

and two of which shall come from the Department of Agriculture as follows: eighty percent of such excess shall be disbursed on a matching fund basis to fairs in amounts not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to any one fair for the purpose of improving buildings and grounds, of adding more land, or constructing new facilities for the proper conduct of the fairs except that a fair shall not be eligible for funds hereunder more than once every three years; such disbursements to be made by the Department of Agriculture according to rules and regulations drafted by the Secretary of Agriculture and approved by the committee. Any balance remaining in the fund shall be returned to the General Fund.

(f) The Secretary of Agriculture shall provide forms for application for the distribution of the funds to county and independent agricultural societies and to youth groups [and] with the exception of disbursements made under subsection (e.1). The Secretary of Agriculture shall prescribe such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and may make such investigations [as he may deem] necessary to determine the validity of any claims and applications for distribution of moneys hereunder.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all eligible fairs taking place during 1968 and thereafter.

APPROVED—The 30th day of November, A. D. 1967.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

No. 299

AN ACT

SB 918

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," authorizing the county commissioners to establish by ordinance a merit system for the selection, tenure, promotion and discharge of certain employees.

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

Section 1. The act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," is amended by adding after Article V, a new article to read:

Article V-A

Civil Service

Section 501-A. Civil Service for Certain Employees.—The county commissioners are hereby authorized to establish by ordinance, a merit system for the selection, tenure, promotion and discharge of employes involved in any work for which the county receives or is eligible to receive Federal or State grants-in-aid.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 30th day of November, A. D. 1967.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

No. 300

AN ACT

SB 949

Amending the act of August 14, 1963 (P. L. 839), entitled "An act creating a county records committee; imposing powers and duties upon it and authorizing the destruction of certain papers and records by the prothonotary and the clerk of courts in counties of the third to eighth class," authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to assist and cooperate with the committee; defining county records; authorizing the disposition of certain county records, and extending its provisions to counties of the second A class.

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

Section 1. The title and section 1, ¹ act of August 14, 1963 (P. L. 839), entitled "An act creating a county records committee; imposing powers and duties upon it and authorizing the destruction of certain papers and records by the prothonotary and the clerk of courts in counties of the third to eighth class," are amended to read:

AN ACT

Creating a county records committee; imposing powers and duties upon it; authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Com-

¹ "of the" in original.