

ized personnel of the United States government, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any of its political subdivisions who use incendiary devices as part of their duties.

APPROVED—The 24th day of May, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

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No. 69

AN ACT

HB 907

Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P. L. 1206), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," authorizing commissioners to transact business other than organizing as a board at meetings on the first Monday of January, and validating certain actions taken and business transacted at such previous organization meetings.

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

Section 1. Section 701, act of June 24, 1931 (P. L. 1206), known as "The First Class Township Code," reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P. L. 1955), and amended March 26, 1957 (P. L. 15), is amended to read:

Section 701. Organization; Failure to Organize.—The township commissioners shall organize on the first Monday of January of each even-numbered year. If the first Monday is a legal holiday the meeting shall be held the first day following. They shall assemble for such purpose at their place of meeting at seven-thirty o'clock post meridian. Until otherwise designated by ordinance, the place of meeting shall be the oldest polling place in the township.

The board shall organize by the election of one of their number as president and one as a vice-president, who, as long as they continue to be commissioners, shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. The president, or, in his absence, the vice-president, shall preside at all meetings of the board, and perform such other duties as are specified in this act or which may be prescribed by ordinance.

If a majority of the commissioners shall not attend at the organization meeting, those present may adjourn the meeting from day to day until a majority attend.

If the township commissioners of any township shall fail to organize within ten days from the time prescribed by this section, the court of quarter sessions, upon the petition of ten registered

electors, verified by the affidavit of one of the petitioners, shall issue a rule upon the delinquent commissioners to show cause why their seats should not be declared vacant. The rule shall be returnable not less than five days from the time of its issue, and after hearing, the court may declare the seats of any delinquent vacant, and appoint others in their stead to hold office for the respective unexpired terms.

The meeting under this section may be considered as a regular monthly meeting for the transaction of such business as comes before it. The first order of business at this meeting shall be organization of the board. Any action taken or business transacted other than organization of the commissioners as a board at any organization meeting held prior to the effective date of this amending act, which is invalid for the reason that the action was taken or business transacted at an organization meeting, is hereby validated and confirmed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 29th day of May, A. D. 1968.

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No. 70

AN ACT

HB 1247

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and tractors," reducing to eighteen years of age the minimum age requirement of persons who may operate a motor bus having a capacity of not more than six passengers.

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

Section 1. Section 605, act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), known as "The Vehicle Code," is amended to read:

Section 605. Age Limits for Drivers of School Buses and Public Passenger Carrying Motor Vehicles.—It shall be unlawful for any person, who is under the age of twenty-one (21) years, to operate a motor vehicle of the bus type in the transportation of pupils to or from school, or to operate a motor bus or motor omnibus in the transportation of passengers except that a motor bus having a capacity of