No. 262

AN ACT

Making an appropriation for unemployment relief contingently upon the approval by the voters of a constitutional amendment authorizing the borrowing of twenty-five million dollars to defray the expenses of State government for the biennium beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three.

Unemployment relief.

Contingent appropriation to State Emergency Relief Board.

Proposed Constitutional amendment.

Appropriation to provide direct and work relief.

Time of payment.

Allocation by board to counties on basis of need.

Use of moneys to be determined by board.

Work relief on highways.

Payment of allocation into Motor License Fund.

Labor.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is hereby specifically appropriated to the State Emergency Relief Board, for the purposes hereinafter named, contingently upon the adoption by the electors at the municipal election in November, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, of a certain proposed amendement to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

"Section 17. The Governor, the Auditor General, and the State Treasurer, immediately upon the adoption of this amendment by the electors, may borrow an amount not exceeding twenty-five million dollars to defray the expenses of the State Government for the biennium beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three; provided the General Assembly, at its regular session of one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, has authorized the borrowing of money for this purpose."

Section 2. If said amendment is adopted by the electors and the appropriation made by this act becomes effective, said sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be used by the State Emergency Relief Board to provide direct relief and work relief for residents of this Commonwealth who are unemployed and without means of support.

Section 3. The amount hereby appropriated shall be paid over to the State Emergency Relief Board at any time after a loan or loans authorized by said constitutional amendment shall have been made as authorized by law.

Section 4. The State Emergency Relief Board shall make allocations, from time to time, out of the moneys appropriated to it among the several counties of this Commonwealth on the basis of need.

Section 5. The moneys so allocated to a county shall be available for expenditure in that county for relief as the State Emergency Relief Board shall determine.

Whenever the State Emergency Relief Board has determined to expend any part of a county's allocation for work relief on State highways, and bridges thereon, it shall pay such part of the county's allocation into the Motor License Fund, and it shall thereafter be expended, in accordance with existing laws, by the Department of Highways in such county in the construction and improvement of such State highways, and bridges thereon, as shall have been designated by the State Emergency Relief Board: and the labor employed by the depart-

ment (other than that required for supervision, engineering, and in the operation of road machinery) in such construction work shall be furnished by residents of such county in need of employment, to be selected in accordance with the rules and regulations of the State Emergency Relief Board.

The Department of Highways may cumulate the respective amounts in the Motor License Fund credited to a county until sufficient funds are available to undertake

the construction work authorized by this section.

The amount available in any county over Direct relief. Section 6. and above the sum set aside by the State Emergency Relief Board for work relief shall be available for expenditure for the purchase of food, clothing, fuel, and shelter for the unemployed in such county, through such public and private agencies as shall be designated by the State Emergency Relief Board, and under such rules and regulations as the board shall adopt.

Section 7. The sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the State Emergency Relief Board for printing, the payment of the compensation and expenses of clerical and other assistants required for supervising the expenditure of the appropriation made by this act, postage, traveling expenses, and all other incidental and necessary expenses incurred by the board in administering this act.

The State Emergency Relief Board may, Section 8. from time to time, expend, or authorize the expenditure of, such sums as may be necessary out of the appropriation made by this act for investigation of applications for relief, the cost of distributing food, clothing, fuel, or shelter, and the maintenance of proper records of receipts, expenditures, and other transactions of local relief distributing agencies.

Section 9. Out of the appropriation made by this act, the State Emergency Relief Board may, from time to time, allocate to the State Veterans' Commission sums not exceeding an aggregate of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for providing food, clothing, fuel, or shelter for unemployed veterans who are without means of support.

Section 10. The amounts expended under the provi- Audit of exsions of this act shall be audited by the Auditor General penditures. as provided by law.

Approved—The 26th day of May, A. D. 1933.

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Cumulation of funds.

Appropriation for

Expenditures inrelief agencies.

Allocation to State Veterans' Commission.