

amount of the charge on each property shall be ascertained as provided by law for the assessment of benefits by viewers for sewer improvements.

(c) By the imposition of a charge or rental against the properties served or accommodated by such sewer or sewer system as provided by law for the imposition of such charges or rentals by cities, where more than one district is created the assessment in the different districts may be by different methods.

Section 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent
acts repealed.

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

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 262

AN ACT

To provide for a sinking fund in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth; requiring the Sinking Fund Commission to estimate the amount annually needed for such sinking fund and to transmit such estimate, or copy thereof, to the city council, the mayor and the city controller; making it the duty of the council to appropriate and provide the sum so estimated to be required; and repealing inconsistent legislation.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in cities of the first class of this Commonwealth, there shall be one general sinking fund to be known as the sinking fund. It shall comprise and contain all the moneys, securities, bonds, and assets now in the several sinking funds of any such city, and all such moneys, securities, bonds, and assets shall form a single fund to be used for the payment at maturity of all the bonded debts of such city, and all accretions and appropriations to the sinking fund of any such city hereafter to be made shall be paid to the Sinking Fund Commission and shall form part of said sinking fund. It shall be the duty of the Sinking Fund Commission each year to ascertain the amount needed with respect to the bonded debt of any such city requiring sinking fund payments, taking into account the requirements of each of said issues for the succeeding year, and having in view the dates and times of their respective maturities. The total of the needs of the sinking fund hereby established shall be thus ascertained and the Sinking Fund Commission, on or before the fifteenth day of August, in each year, shall transmit to the city council a certificate of the total requirements for the succeeding year for sinking fund purposes and shall send to the mayor and the city controller copies thereof. In formulating the financial program for the ensuing year, the council shall include

Cities of the
first class.

One general
sinking fund.

Duty of the com-
mission to fix
amount needed
each year with
respect to the
bonded debt.

Amount to be
transmitted to
city council.

Maturity of
loans.

therein an appropriation in the total amount so estimated to be required for the aforesaid purpose. At the maturity of the respective loans of any such city, so much of the sinking fund as may be needed for the payment thereof shall be drawn upon and used for their discharge as now provided by law.

Inconsistent parts
of act of June 25,
1919 (P. L.
581), repealed.

Section 2. So much of the act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred eighty-one), entitled "An act for the better government of cities of the first class of this Commonwealth," and all other acts or* parts of acts as may be inconsistent herewith, to the extent of such inconsistency, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

When effective.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

* "of" in the original.

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

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 263

AN ACT

To amend section two thousand eight hundred and nineteen of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred nine), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," extending the provisions of said section relating to clauses and stipulations in and proposals for certain contracts to all school districts, and eliminating the requirements therein as to preparation and cutting of stone for school buildings.

Section 2819, act
of May 18, 1911
(P. L. 309),
amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section two thousand eight hundred and nineteen of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred nine), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Stipulation in
contracts.

Section 2819. All contracts, hereafter awarded and entered into by any school district, [of the first class]