of the notice. In default of the next of kin petitioning for the appointment of a committee, then the court of common pleas shall appoint a proper person as committee

upon the petition of the libellant.

If any of the respondent's next of kin resides within the jurisdiction of the court, the service of the notice shall be made by personal service on said next of kin, but if the next of kin resides without the jurisdiction of the court, then such notice shall be served by registered mail with return receipt requested.

Where the respondent has several next of kin in the same degree of consanguinity, service, as herein required, need be made only upon any one of such next of kin.

If it be shown, to the satisfaction of the court, that the said respondent has no next of kin, then, upon petition of the libellant, the court shall appoint a proper person to act as a committee.

Approved—The 18th day of May, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 184

AN ACT

Validating amicable writs of scire facias to revive municipal claims entered by boroughs and townships of the first class, where more than five years have elapsed since original claims were filed, or a prior revival thereof made.

Validating writs of scire facias filed after the lapse of five years from the original filing.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever any borough or township of the first class has heretofore filed in the office of the prothonotary of the proper county an amicable writ of scire facias to revive any municipal claim, and such writ of scire facias shall not have been filed within the period of five years from the time the original claim was filed, or within five years after any prior revival of such claim, then in any such case such action in filing such amicable writ of scire facias is hereby ratified, confirmed, and made valid notwithstanding that the same was not filed within the time required by law, and that the lien of such municipal claim was lost, and the lien of any such municipal claim shall be deemed revived from the date such amicable writ of scire facias was filed in the office of the prothonotary, and such lien may be proceeded upon, further revived, and collected as provided by law: Provided, however, That the lien of any such municipal claim shall not reattach against any real estate transferred to any purchaser during the time when the lien of the same was lost: And provided further, That where any other lien has attached to any such real estate during the period when the lien of any

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