

No. 162

AN ACT

SB 458

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," increasing the authorized rate of tax in third class counties.

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

Section 1. Section 1770, act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323), known as "The County Code," amended July 29, 1970 (P.L.647), is amended to read:

Section 1770. Tax Levies.—No tax shall be levied on personal property taxable for county purposes where the rate of taxation thereon is fixed by law other than at the rate so fixed. The county commissioners shall fix, by resolution, the rate of taxation for each year. No tax for general county purposes in counties of the *third*, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes, exclusive of the requirements for the payment of the interest and principal of the funded debt of any such county and for the payment of rentals to any municipal authority, shall in any one year exceed the rate of twenty mills on every dollar of the adjusted valuation. Tax for payment of rentals to any municipal authority shall not exceed the rate of ten mills on every dollar of the adjusted valuation and shall be in addition to the twenty mill limitation for general county purposes. **[No tax for general county purposes in counties of the third class, exclusive of the requirements for the payment of the interest and principal of the funded debt of any such county and for the payment of rentals to any municipal authority, shall in any one year exceed the rate of fifteen mills on every dollar of adjusted valuation. Tax for payment of rentals to any municipal authority shall not exceed the rate of ten mills on every dollar of the adjusted valuation and shall be in addition to the twenty mill limitation for general county purposes.]** In fixing the rate of taxation, the county commissioners, if the rate is fixed in mills, shall also include in the resolution a statement expressing the rate of taxation in dollars and cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of taxable property.

The rate of taxation fixed for any occupation tax levied by a county of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth class shall not in any one year exceed twenty mills. The county commissioners may, by resolution, abolish the levy and collection of occupation taxes for county purposes.

The county commissioners of counties of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes may levy and collect an annual per capita tax on persons for county purposes.

No tax shall be levied and collected for county purposes on offices and posts of profits, or on professions, trades and occupations at the same time during which a per capita tax on persons is levied and collected for county purposes.

Any per capita taxes levied upon and collected from any person shall not in any one year exceed a total of five dollars (\$5) for county and institution district purposes.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 15th day of December, A. D. 1971.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 162.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. McLaughlin Tucker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and "T".

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*