

lection of the same, or affect the sale of any lands pursuant to such existing laws; and as to taxes heretofore returned to the county commissioners pursuant to existing laws, this act shall be so construed only as to affect the remedy for enforcing collection of such taxes so returned on which proceedings for collection have not been heretofore instituted.

Section 20. The provisions of this act shall be severable, and if any of its provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional, the decision of the court shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this act. It is hereby declared as the legislative intent that this act would have been adopted by the General Assembly had such unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

Constitutionality.

Section 21. No tax collector shall make any return of taxes as provided in this act, if the taxing authorities shall notify such tax collector in writing that returns shall not be made, but that delinquent taxes are to be collected by the filing of liens in the office of the prothonotary.

When returns are not to be made.

Section 22. The act, approved the ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand six hundred eighty-four), entitled "An act authorizing and empowering the county treasurers of the several counties of this Commonwealth to sell at public sale all seated lands upon which taxes assessed on such seated lands by authority of any county, borough, town, township, school district, and poor district are delinquent and remain unpaid, and fixing penalties for such delinquency; authorizing county commissioners to purchase such lands under certain circumstances," is hereby repealed. Except as herein provided, all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Act of
May 9, 1929
(P. L. 1684),
repealed.

Repeal.

Section 23. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and approval by the Governor.

When effective.

APPROVED—The 29th day of May, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 133

AN ACT

To amend paragraph (b) of section two, and sections three, four, and six of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand forty-six), entitled "An act appropriating the moneys in the Motor License Fund."

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That paragraph (b) of section two of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand forty-six), entitled "An act ap-

Motor License
Fund.
Appropriation.
Paragraph (b)
section 2, act of
May 1, 1929 (P.
L. 1046), amended.

propriating the moneys in the Motor License Fund," is hereby amended to read as follows:

To Board of
Finance and
Revenue.

(b) For the payment of [approval] *approved* claims for refund made to the board for moneys paid into the Motor License Fund to which the Commonwealth is not rightfully entitled.

Section 3
amended.

Section 2. That section three of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

To Department
of Revenue.

Section 3. As much of the money, from time to time in the Motor License Fund, as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Revenue, for the proper conduct of its work in titling and registering motor vehicles, trailers, and tractors, licensing the operators of vehicles, and enforcing the laws regulating the registration, titling, and operation of vehicles upon the highways, and for the collection of liquid fuels taxes, as follows:

(a) For the payment of the salaries, wages or other compensation, and traveling and other necessary expenses of the [Commission] *Commissioner of Motor Vehicles*, or such other officer or officers of the department appointed by the secretary thereof to have charge of the foregoing activities of the department, and such deputies, directors, superintendents, bureau or division chiefs, assistant directors, assistant superintendents, assistant chiefs, experts, engineers, draftsmen, accountants, secretaries, auditors, inspectors, examiners, statisticians, clerks, stenographers, bookkeepers, messengers, laborers, and other assistants and employes, as may be required in the performance of the duties above mentioned, *and such special deputy attorneys general, assistant deputy attorneys general, and attorneys, as may be assigned by the Attorney General to the department or for handling any legal business pertaining to its work.*

(b) For the payment of the salaries, wages, or other compensation, board, lodging, uniforms, arms, and equipment, and their maintenance and traveling and other necessary expenses of State Highway Patrolmen.

(c) For the purchase, maintenance, and repair of furniture, furnishings, stationery, supplies, materials, equipment, fuel, motor vehicles, and printing and binding, and for the payment of premiums on policies of insurance covering motor vehicles operated by employes of the department, *and surety bonds for officers or employes of the department required to furnish such bonds*, but all such purchases shall be made, and all such contracts of insurance *and surety bonds* shall be placed, through the Department of Property and Supplies as purchasing agent.

(d) For the payment of postage, telegrams, telephone rentals, and toll charges, and rentals for or royalties upon leased office equipment, or other devices or machines.

(e) For the construction, through the Department of Property and Supplies, or the purchase and repair or maintenance of buildings for the use of the State Highway Patrol.

(f) Through the Department of Property and Supplies, to purchase or lease lands and to construct thereon highways and buildings suitable for the examination of applicants for operators' licenses, *or to purchase or lease lands for the use of the State Highway Patrol.*

(g) For the payment of rentals for branch buildings and repairs thereto.

(h) For the payment of transportation, medical attendance, and hospital charges of employes injured or killed in line of duty, and the payment of workmen's compensation to injured employes or dependents of deceased employes, or the payment of premiums upon policies insuring the Commonwealth against workmen's compensation liability to employes or dependents of employes of the department: Provided, That such insurance shall be carried only with the approval of the Governor.

(i) For the payment of traveling expenses and witness fees in the amount of two (\$2) dollars per capita per diem to witnesses testifying for the Commonwealth at hearing; *and for the payment of fees charged by physicians for examining persons suspected of operating motor vehicles while intoxicated whenever such persons are found, as a result of such examination, not to be intoxicated, except that no sum in excess of five (\$5) dollars shall be paid to any physician for such an examination.*

(j) For the payment of expenses in connection with traffic safety, educational work, exhibits, photography, models, and other exhibition or educational accessories, and for all other expense of every kind and description necessary effectively to carry on this work.

(k) For the purchase of registration plates and any other expense incidental thereto.

(l) *For the payment of rewards for detection of fraud.*

[(1)] (m) For all other expenses of every kind and description necessary for the performance by the department of the aforesaid work.

Section 3. That section four of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4
amended.

Section 4. The remainder of the money, from time to time in the Motor License Fund, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways for the following purposes:

To Department
of Highways.

(a) For the payment of the [traveling and other necessary expenses of the Secretary of Highways, and the payment of] salaries, wages or other compensation, and the traveling and other necessary [expense] ex-

penses of the Secretary of Highways, such deputies, directors, superintendents, bureau or division chiefs, assistant directors, assistant superintendents, assistant chiefs, experts, scientists, engineers, surveyors, draftsmen, accountants, secretaries, auditors, inspectors, examiners, statisticians, clerks, stenographers, bookkeepers, messengers, laborers, and other assistants and employes, as may be required for the proper conduct of the work of the department, and such special deputy attorneys general, assistant deputy attorneys general, and attorneys, as may be assigned by the Attorney General to the department or for handling any legal business pertaining to its work.

(b) For the purchase, maintenance and repair of furniture, furnishings, stationery, supplies, materials, equipment, fuel, motor vehicles, and printing and binding, and for the payment of premiums on policies of insurance covering motor vehicles operated by employes of the department, *and surety bonds for officers and employes of the department required to furnish such bonds*, but all such purchases shall be made, and all such contracts of insurance *and surety bonds* shall be placed, through the Department of Property and Supplies as purchasing agent, except that the Department of Highways may purchase directly equipment, materials and supplies necessary for the construction and repair of highways, if such equipment, materials or supplies are not on the schedule of the Department of Property and Supplies.

(c) For the payment of rentals for branch buildings and repairs thereto.

(d) For the payment of postage, telegrams, telephone rentals, and toll charges, and rentals for or royalties upon leased office equipment, or other devices or machines.

(e) For maintaining, reconstructing, replacing, and repairing, or assisting in maintaining, reconstructing, replacing, and repairing State highways, State-aid highways, and any other highways which the department may be authorized to maintain, reconstruct, replace, and repair, or assist in maintaining, reconstructing, replacing, and repairing, and of such bridges as the department may be authorized by law to maintain, reconstruct, replace, and repair, or to assist in maintaining, reconstructing, replacing, and repairing.

(f) For constructing and improving, or assisting in constructing and improving State highways, State-aid highways, and any other highways or streets, and any bridges which the department may be authorized by law to construct or improve, or assist in constructing or improving, but the moneys expended by the department under this clause for construction and improve-

ment of highways, without expense to the political subdivisions of the State, shall be allocated among the several counties, in such manner and to such an extent as shall from time to time be provided by law, and, in the absence of, or beyond any such statutory direction, shall be expended as the department shall determine, and the moneys expended for State aid, and upon city streets, shall be expended to the extent to which such expenditures shall from time to time be authorized by law.

(g) For the maintenance and repair of all interstate bridges over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth and the State of New Jersey, now owned or to be acquired or constructed from Morrisville, Bucks County, to Milford, Pike County, and of interstate bridges between this Commonwealth and the State of New York, [at Hancock, Shohola, Narrowsburg, and Matamoras.] *now owned or which may hereafter be acquired or constructed.*

(h) For the payment of transportation, medical attendance and hospital charges for employes injured or killed in line of duty, and the payment of workmen's compensation to injured employes, or the dependents of deceased employes, or the payment of premiums upon policies insuring the Commonwealth against workmen's compensation liability to employes or dependents of employes of the department: Provided, That such insurance shall be carried only with the approval of the Governor.

