners, masters, referees, commissioners, and auditors; authorizing the appointment of assistant stenographers; repealing 'An act to authorize the appointment of stenographers in the several courts of this Commonwealth, prescribing their duties and fixing their compensation,' approved May fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; repealing 'An act to authorize the appointment of stenographers in the several courts of this Commonwealth, prescribing their duties and fixing their compensation,' approved May eighth, one thousand eight hundred and

* "by" not in original.

seventy-six, and repealing 'An act defining the duty of court stenographers in the several counties in this State,' approved June tenth, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one,' approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven; but such repeal not to revive any law repealed by the said act of twenty-fourth of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven," further providing for the giving of copies of notes of testimony in criminal cases.

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

Section 1. Section 2, act of May 1, 1907 (P. L. 135), entitled "An act relating to the appointment of stenographers and assistant stenographers to report proceedings in the several courts of common pleas and orphans' courts, courts of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, and courts of quarter sessions of the peace, of this Commonwealth, as well as before commissioners, masters, and special masters in chancery, referees, examiners, auditors, and other officers; prescribing their powers and duties, and when such reports shall be evidence of the facts reported; prescribing their compensation and allowances for expenses, when the same shall be paid by the county wherein such stenographers or assistant stenographers are employed, and when by the parties to such proceedings; and repealing an act entitled 'An act directing the appointment of official stenographers in the several civil courts of this Commonwealth, authorizing the appointment of stenographers by examiners, masters, referees, commissioners, and auditors; authorizing the appointment of assistant stenographers; repealing 'An act to authorize the appointment of stenographers in the several courts of this Commonwealth, prescribing their duties and fixing their compensation'; approved May fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; repealing 'An act to authorize the appointment of stenographers in the several courts of this Commonwealth, prescribing their duties and fixing their compensation,' approved May eighth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and repealing 'An act defining the duty of court stenographers in the several counties in this State,' approved June tenth, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one,' approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven; but such repeal not to revise any law repealed by the said act of twenty-fourth of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven," amended June 1, 1959 (P. L. 340), is amended to read:

Section 2. The law judges of each of the several courts of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, and of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace, shall employ the official stenographer or stenographers of the courts of common pleas of the particular county, to report

**Court
stenographers.**

**Section 2, act
of May 1, 1907,
P. L. 135, last
amended June 1,
1959, P. L. 340,
further amended.**

**Employment
of official
stenographers in
criminal courts.**

Proviso.

the proceedings of the said court, whenever requested so to do by any defendant or defendants, or his, her or their counsel, before or during the trial of any case in any of said courts: Provided, further, That in all cases tried in the several courts of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, *if the request or requests for a copy of the notes of testimony are made within ninety (90) days from date of verdict, or at any time if in the discretion of the court such request should be granted*, the defendant or defendants shall be furnished with a copy of the notes of testimony taken at his, her or their request, which said notes shall be paid for by the county in which said case is tried, except, however, that where the court finds that the defendant or defendants making the request are able to pay for the copies, the cost thereof shall be paid by such defendant or defendants and shall be taxed as costs and paid to the county.

APPROVED—The 8th day of January, A. D. 1960.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 786

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and *tractors," prohibiting race or speed contests, including those known as drag races, on highways, and providing penalties and suspension of operating privileges.

The Vehicle Code.

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

Section 618, act of April 29, 1959, P. L. 58, amended by adding a new subsection (a.1).

Section 1. Section 618, act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58) known as "The Vehicle Code," is amended by adding, after subsection (a), a new subsection to read:

Section 618. Suspension of Licenses or Operating Privileges.—

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(a.1) *The secretary shall suspend the operating privileges of any person, with or without a hearing before the secretary or his representative, upon receiving proceedings in which such person pleaded guilty, entered a plea of nolo contendere, or was found guilty by a judge or jury of violating the provisions of section 1040 of this act.*

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* "tractors" in original.