

to be redeemed from revenues derived from tolls collected at such bridges; transferring to said commission all powers now exercised by existing commission created to acquire toll bridges over the Delaware River; and making an appropriation," is amended by adding after clause (j) a new clause to read:

ARTICLE II.

For the effectuation of its authorized purposes, the commission is hereby granted the following powers:

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(j.1) At its option, to authorize the Department of Property and Supplies to prescribe standards and specifications and make contracts and purchases of various materials and services for the commission, pursuant to the provisions of sections 2403, 2403.1 and 1 2409 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929."

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Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately upon its signing by the Governor and the enactment by the State of New Jersey of a substantially similar act.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

No. 135

AN ACT

HB 2235

Amending the act of October 20, 1966 (Act No. 6, Third Special Session), entitled "An act relating to mental health and mental retardation; authorizing county programs and amending, revising and changing the laws relating thereto and making an appropriation," establishing a deadline for supplying certain information, extending the deadlines for filing certain plans and for securing approval by the department and changing certain other dates.

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

Section 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 512, subsection (a) of section 701 and subsection (a) of section 702, act of October 20, 1966 (Act No. 6, Third Special Session), known as the "Mental Health and Mental Retardation Act of 1966," are amended to read:

¹ "2309" in original.

Section 512. Deadline for Establishment of County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program; Failure to Comply with Minimum Standards; Penalties.—(a) Each county acting alone or in participation with other counties as provided in section 301 shall, by [January 1, 1968] January 1, 1969, submit to the department for approval a plan for a county mental health and mental retardation program. The information and material upon which such plan shall be formulated for submission to the department shall be published and distributed to the counties by the Advisory Committee for Mental Health and Mental Retardation on or before August 1, 1968.

(b) If, by [July 1, 1968] July 1, 1969, any county has not submitted any plan or if although it shall have submitted a plan, it has not made such alterations or additions to such plan as to secure approval by the department, the department shall provide mental health and mental retardation services for such county.

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Section 701. Repeals.—(a) The act of June 12, 1951 (P. L. 533), known as "The Mental Health Act of 1951," is repealed absolutely, effective July 1, [1968] 1969.

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Section 702. Interim Powers of the Department.—(a) Between the effective date of this act and July 1, [1968] 1969, or until such time between said dates as the local authorities shall carry out the responsibilities imposed upon them by Article III, the department shall have the general power to do all things necessary to act for the State or in place of local authorities or their appointees in the designation of facilities and the furnishing of mental health and mental retardation services to the mentally disabled.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

No. 136

AN ACT

SB 1512

Concerning highways and bridges over the Delaware River, and responsibilities of the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission and the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with regard to the construction of additional crossings.