Municipal airports.

Airports of United States. No municipal airport or landing field shall hereafter be established in this Commonwealth unless a license therefor shall be issued by the department. This section shall not have application to airports and landing fields established by the Government of the United States.

Regulations not to conflict with those of United States. Section 3. The regulations of the department shall not be inconsistent with, or contrary to, any regulation adopted by the Secretary of Commerce of the United States, or inconsistent with the laws of the United States, or the rules and regulations of any department thereof.

Violations.

Section 4. Any person violating the provisions of this act, or any of the regulations of the Department of Internal Affairs, made and promulgated under the authority of this act, shall, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any magistrate, alderman, or justice of the peace, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and, in default of the payment of such fine and costs, undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty days.

Penalty.

Definitions.

Section 5. As used in this act, "civil aircraft" means aircraft not of the armed forces of a state or county; "airmen" means an individual (including the person in command and any pilot, mechanic, or member of the crew) who engages in the operation of aircraft while under way, and any individual in charge of the inspecting, overhauling or repairing of aircraft; and "air navigation facilities" includes airports, landing fields, and water surfaces for landing aircraft, and all aids to air navigation, such as lights, marks, structures, and electrical communicating systems.

Approved—The 26th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 251

# AN ACT

To amend section three of article nine of the act, approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred fifty-six), entitled "An act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith."

Bituminous coal mines.

Section 3, article 9, of act of June 9, 1911 (P. L. 756), amended. Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section three of article nine of the act, approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred fifty-six), entitled "An act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in

and about the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith" is hereby amended to read as

follows:

Section 3. [The mine foreman shall see that proper cut-throughs are made in all the room pillars, at such distances apart as in the judgment of the inspector may be deemed requisite, not more than thirty-five nor less than sixteen yards each, for the purpose of ventilation. Cut-throughs in entry pillars and in pillars of rooms driven in the "room and pillar" system of mining shall be provided, not less than sixteen yards nor more than thirty-five yards apart. In mines or portions of mines developed for the purpose of mining by a system other than the "room and pillar," all openings, except entries, may be driven one hundred yards without cut-throughs, provided the following regulations are enforced:

That sufficient air be circulated to and along the face of each entry, cut-through chamber, or other opening to sweep away and render harmless all smoke, noxious and explosive gases.

II. In gaseous mines there shall be kept, at the face of every working place, while the men are at work, at least one approved flame safety lamp, if such place is driven more than one hundred and five feet without a cut-through.

That in every mine, where a working place is driven more than one hundred and five feet without a cut-through, said place shall be examined by a mine official at least three times a day while the men are or should be at work.

IV. In gaseous mines, where it is necessary to drive openings more than one hundred and five feet off any entry or other road, not more than four such places shall be advanced at the same time, and not more than six places shall be advanced at the same time in any air split without proper connection with the air circuit.

V. Booster and/or blower fans shall not be used in gaseous mines for the purpose of ventilating workings having no connection with the air circuit, unless equipped with government approved, flame-proof, electric motor: Provided, however, That the location of such fans shall have the approval of the inspector of the district.

VI. In all gaseous mines, where places are driven more than one hundred and five feet without the formation of an air circuit, the coal dust in the entries shall be rendered inert to explosibility, by the application of shale dust or any other incombustible material, and the coal dust in all other openings shall be taken care of as now provided by law.

APPROVED—The 27th day of April, A. D. 1927. JOHN S. FISHER Cut-throughs.

Regulations when "room and pillar" system not used.

## No. 252

# AN ACT

Providing that highways, or sections thereof, abandoned as State highway routes, shall revert for maintenance to the party or parties responsible for the maintenance of said highways prior to their coming under the jurisdiction of the Department of Highways.

Highways abandoned as State highway routes.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That where any section of a State highway route, as now or hereafter defined by law, shall be, or has been, relocated under the authority of existing laws, the portion of the public road or highway, thus abandoned as a State highway route, shall be maintained by, and at the expense of, the authorities responsible for the maintenance of said public road or highway prior to its having been established as a State highway.

Responsibility for maintenance.

Repeal.

Section 2. That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 27th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

#### No. 253

## AN ACT

To amend clause mineteen, section one thousand two hundred and ten of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred and nine), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended, by enlarging the powers of the State Council of Education for ascertaining the valuation per teacher in school districts of the fourth class.

Public Schools.

Clause 19, section 1210 of act of May 18, 1911, (P. L. 309), last amended by act of April 30, 1925, (P. L. 374), further amended. Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That clause nineteen, section one thousand two hundred and ten of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred and nine), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as last amended by act, approved the thirtieth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and