

place of beginning, containing 0.25 acre, more or less, and being a portion of the premises conveyed under the provisions of section 1 of this act.

Release authorized.

Section 2. In and for the same consideration, the Pennsylvania Fish Commission is further authorized to release the property described in section 3.1 from the restrictions imposed by section 3 hereof and the conveyance made pursuant to this act.

Approval and execution.

Section 3. The deed of conveyance and the release of restrictions shall be approved by the Department of Justice and shall be executed by the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Fish Commission in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Act effective immediately.

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 345

AN ACT

Providing for the observance of October 12 of each year as Columbus Day.

Proclamation.

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

Governor to issue annually Proclamation designating October 12, Columbus Day.

Section 1. The Governor shall issue, annually, his Proclamation designating and setting apart October 12 as Columbus Day, and calling upon the people of the Commonwealth, the public schools and other educational institutions and historical organizations to observe the discovery of the New World with appropriate exercises and programs, to the end that the discovery of America shall be commemorated each year.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 346

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), entitled "An act to consolidate, amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth," authorizing the County Treasurer to retain the fee for the issuance of firearms' licenses.

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

Section 1. Subsection (e), section 628, act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), known as "The Penal Code," amended July 27, 1953 (P. L. 627), is amended to read:

Subsection (e), section 628, act of June 24, 1939, P. L. 872, amended July 27, 1953, P. L. 627, further amended.

Section 628. Uniform Firearms Act.—

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(e) Firearms Not To Be Carried Without a License; Exceptions.—No person shall carry a firearm in any vehicle or concealed on or about his person, except in his place of abode or fixed place of business, without a license therefor as hereinafter provided.

The provisions of clause (e) shall not apply (I) to constables, sheriffs, prison or jail wardens, or their deputies, policemen of the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions, or other law-enforcement officers; (II) or to members of the army, navy or marine corps of the United States or of the national guard or organized reserves when on duty; (III) or to the regularly enrolled members of any organization duly authorized to purchase or receive such weapons from the United States or from this Commonwealth; (IV) or to the members of any organization incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth engaged in target shooting with rifle, pistol or revolver, provided such members are at or are going to or from their places of assembly or target practice; (V) or to officers or employes of the United States duly authorized to carry a concealed firearm; (VI) or to agents, messengers and other employes of common carriers, banks, or business firms, whose duties require them to protect moneys, valuables and other property in the discharge of such duties; (VII) or to any person engaged in the business of manufacturing, repairing, or dealing in firearms, or the agent or representative of any such person, having in his possession, using or carrying a firearm in the usual or ordinary course of such business; (VIII) or to any person while carrying a firearm unloaded and in a secure wrapper from the place of purchase to his home or place of business, or to a place of repair or back to his home or place of business, or in moving from one place of abode or business to another; (IX) or to persons licensed to hunt or fish in this Commonwealth, provided that such persons are actually hunting or fishing or are going to the places where they desire to hunt or fish or returning from such places, or to persons training dogs: Provided, That such persons are actually training dogs during the regular training season: Provided, however, That before any such exemption shall be granted to any person licensed to hunt or fish or who desires to train dogs, such person shall at the time of securing his hunting or fishing li-

cense or any time after any such license has issued, register with the county treasurer the make of the firearm he desires to carry, and the caliber and number thereof, on a blank to be furnished by the Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police. The original registration shall be delivered to the person registering such firearm, and a copy thereof shall be forwarded by the county treasurer to the Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police. The county treasurer shall be entitled to collect a fee of fifty (50) cents for each such registration of a firearm. *In all counties the treasurer shall retain twenty (20) cents of each fee and the remaining thirty (30) cents of each fee shall be paid to the county.* The registration of a firearm, as herein provided, shall be good only for the year for which the hunting or fishing license in connection with which it is granted, is issued.

Any such registration of a firearm may be revoked by the county treasurer issuing the same, upon written notice to the holder thereof, and any person aggrieved by the action of a county treasurer in revoking such registration, may appeal from such action in the manner provided by clause (k) of this section.

APPROVED—The 13th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 347

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second class; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," providing civil service coverage for firemen and fire inspectors.

Second Class
County Code.

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

Heading of
Article XV.;
subdivision head-
ing of (a) and
section 1502;
subsections (a),
(b) and (e),
section 1509;
and section 1510,
act of July 28,
1953, P. L. 723,
amended.

Section 1. Heading of Article XV., subdivision heading of (a) and section 1502, subsections (a), (b) and (e) of section 1509 and section 1510, act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," are amended to read:

Article XV

Police, *Firemen, Fire Inspectors* and Employees
of Jails and Workhouses

(a) Police, *Firemen and Fire Inspectors*

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Section 1502. Exclusive System.—No member of the police force *and no firemen or fire inspectors* shall be