and costs paid over or due the township, and the dockets and records of the justices of the peace shall be open to inspection by the auditors for such purpose.

Any officer, whose act or neglect has contributed to the financial loss of any township, shall be surcharged by the auditors with the amount of such loss.

Each auditor shall receive five dollars per diem for each day necessarily employed in the duties of his office, to be paid out of the funds of the township.

APPROVED—The 28th day of May, A. D. 1937.

### GEORGE H. EARLE

#### No. 254

# AN ACT

To amend section one thousand and forty-six of the act, approved the fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine\* (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred nineteen), entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," providing for the employment by auditors, and for the compensation of an attorney.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one thousand and forty-six of the act, approved the fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine\* (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred nineteen), entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1046. Attorney to Auditors.—The borough auditors may employ an attorney [in case any disagreement with an official or board of officials whose accounts they are required to audit. Such attorney shall not be employed until reasonable effort has been made to reach an agreement, and only after notice of such contemplated employment has been given to such official or board] whenever the same is deemed advisable by a majority of the auditors.

The compensation of such attorney shall be fixed by the auditors, and shall not exceed the sum [of ten dollars per day nor thirty dollars in any case in dispute, except whenever an appeal is taken as provided in the preceding sections of this article, in which case the court shall fix an additional compensation] payable to one auditor for the making of the annual audit, unless a larger compensation shall be specially allowed by a court of record in connection with any proceeding before such court, and shall be payable by the borough out of the general fund of the borough.

\* Should be one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

Section 1046, act of May 4, 1927 (P. L. 519), amended. [The compensation of such attorney shall be paid out of the fund whose settlement is in dispute, by warrant drawn by the auditors upon the treasurer of such fund, immediately upon the final settlement of the account.]

APPROVED-The 28th day of May, A. D. 1937.

### GEORGE H. EARLE

## No. 255

# AN ACT

Authorizing townships of the first class to satisfy, of record, liens for taxes or other township claims, solely upon the payment of record costs, where such liens are of record against real estate acquired by the Commonwealth, or an agency of the Commonwealth, subsequent to the date of the filing of the said lien.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the date and passage of this act, the commissioners of any township of the first class shall have the authority to direct the satisfaction of record upon the payment of record costs only of any lien or liens filed for taxes or any other township claim against real estate acquired by gift, purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any agency of the said Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, subsequent to the date of the filing of the said lien.

Section 2. This authority to satisfy such lien or liens shall be expressed by written resolution spread upon the minutes of the commission of the township of the first class in whose favor said lien or liens shall appear on record, and need not be published, posted or advertised.

APPROVED—The 28th day of May, A. D. 1937.

#### GEORGE H. EARLE

#### No. 256

## A SUPPLEMENT

To the act, approved the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand three hundred seventy-nine), entitled "An act creating in counties of the third class a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; providing for the appointment of the members of such board by the county commissioners; providing for their salaries, payable by the county; abolishing existing boards; defining the powers and duties of such board; regulating the assessment of persons, property, and occupations for county, borough, town, township, school, and poor purposes; authorizing the appointment of subordinate assessors, a solicitor, engineers, and clerks; providing for their compensation, payable by such counties; abolishing the office of ward, borough, and township assessors, so far as the making of assess-