

1297), is amended to read:

Section 5. All joint purchases involving an expenditure of more than [one thousand dollars (\$1,000),] one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500), shall be made by contract, in writing, only after notice for bids once a week for two weeks in at least one and not more than two newspapers of general circulation circulating generally in the joining municipalities. All contracts shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of September, A. D. 1967.

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No. 127

AN ACT

SB 631

To validate acts done and contracts, conveyances, transfers, and mortgages of property made, to or by any corporation of the first class, created or intended to be created by decree of the courts of common pleas, granting a charter, where the applicants for incorporation had failed to register its proposed name as required by law; and to validate charters of corporations of the first class, granted since the sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, where there was a failure to register the name or title of the proposed corporation at the time of filing its application for a charter as required by law; providing for the subsequent filing of such registration; and providing for the amendment of names or titles of such corporations in certain cases.

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

Section 1. Where heretofore any act has been done, or contract, transfer, conveyance or mortgage of any property, been made, to or by any corporation of the first class, after the granting of a charter by decree of any court of common pleas of this Commonwealth, where the applicants for incorporation had failed to register with the Secretary of the Commonwealth its proposed name and address, prior to the granting of such charter as required prior to July 3, 1933 by the provisions of the act of May 16, 1923 (P. L. 246), entitled "An act to provide for the registration and protection of names, titles, or designations of associations, societies, orders, foundations, federations, organizations, and corporations of the first class," all such acts, contracts, transfers, conveyances and mortgages shall be deemed and taken to be valid and effectual for all purposes as if the name of the corporation has been registered as required by law: Provided, this act shall not apply to cases now in litigation.

Section 2. All charters of incorporation, or supplements and amendments thereto, heretofore granted prior to July 3, 1933 by any of the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to applicants for incorporation who failed to register with the Secretary of the Commonwealth the name and address of the proposed corporation, at the time of filing their applications for a charter, as required prior to July 3, 1933, by the provisions of the act of May 16, 1923 (P. L. 246), entitled "An act to provide for the registration and protection of names, titles, or designations of associations, societies, orders, foundations, federations, organizations, and corporations of the first class," shall be and hereby are validated and confirmed, so that said charters shall have the same force and legal effect as if the applicants for incorporation had complied with all the requirements of law relative to the registration of their proposed names and addresses: Provided, however, That any corporation, before deriving the benefits of this section, shall file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, within one year after the effective date of this act, an application for registration of the name and address of such corporation, setting forth the date of its incorporation, and if the name of such corporation does not conflict with any other name, title or designation duly registered according to law, it shall be registered, and a certificate of such registration shall be filed with the records of the court which granted the charter, and such registration shall have the same force and effect as though made at the time or times required by law: Provided also, That in the event the name of such corporation is similar to or so nearly resembling the name, title or designation of any association, society, order, foundation, federation, organization or corporation duly registered according to law, it cannot be properly registered or used by the corporation, and such prior registration is not withdrawn by such other association, society, order, foundation, federation, organization or corporation, such corporation shall be entitled to have its name or title amended, by application to the court of common pleas which granted the charter, in the manner now provided by law for the amendment of articles of incorporation, and a decree granting a change of name of such corporation, where the new name or title has been duly registered as required by law, shall have the effect to validate, confirm, and create such association as a corporation, in deed and in law, with full force and effect as if said association had originally complied with all the requirements of law as to registration of its proposed name and title.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of September, A. D. 1967.

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