(i) For purchasing, acquiring, and leasing lands in the name of the Commonwealth, containing stone suitable for use in the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement or maintenance of highways, and to quarry and prepare the stone therein for use in the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement, and maintenance of highways, to manufacture any other material used in the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement, or maintenance thereof, whether for use by the department in the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement, or maintenance of highways, or for selling the same to contractors engaged in such work, or to political subdivisions of the State for the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement and maintenance of roads, as may now or hereafter be provided by law.

(j) For the erection of such buildings, and the purchase of such machinery, as may be necessary or essential for the proper prosecution of the work of quarrying or manufacturing stone or materials for the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement or maintenance of highways.

(k) Subject to the approval of the Governor, and of the Department of Property and Supplies, for the

purchase or acquisition of land in the name of the Commonwealth for the purpose of erecting thereon garages, storage sheds, laboratories, or other buildings necessary in connection with the construction, improvement, reconstruction, replacement or maintenance of highways, and for the erection on land thus acquired of such garages, storage sheds, laboratories or other buildings.

(l) To propagate or purchase trees, shrubs, vines or grasses for planting on or along the State highways and to maintain the same.

(m) For the purchase, installation, and maintenance of signs and traffic signals on State highways.

(n) For the payment of traveling expenses and witness fees, in amount of two (\$2) dollars per capita per diem, to witnesses testifying for the Commonwealth.

(o) *For the payment of damages to property heretofore or hereafter caused or occasioned in connection with the work of the department in the construction, improvement, maintenance, and repair, or in the preparation of materials for such purpose, of roads, highways, or bridges, under the jurisdiction of the department and for which the Commonwealth is responsible for maintenance, and attributed to negligence or carelessness on the part of the employes of the department, not exceeding, however, the sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars during any fiscal biennium. All claims for damages to property payable hereunder shall be submitted to the Secretary of Highways in writing, verified by affidavit, and the secretary shall investigate the same and determine the amount to be paid, if any, subject to the approval of the Attorney General.*

[(o)] (p) For all other expenses of every kind and description necessary effectively to carry on the work of the department as authorized by law.

Section 4. That section six of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 6. Estimates of the amounts to be expended from the *Motor License Fund* under this act or any other act, from time to time, by the Department of Revenue and the Department of Highways, respectively, and by the Board of Finance and Revenue in the payment of claims for refund, shall be submitted to the Governor for his approval or disapproval, as in the case of other appropriations made to administrative departments, boards, and commissions; and it shall be unlawful for the Auditor General to honor any requisition for the expenditure of any moneys *whatsoever* out of [this appropriation] *the Motor License Fund* by the Board of Finance and Revenue for refunds, or by the Department of Revenue, or by the Department of Highways, for any purpose *whatsoever* in excess of the

Section 6
amended.

Estimates of
expenditures.

estimates approved by the Governor, *any other act or acts heretofore enacted to the contrary notwithstanding.* Manner of payment.

Subject to the foregoing provision, the moneys [appropriated by this act] *in the Motor License Fund* shall be paid out of the [Motor License] fund, upon warrant of the Auditor General, drawn, after requisition, by the Board of Finance and Revenue, the Department of Revenue, or the Department of Highways, as the case may be.

Section 5. This act shall become effective on the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one. Effective date.

APPROVED—The 29th day of May, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 134

AN ACT

Authorizing cities of the first class to negotiate emergency loans for unemployment relief during the present calendar year.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That to meet emergencies occasioned by business depression and unemployment, it shall be lawful for the council of any city of the first class, during the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, to authorize the creation of one or more emergency loans, not exceeding in the aggregate three million dollars (\$3,000,000), in excess of the emergency borrowing power granted to the council of such cities by the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred eighty-one), entitled "An act for the better government of cities of the first class of this Commonwealth." The said council shall have additional appropriating power to the extent of the proceeds of such emergency loan or loans. Any such loan or loans shall be negotiated on behalf of the city by the mayor, the city controller, the city solicitor, or any two of them, and shall be upon notes for periods not to extend beyond such year, and shall be repayable out of the income of the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one: Provided, however, That unless such loans shall be paid within said year, they shall be included by the city controller in his estimate of liabilities which must be paid out of the receipts of the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two before ordinary appropriations may be made therefrom. Cities of first class.
Emergency loans.
Limitation.
Negotiation.
Repayment.
Proviso.

Section 2. The proceeds of any loan or loans created under the provisions of this act shall be used only for unemployment relief. Proceeds to be used for unemployment relief.