

**Interim  
appointment  
by Governor.**

Section 3. The Governor is authorized to appoint three competent persons, learned in the law, as judges of the court until the first Monday of January succeeding the next municipal election from whose number a president judge shall be designated.

**Effective date.**

Section 4. This act shall take effect November 15, 1963.

APPROVED—The 6th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

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No. 289

AN ACT

To provide for one additional law judge of the court of common pleas in the thirty-eighth judicial district.

**Judges.**

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

**One additional  
judge authorized  
in thirty-eighth  
judicial district.**

Section 1. In addition to the judges provided for in the act of January 8, 1952 (P. L. 1844), entitled "An act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth, as required by the Constitution, and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts," one additional law judge is hereby authorized and provided for the court of common pleas of the thirty-eighth judicial district, who shall possess the same qualifications which are required by the Constitution and laws for the president judge of the court of common pleas of the district and who shall hold his office for a like term and by the same tenure and shall have the same power, authority and jurisdiction and shall be subject to the same duties, restrictions and penalties and shall receive the same compensation provided for by law for judges learned in the law as if the same office had been established in the time of and subject to the provisions of the act of June 1, 1956 (P. L. 1959), entitled "An act fixing the salaries and compensation of the Chief Justice and judges of the Supreme Court, the President Judge and judges of the Superior Court, the judges of the courts of common pleas, the judges of the orphans' courts, the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia and the judges of the County Court and Juvenile Court of Allegheny County, certain associate judges not learned in the law, certain state officers, and the salary and expenses of the members of the General Assembly, and repealing certain inconsistent acts."

**Act of January  
8, 1952, P. L.  
1844, amended.  
Act of June 1,  
1956, P. L. 1959,  
amended Septem-  
ber 28, 1961,  
P. L. 1784,  
applied.**

Section 2. At the next municipal election in November, 1965, the qualified electors of the thirty-eighth judicial district shall elect, in the same manner prescribed by law for the election of the president judge of the court of common pleas of the district, one competent person learned in the law to serve as additional law judge of the court of common pleas of the thirty-eighth judicial district from the first Monday in January, 1966, for a term of ten years. Vacancies in the offices hereby created whether caused by death, resignation, expiration of term or otherwise shall be filled in the same manner as is required by law in case of similar vacancies in the office of president judge of the court.

Election and term.

Section 3. The Governor may appoint one competent person, learned in the law, as additional law judge of the court of common pleas of the thirty-eighth judicial district to serve until the first Monday of January, 1966.

Appointment.

Section 4. This act shall take effect November 15, 1963.

Effective date.

APPROVED—The 6th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 290

AN ACT

Creating the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency; defining its powers and duties; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Department of Banking; and making appropriations.

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

Pennsylvania  
Higher Education  
Assistance  
Agency.

Section 1. Establishment.—There is hereby created a body corporate and politic constituting a public corporation and government instrumentality which shall be known as the “Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.”

Section 2. Purpose.—The purpose of such agency shall be to improve the higher educational opportunities of persons who are residents of this State and who are attending approved institutions of higher education, in this State or elsewhere, requiring for admission high school graduation or its equivalence, by lending funds to such persons to assist them in meeting their expenses of higher education in accordance with the provisions of this act.