

## Effective date.

Section 3. This act shall become effective on the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 138

## AN ACT

To amend section one of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred seven), entitled "An act fixing the liability of the counties, poor districts, and the Commonwealth for the support of the indigent and partly indigent insane in State institutions," by further defining the procedure for the administration of the act.

Indigent insane.  
State institutions.

Section 1, act  
of April 25, 1929  
(P. L. 707),  
amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred seven), entitled "An act fixing the liability of the counties, poor districts, and the Commonwealth for the support of the indigent and partly indigent insane in State institutions," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Liability for  
support of insane  
in State  
institutions.

Counties or  
poor districts.

Proviso.

Subsequent collec-  
tions from patient,  
etc.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the part of the cost of the care and maintenance, including clothing, of the indigent insane, whether chronic or otherwise, in the State hospitals for the insane, payable by the counties or poor districts, is hereby fixed at the uniform rate of three dollars per week for each person, which shall be chargeable to the county or poor district from which such insane person shall have come, and the amount of the aforesaid cost, over and above three dollars per week chargeable to the counties or poor districts, shall be paid by the Commonwealth: Provided, That where a portion of the cost of the care and maintenance, including clothing, [can be] *is* collected, *during any billing period*, from [said] *such* patient's estate, or the person or persons liable for [such patient's] *his or her* support, then the [uncollectible] *uncollected* portion of such cost, *for such billing period*, shall be [equally] *divided equally* between the Commonwealth and the county or poor district liable for such patient's support, *except that such county or poor district shall not be liable for more than three dollars per week per patient. If the Department of Revenue shall subsequently collect or receive from the patient, or any other person or persons, all or part of the cost of the care and treatment, including clothing, of such patient for which the county or poor district was billed and which it has*

*paid, then the department shall extend to such county or poor district, in the next periodical billing, a proper credit, whether or not in such billing there be any charge for the care and treatment, including clothing, of the particular patient. The amount of such credit shall be the difference between the amount so paid by the county or poor district and the amount for which the county or poor district would have been billed if the subsequent collections had been received or collected at the time such previous billing was rendered.*

Credits to be given county or poor districts.

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

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No. 139

AN ACT

Providing for the acquisition, construction, improvement, operation, and maintenance of bridges over rivers and navigable waters within the Commonwealth; authorizing the issuance of bridge revenue bonds, free from taxation and payable solely from bridge earnings, to pay the cost of such bridges and improvements thereof; providing for the collection of bridge tolls for the payment of such bonds, and for the cost, of maintenance, operation, and repair of the bridges; constituting such bonds legal investments in certain instances; prescribing conditions upon which such bridges shall become free bridges; conferring powers and imposing duties on the State Bridge Commission; providing that no debt of the Commonwealth shall be incurred in the exercise of any of the powers granted by this act; and providing for condemnation.

Section 1. Short Title.—Be it enacted, &c., That this act shall be known, and may be cited, as “The Intra-State Bridge Revenue Bond Act.”

The Intra-State Bridge Bond Act.

Section 2. Definitions.—As used in this act, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) The word “bridge” shall be deemed to include all property, rights, easements, and franchises relating thereto, including approaches.

(b) The word “improvements” shall mean such repairs, replacements, additions, and betterments of and to a bridge acquired by purchase or by condemnation as are deemed necessary to place it in a safe and efficient condition for the use of the public, if such repairs, replacements, additions, and betterments are ordered prior to the sale of any bonds for the acquisition of such bridge.

(c) The term “cost of bridge,” as applied to a