

ever, prior to the completion and acceptance of said building, shall the total payments on account to the contractor exceed ninety per centum (90%) of the total cost of the work done thereon.

Method of  
payment.

Section 4. Payments on account of such contract shall be made upon requisition by the Adjutant General on the Auditor General, and payment thereof made as other warrants are paid.

Contracts.

Section 5. All contracts for the furnishing and equipment of said buildings shall be subject to the same rules, regulations, and stipulations herein provided for and governing the contracts for construction of said buildings.

Appropriation.

Section 6. The sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Adjutant General for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

APPROVED—The 27th day of May, A. D. 1921, in the sum of \$25,000. I withhold my approval from the remainder of said appropriation because of insufficient State revenue.

WM. C. SPROUL.

No. 435.

AN ACT

Providing a bonus for the residents of this Commonwealth who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the World War; creating a Soldiers' Bonus Commission, and prescribing its powers and duties; and making an appropriation.

Soldiers, sailors,  
and marines.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the word "soldier," as used in this act, shall include any person, male or female, who was commissioned, enlisted, or inducted, who was a part of the military or naval forces of the United States in the World War, and who was a legal resident of this Commonwealth at the time he or she was commissioned, enlisted, or inducted into the military or naval service of the United States, and who has been given an honorable discharge, furloughed to the reserve, or has been retired from such service.

Bonus.

Section 2. Any soldier who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the World War shall be entitled to and shall receive a bonus for such service, on the basis of ten dollars (\$10.00) for each month of service between April sixth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and June first, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen: Provided, That no soldier

Amount.

shall be entitled to receive any amount in the aggregate under this act in excess of two hundred dollars (\$200.00). The total number of months spent in the service shall be the basis on which the bonus is paid. A part of a month shall be considered a whole month.

Maximum amount.

Section 3. No payments shall be made to any soldier who entered the service of the United States after November eleventh, nineteen hundred and eighteen, or who served for a period of less than sixty (60) days active service; and be it further provided that the bonus provided in this act shall not be paid to any of the following: Soldiers who entered the regular military or naval forces of the United States prior to January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, conscientious objectors, men discharged from the draft or service for reasons filed by the applicant for a bonus, or applicant who filed exemption from service for any reason.

Who are entitled.

Section 4. In case any soldier entitled to a bonus under this act has died, such bonus shall be paid to the next of kin, if dependent upon deceased soldier at time of death.

Death of beneficiary.

Section 5. For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act, there is hereby created a commission, to be known as "The Soldiers' Bonus Commission." Such commission shall consist of the Auditor General, the State Treasurer, and the Adjutant General of the Commonwealth, and one veteran of the World War appointed by the Governor. The members of the commission shall receive no compensation for their services as such, but shall be allowed all expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of the duties herein prescribed. It shall be the duty of such commission to investigate all claims and applications filed with it under the provisions of this act, and, if satisfied of the sufficiency of such claim or application, to approve the same and direct payment thereof.

Soldiers' Bonus Commission.

Compensation.

Duties.

Section 6. For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act, the "Soldiers' Bonus Commission" is hereby authorized and empowered to make such rules and regulations hereunder as to them shall seem necessary. The commission shall prepare and distribute application blanks, and all applications for a bonus under the provisions of this act shall be made to the commissioner upon application blanks provided for that purpose. All such applications for a bonus shall be made within one year after this act becomes operative.

Rules and regulations.

Blanks.

Printing.

All printing necessary to carry out the provisions of this act shall be done by the State Printer, on the requisition of the commission to the Department of Public Printing and Binding.

Section 7. The commission is hereby authorized

Clerks, salaries, and expenses.

Appropriation.

to employ the necessary clerical help and fix their salaries, and, for the purpose of paying for said clerical services, postage, and other necessary expenses, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated.

How funds shall be raised.

For the purpose of paying the bonus herein provided for, a fund shall be raised by taxation or otherwise, in a manner to be hereafter provided by the General Assembly.

APPROVED—The 27th day of May, A. D. 1921, in the sum of \$5,000. I withhold my approval from the remainder of said appropriation because of insufficient State revenue.

WM. C. SPROUL.

No. 436.

## AN ACT

Dedicating certain lands of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, situated in the city and county of Erie, to public use as an historical memorial and public State park; aiding in the development of the harbor of Erie; and creating a commission to manage and control said lands and said harbor improvements; empowering said commission to purchase or receive by gift other lands for the purpose of this act; providing for the appointment of members of said commission, and that the Secretary of Internal Affairs and the Commissioner of Fisheries shall be ex officio members thereof; defining the duties and powers of said commission; excepting rights and privileges in said lands heretofore granted; and making an appropriation.

Pennsylvania State  
Park and Harbor  
Commission of  
Erie.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That there be, and is hereby, created a commission, which shall be known as the Pennsylvania State Park and Harbor Commission of Erie. Said commission shall consist of nine persons, three to be appointed by the Governor, two by the council of the city of Erie, two by the judges of the judicial district of the county of Erie, and the Secretary of Internal Affairs and the Commissioner of Fisheries to be members ex officio.

Term of office.

Section 2. The term of office shall be for four years, but those first appointed by the Governor shall serve for four years; by the council for the city of Erie, for three years; and by the judges of the judicial district of the county of Erie, for two years. Upon the expiration of the term for which they shall have been appointed, their successors shall be appointed to serve the full term of four years.

Organization.

Section 3. As soon as possible after the approval of this act, said commission shall meet and organize by the election of a president and vice president, and shall meet and effect a like organization annually thereafter.