

for the preference or priority in procuring loans; and it shall be competent and lawful for the borrower from such association to agree, in writing, upon a given rate of premiums, not to exceed two per centum per annum upon the amount of the loan, in addition to the interest to be paid upon such loan, without bidding for preference or priority. And no premium contracted for under this section, with or without bidding, shall be deemed usurious although in excess of the legal rate of interest.

APPROVED—The 8th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 151

AN ACT

Authorizing a married woman, granted a divorce from bed and board, to convey and encumber her real estate, without the joinder of her husband.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever a decree of divorce from bed and board may have been heretofore, or shall be hereafter, granted to any married woman by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall and may be lawful for such married woman to encumber, by mortgage or otherwise, or to grant, convey, or otherwise dispose of, real estate in this Commonwealth, or any interest therein, however and whenever acquired, whether before or after the entry of such decree, with as full and complete power in all respects as if she were a feme sole, and without her husband joining in, consenting to, or acknowledging any deed, mortgage, or other instrument, executed pursuant to the power aforesaid: Provided, That such power shall endure so long as such decree of divorce shall remain in force and shall terminate only upon the full and complete discharge and annulment of such decree.

Real estate.  
Woman granted  
divorce from bed  
and board may  
convey.

Proviso.

Section 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

APPROVED—The 11th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 152

AN ACT

Creating a commission to provide for the erection of an additional interstate bridge over the Delaware River between Philadelphia and a point in the State of New Jersey, and making an appropriation therefor.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That there is hereby created a Delaware River Bridge Commission, to be known as the Pennsylvania Commission Number Two, which shall be composed of the Governor, the Auditor

Delaware River  
bridges.  
Pennsylvania  
Commission  
Number Two.

General, the State Treasurer, the mayor of the city of Philadelphia, and four other citizens of the Commonwealth, two of whom shall be appointed by the Governor and two by the mayor of the city of Philadelphia.

Power of Commission.

The Pennsylvania Commission Number Two is hereby authorized to act, jointly and in agreement with the New Jersey Interstate Bridge and Tunnel Commission, or with such other board, commission or body as may be duly constituted by the State of New Jersey, as a joint commission, and to proceed by full and complete borings, surveys, engineering studies, investigations, bearings, and all other matters incidental and pertaining thereto, to determine the proper location, type of construction, and cost of construction, operation, and maintenance of an additional bridge, with the necessary approaches thereto, across the Delaware River connecting the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at a point between Snyder Avenue and the mouth of the Schuylkill River, with a corresponding point in the State of New Jersey. The exact location of said proposed bridge shall be fixed by joint commission.

Report of findings.

Section 2. The Pennsylvania Commission Number Two shall fully report its findings, pursuant to section one of this act, at the first legislative session after the completion thereof.

Appropriation.

Section 3. The sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Pennsylvania Commission Number Two, to carry out the provisions of this act, and for the payment of the expenses of the commission, and the compensation of such employes and experts as it may deem necessary. This appropriation is made by the Commonwealth on condition that a similar amount is appropriated and made available by the city of Philadelphia for the use of the commission for like purposes.

Condition.

APPROVED—The 11th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 153

AN ACT

To amend section nine of the act, approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred nine), entitled "An act relating to the organization, maintenance, and operation of the Department of Banking, and the scope of its supervision and control over corporations, partnerships, unincorporated associations, and individuals, and the assets and liabilities thereof; providing penalties for the enforcement of its provisions; and repealing The Banking Department Act of nineteen hundred and nineteen, with table of contents"; requiring building and loan associations to pay the cost of examinations by the Department of Banking.

Banks.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section nine of the act, approved the fifteenth day of June, one thou-