

No. 286.

## AN ACT

To amend section one of article thirteen of an act, approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nominations and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," by authorizing cities to construct house connections from sewers to curbs and to assess the cost thereof to property owners.

Cities of third class.

Sewers.

Section 1 of article 13, of act of June 27, 1913 (P. L. 568), amended.

Sewers of all kinds, including connections to the curb, may be constructed.

Tapping fee.

Assessments for sewers.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one of article thirteen of an act, approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The council of any city of the third class shall have power, subject to the provisions of existing laws, without petition therefor, to construct and reconstruct, or cause to be constructed, sewers of all kinds, *including house connections to the curb*, in its public streets, lanes, alleys, highways, and over and across public and private lands or property, and to pay the cost and expense thereof out of the general revenues, or special funds raised for said purpose, or to assess the same, in whole or in part, upon abutting property, as hereinafter mentioned; and, where the cost of constructing any sewer is paid for wholly from city funds, the respective city shall have authority to charge a reasonable fee for tapping or connecting with said sewer. In the case of the construction of main sewers, or of any sewer which can be used in part for main sewerage purposes, and in all cases where said sewer will also serve as a local sewer, the said city is authorized to and may provide for assessing the abutting property with the local sewerage part thereof according to the front, or the assessed valuation of the said property for city purposes, or according to benefits. The cost of all main sewers, or of any sewers used in part for main sewerage purposes, over and above the amount assessed for local sewerage as above provided, shall be paid for from the city funds as aforesaid. Council may also provide that the cost and expenses of local, lateral, branch, *including house connections to the curbs*, and other sewers, may be assessed against the

abutting property according to the foot-front, or according to the assessed valuation thereof for city purposes, or according to benefits. And it shall be lawful for any such city to construct, or cause to be constructed, a sewerage system of sewers in streets, lanes, alleys, and highways, with extensions thereof, and with lateral and branch sewers therefrom, in other streets, lanes, alleys, and highways, and in public or private lands, at the same time, as part of the same improvement, and under the same contract, and the cost and expense thereof may be assessed as is herein provided.

System may be constructed.

APPROVED—The 6th day of May, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

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### AN ACT

Ratifying and confirming all of the actions of the "Pennsylvania Commission" and of the "Joint Commission," created by the act, approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred fourteen), entitled "An act providing for the erection and construction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of a bridge over the Delaware River, connecting the city of Philadelphia and the city of Camden, and the approaches thereto; providing for a joint commission for that purpose, and defining its powers and duties; providing for an independent commission in this Commonwealth in relation thereto, and defining its powers and duties; providing for the payment of a part of the cost thereof by the city of Philadelphia; and providing for the acquiring, taking, and condemnation of the real estate for the site and approaches thereof; providing for the turning over of said bridge upon its completion; and making an appropriation for the purposes of this act," as amended, in which the Governor, the Auditor General, and the State Treasurer of this Commonwealth, or any of them have participated since June fifteenth, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c.. That every act done since the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, by the "Pennsylvania Commission" and by the "Joint Commission" aforesaid in which the Governor, the Auditor General, and the State Treasurer of this Commonwealth, or either of them participated, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Inter-state bridge across Delaware River from Philadelphia to Camden.

Ratification of acts of commissions.

APPROVED—The 6th day of May, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.