

No. 332

AN ACT

SB 1297

Amending the act of September 2, 1961 (P. L. 1177), entitled "An act fixing the salaries and compensation of members of certain boards and commissions, and repealing inconsistent acts," increasing the maximum amount which may be paid annually to members of the State Civil Service Commission.

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

Section 1. As much as refers to the State Civil Service Commission of section 2, act of September 2, 1961 (P. L. 1177), entitled "An act fixing the salaries and compensation of members of certain boards and commissions, and repealing inconsistent acts," is amended to read:

Section 2. Each member of the following boards, commissions or groups shall be paid traveling expenses and other necessary expenses and per diem compensation at the following rates for each day of actual service.

State Civil Service Commission (not to exceed [\$5,000] <u>(\$7,500)</u>	
per annum), each	\$50
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APPROVED—The 22d day of November, A. D. 1968.

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SB 1507

Authorizing courts of record to grant witnesses immunity from prosecution for or on account of any matter or thing concerning which they were ordered to testify in a proceeding before certain grand juries, investigating committees or commissions and courts of record; making the refusal to testify after such immunity criminal contempt and providing penalties.

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

Section 1. If, in a proceeding relating to organized crime or racketeering before a court, grand jury or investigating body set up

by legislative enactment or by order of the Governor, any person shall refuse to testify or to produce evidence of any other kind on the ground that his testimony or evidence may tend to incriminate him, that person may be ordered to give such testimony. The order to testify shall not be given except upon an order of court after a hearing in which the Attorney General has established a need for the grant of immunity, as hereinafter provided.

Section 2. The Attorney General may petition the court of the county in which such proceedings are being conducted for an order requiring any person to testify or produce evidence, which petition may be joined in by the district attorney of the county where such proceedings are being conducted. Such petition shall set forth the nature of the investigation and the need for the immunization of the witness.

Section 3. No such witness shall be prosecuted or subjected to any penalty or forfeiture nor shall there be any liability on the part of and no cause of action of any nature shall arise against any such witness for or on account of any transaction, matter or thing concerning which he is compelled, after having claimed his privilege against self-incrimination, to testify or produce evidence, nor shall testimony so compelled be used as evidence in any criminal proceeding against him in any court.

Section 4. No person, so ordered to testify or to produce evidence, shall be exempt from any punishment or forfeiture for perjury committed by him while so testifying. Such testimony shall be admissible against him in any criminal action or other proceeding concerning such perjury.

Section 5. Any person who shall refuse or decline to testify or produce evidence of any other kind after being granted immunity and ordered by the court, shall be guilty of criminal contempt, and upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or to undergo imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year, or both.

Section 6. As used in this act—

“Organized crime” and “racketeering” shall include, but not be limited to, conspiracy to commit murder, bribery or extortion, narcotic or dangerous drug violations, prostitution, usury, subornation of perjury and lottery, bookmaking or other forms of organized gambling.

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