

No. 186

AN ACT

HB 1725

Amending the act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304), entitled, as amended, "An act to improve local health administration throughout the Commonwealth by authorizing the creation, establishment and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health in all counties; exempting certain municipalities from the jurisdiction of single-county or joint-county departments of health; permitting the dissolution of departments or boards of health in certain municipalities; authorizing State grants to counties which establish departments of health and to certain municipalities if they meet prescribed requirements; conferring powers and duties upon the State Department of Health in connection with the creation, establishment and administration of single-county or joint-county departments of health and administration of the health laws in parts of certain municipalities not subject to the jurisdiction of single-county or joint-county departments of health, and the administration of State grants; and repealing an act which confers health powers upon counties of the first class," changing penalties.

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

Section 1. Section 27, act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304), known as the "Local Health Administration Law," amended August 11, 1967 (P.L.202), is amended to read:

Section 27. Penalties.— *(a) Summary Offenses.* Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act or any rule or regulation of the county department of health, or who interferes with a health director or any other agent of a county department of health in the discharge of his official duties, shall, for **[every such]** *the first* offense, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any alderman or justice of the peace of the county wherein said offense was committed, or before any police magistrate if such offense be committed in a city of the second class, be sentenced to pay **[a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), to be paid to the use of said county, together with costs, or to be imprisoned in the county jail for a period of not more than thirty (30) days, or both, at the discretion of the court. All prosecutions shall be brought in the name of the county wherein the alleged offense is committed.]** *the costs of prosecution and a fine of not less than thirty dollars (\$30) nor more than three hundred dollars (\$300), and, in default thereof, to undergo imprisonment of not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days.*

(b) Misdemeanors. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act or any rule or regulation of the county department of health, or who interferes with a health director or any other agent of a county department of health in the discharge of his official duties, convicted of a second or subsequent offense, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than

five hundred dollars (\$500) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding one (1) year, or both.

(c) Separate Offenses. For the purpose of this section, violations on separate days shall be considered separate offenses.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of July, A. D. 1970.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 186.


Secretary of the Commonwealth.