

Cities of second class.

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

Option to join pension fund.

Section 1. Every city or authority employe otherwise eligible to join the pension fund created under the act to which this is a supplement but who is now ineligible to join because of not having done so within the times provided by such act shall have the option of joining such pension fund within six months after the effective date of this act. Any city or authority employe who joins such pension plan shall receive full credit toward his pension under the act for each year of service as an employe of the city or authority upon his producing proof, satisfactory to the pension board, of the number of years of such service and upon his making back payments at the same rate as if he had been a city employe and a member of the pension fund during such period in a lump sum or by installments as may be determined by the board. If the employe is retired before the back payments have been completed, the annuity shall be reduced by an amount equivalent to the unpaid back payments or deduction increases not anticipated.

Credits of service, proof required and payments by employe.

Retirement before completion of back payments.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 23rd day of May, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 119

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," conforming provisions relating to preparation of the State budget to correspond with the fiscal year.

The Administrative Code of 1929.

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

Section 1. Section 601, act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," amended December 30, 1959 (P. L. 2082), is amended to read:

Section 601, act of April 9, 1929, P. L. 177, amended December 30, 1959, P. L. 2082, further amended.

Section 601. Preparation of Budget.—The Budget Secretary shall, in each year, obtain and prepare information necessary for the preparation of a State budget for the following year beginning the first day of [June] *July*. He shall, not later than the fifteenth day of August of such year, distribute to the Governor, to the Lieutenant Governor, to each administrative department, to each independent administrative board and commission, to the chief clerk of the Senate, to the chief clerk of the House of Representatives, to the prothonotaries of the various courts of the Commonwealth, and to all institutions or other agencies which desire State appropriations to be made to them, the proper blanks necessary to the preparation of the budget estimates, with a request that such blanks be returned with the information desired, not later than the first day of November of the same year. Such blanks shall be in such form as shall be prescribed by the Budget Secretary, to procure any or all information pertaining to the revenues and expenditures for the preceding fiscal years, and for the current fiscal year, the appropriations made by the previous General Assembly, the expenditures therefrom, encumbrances thereon, the amount unencumbered and unexpended, an itemized estimate of the revenues and expenditures of the current fiscal year, and for the succeeding year, and an estimate of the revenues and amounts needed for the respective *departments, boards, and commissions, for expenses of the General Assembly, for the Judicial Department, and for any and all institutions, or other agencies to which appropriations are likely to be made by the General Assembly for the year next succeeding. Such blanks shall also request the person returning them to accompany them with a statement in writing, giving the facts, and an explanation of and reasons for the estimates of receipts and expenditures for the succeeding year contained upon the blanks returned. It shall be the duty of each administrative department, and each independent administrative board and commission, to comply, not later than November first, with any and all requests made by the Budget Secretary in connection with the budget.

The Budget Secretary may, under the direction of the Governor, make further inquiries and investigations as to the financial needs, expenditures, estimates, or revenues, of any department, board, commission, institution, or other agency. The Governor may, after giv-

* "departmnts" in original.

ing to each department, board, commission, institution, or other agency, an opportunity to be heard, approve, disapprove or alter the estimates. The Budget Secretary shall, on or before the first day of January next succeeding, submit to the Governor, in writing, the above information, and any additional information requested by the Governor, as a basis for the Governor's estimates for appropriations for the next succeeding year.

APPROVED—The 23rd day of May, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 120

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 12, 1923 (P. L. 692), entitled, as amended, "An act fixing the salary of city commissioners of Philadelphia formerly known as county commissioners in counties of the first class," increasing annual salaries of city commissioners of Philadelphia.

City commis-
sioners of cities
of first class.

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

Section 1, act of
June 12, 1923,
P. L. 692,
amended August
9, 1955, P. L.
312, further
amended.

Section 1. Section 1, act of June 12, 1923 (P. L. 692), entitled, as amended, "An act fixing the salary of city commissioners of Philadelphia, formerly known as county commissioners in counties of the first class," amended August 9, 1955 (P. L. 312), is amended to read:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the annual salary of the city commissioners of Philadelphia, formerly known as county commissioners in counties of the first class, shall be [fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars] *eighteen thousand (\$18,000) dollars.*

Act effective
immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 23rd day of May, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 121

AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, to lease, under certain conditions, real property now under the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Welfare and located at the Dixmont State Hospital, Allegheny County.