period fixed by existing law as the life of such a tax lien has expired.

When effective.

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.

Approved—The 24th day of March, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 37

AN ACT

Limiting the time in which proceedings may be begun to open, revive or strike off the satisfaction of judgments satisfied by prothonotaries under the provisions of the act, approved the seventeenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws, two hundred and forty-three), entitled "An act to protect the owners of mortgaged property during the present emergency by limiting the amount of deficiency judgments during a certain period," and the act, approved the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred and three), entitled "An act to protect the obligors or guarantors of bonds and mortgages, and owners of property affected thereby, and others indirectly liable for the payment thereof, and owners of mortgaged property affected thereby, by restricting the right to proceed against certain property and persons; limiting the amount of deficiency judgments; and continuing rights, duties, and obligations established or forfeited under prior laws relating to deficiency judgments."

Limiting proceedings to open, to revive or strike off satisfactions of judgments secured under the provisions of acts of January 17, 1934 (P. L. 243), and July 1, 1935 (P. L. 503).

Be it enacted, &c., That no judgment Section 1. which has been satisfied by any prothonotary, in accordance with the provision of the acts, approved the seventeenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws, two hundred and fortythree), entitled "An act to protect the owners of mortgaged property during the present emergency by limiting the amount of deficiency judgments during a certain period," and the act, approved the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred and three), entitled "An act to protect the obligors or guaranters of bonds and mortgages, and owners of property affected thereby, and others indirecty liable for the payment thereof, and owners of mortgaged property affected thereby, by restricting the right to proceed against certain property and persons; limiting the amount of deficiency judgments; and continuing rights, duties, and obligations established or forfeited under prior laws relating to deficiency judgments," shall be the subject of any proceeding, the purpose of which shall be to open or to revive or to strike off the satisfaction of such judgment, unless proceedings therefor be begun within three months from the effective date of this act.

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately when effective. upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 24th day of March, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 38

AN ACT

To validate and confirm certain contracts, heretofore entered into by boards of school directors, where there is no evidence of fraud or conspiracy, and to authorize, ratify, confirm, and validate payments on such contracts by the school district.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever any Certain contracts board of school directors of any school district shall of school boards validated. have heretofore contracted for labor, materials, and supplies for the school district, the purchase of which by contract is authorized under the provisions of the school laws of the Commonwealth, and such board of school directors has actually received such labor, materials, and supplies, and the same are being used by the school district, if the said contract does not evidence any fraud or conspiracy to violate the provisions of the school laws of the Commonwealth, and the school district has not suffered any pecuniary loss as the result of such contract, then such contract shall be valid and binding on the school district, and payment for such labor, materials, and supplies by the school district is hereby authorized, ratified, confirmed, and validated, notwithstanding the fact that such contract was legally null and void by reason of the failure to advertise for bids, or by reason of defect in the advertising, or by reason of any other defect in compliance with or in the failure or omission to comply with the school laws of this Commonwealth regulating the award of contracts for such labor, materials, and supplies. No board of school directors, nor any members thereof, shall be subject to surcharge for payments made by any board of school directors on any such contract.

This act shall become effective imme- when effective. Section 2. diately upon its final enactment.

Approved—The 30th day of March, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE