a license or permit for, the erection and making there- Incense. of, and cause the fact of the issue of such license or permit to be recorded in his office, in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, and such license or permit shall not be unreasonably withheld: Provided, That necessary repairs, costing one hundred dollars or less and not affecting the stability or strength of the structure, may be made without first procuring a license or permit.

Whenever any person or persons shall desire to construct, extend, alter, improve or repair any structure to be erected, or already erected, pn ground supported by bulkheads, and to be used, or already used, for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or freight on or from vessels; or any structure to be physically connected, or already physically connected, or to be used or already used, as appurtenant to any wharf or structure hereinbefore described, situate within any city of the first class,—and for such purpose he or they shall have applied for a permit from the Bureau of Building Inspection in said city, the said Bureau of Building Inspection shall notify the director of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, of such application, and shall thereafter grant the permit applied for, only when the application shall have received the approval of the said director, which he is hereby empowered to grant.

The cities of the first class may, by ordinance, regulate and determine the license fees for the license and approval required by the provisions of this act.

APPROVED—The 27th day of April, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 192.

## AN ACT

To amend clause forty-four of section two of article one of chapter five of an act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred and twelve), entitled "An act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That clause fortyfour, chapter five, article one, section two of an act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred and twelve), entitled "An act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," which was added to said act by the act, approved the four-

Construction, alteration or repair of structure supported by bulkheads used for loading.

Appurtenant struc-

Application for permit.

When permit granted.

Fixing of license

Clause 44, chapter V, article 1, section 2 of act of May 14, 1915 (P. L. 312), amended by act of April 14, 1921 (P. L. 147), amended.

teenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred and forty-seven), entitled "An act to amend section two of article one of chapter five of an act, approved the four-teenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred and twelve), entitled 'An act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs,' " is hereby amended to read as follows:

Contracts and purchases.

XLIV. To make contracts or purchases in connection with proper legal requirements of the borough: Provided, That all contracts or purchases, other than purchases for water, electric light, and other public works of the borough, or for improvement made by its employes, or where the State or county is a party with the borough to a street improvement made by any borough involving an expenditure of over five hundred dollars (\$500) shall be in writing, and shall not be made except with and from the lowest responsible bidder, after due public notice by the secretary, published once a week for three weeks, at intervals of seven days, in one newspaper published in such borough, and, if no newspaper is published therein, then by publication in one newspaper of the county, and such bids shall be received, opened, and read in open meeting of council at a time fixed by such notice and not earlier than twenty-one days after the first publication thereof.

Involving over \$500.

Notice.

Opening of bids.

Notice in case of emergency.

Acceptance of bids.

In case of an emergency, so declared by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members of said council, or a majority of council plus one when the number composing such council is less than nine, the notice shall be published at least one week prior to the time fixed therein for opening bids.

The acceptance of bids shall only be made by public announcement, at the meeting at which bids are received, or at a subsequent meeting the time and place of which shall be publicly announced when bids are received. If for any reason one or both of the above meetings shall not be held, the same business may be transacted at subsequent meetings, provided that one week's notice thereof shall be published in the newspaper aforesaid.

APPROVED-The 27th day of April, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.