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When effective. articles are returned by the department, and unless the department shall have endorsed its approval thereon.

Section 3. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.

APPROVED—The 21st day of June, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 391

AN ACT

To prohibit any person, firm or corporation, not directly involved in a labor strike or lockout, recruiting or securing or offering to secure employment for persons to take the places of employes where a labor strike or a lockout exists; and providing for legally established employment service.

Labor.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, not directly involved in a labor strike or lockout, to recruit any person or persons for employment, or to secure or offer to secure for any person or persons any employment, when the purpose of such recruiting, securing or offering to secure employment, is to have such persons take the place in employment of employes in an industry where a labor strike or a lockout exists: Provided, That this act shall not apply to any employment agent licensed as such under the Department of Labor and Industry, or to the Pennsylvania or the United States Employment Service.

Proviso.

Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or to suffer imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Penalty for violation.

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

When effective.

APPROVED—The 21st day of June, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 392

AN ACT

Authorizing the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to prescribe rules of practice and procedure in civil actions at law and in equity in certain courts of this Commonwealth, to prescribe rules and regulations for the conduct of any general business, either civil or criminal, by judges of any court of record; authorizing the courts of common pleas to prescribe and adopt

local rules, not inconsistent with such general rules of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; authorizing the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to appoint a Procedural Rules Committee, and to fix and define its powers and duties; imposing duties on judges and other officers of every court of record.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after Powers the effective date of this act, the Supreme Court of Penn- to the Supreme sylvania shall have the power to prescribe by general court to rule the forms of actions, process, writs, pleadings, and prescribe forms of motions, and the practice and procedure in civil actions actions, process, etc. at law and in equity for the courts of common pleas of every county, for the county court of Allegheny County, and for such other courts having jurisdiction in civil actions as the General Assembly shall hereafter establish: Provided, That such rules shall be consistent with the Constitution of this Commonwealth and shall neither abridge, enlarge nor modify the substantive rights of any litigant nor the jurisdiction of any of the said courts, nor affect any statute of limitations. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the courts of over of this and terminer, courts of quarter sessions, and the Or- section. phans' Courts of this Commonwealth, and the practice and procedure in said courts shall remain and continue as prescribed by existing law. At the time of the adoption, promulgation, and publication of its general rules, the Supreme Court shall fix the effective date thereof, which shall not be less than six months from the date of the adoption thereof. As soon as promulgated, a copy of all rules shall be sent to the prothonotaries or clerks of all courts which may be affected thereby, and shall be published by such prothonotaries or clerks in the same manner as local rules adopted by such courts.

From and after the effective date of any rule promul- Inconsistent gated under this section 1, and so long as said rule shall acts to be be operative, the operation of any act of Assembly re- by rules. lating to practice or procedure in such courts, and inconsistent with such rule, shall be suspended in so far as such act may be inconsistent with such rule.

Section 2. Each of the courts of common pleas, the common pleas county court of Allegheny County,* and other courts established by the General Assembly, may adopt additional local rules for the conduct of its business, which shall not be inconsistent with or in conflict with said general rules prescribed by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

Section 3. The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a Procedural Rules Committee, the members of which shall have been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, which shall assist the Supreme Court of

courts, and county courts may make rules.

Procedural

^{* &}quot;the" deleted.

Duties of judges, clerks and prothonotaries.

Additional powers of the Supreme Court.

Repeals.

Constitutional provision.

When effective. Pennsylvania in preparation, revision, promulgation, publication, and administration of the said general rules.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the judges, clerks, prothonotaries, and other officers of the several courts of record in this Commonwealth, to furnish to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania or to the said Procedural Rules Committee such statistics and information, as may be reasonably requested, concerning the administration of justice in civil actions in said courts. In the event of the failure of any judge, clerk, prothonotary or other officer of said courts to comply with the requirements of this section, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania may, after hearing, impose the penalties hereinafter provided.

Section 5. For the purpose of expediting any business of the courts of record in this Commonwealth, whether civil or criminal, which is not otherwise specifically regulated by any of the general rules hereinabove provided for, and for the purpose of facilitating a speedy and proper administration of justice, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania shall have the power to prescribe additional general rules for the conduct of such business of any court of record within this Commonwealth, but such rules shall not include any provision regulating the admission of attorneys to practice before any of the trial courts of this Commonwealth.

Section 6. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Section 7. The provisions of this act are severable, and if any of its provisions shall be held unconstitutional, the decision of the court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions of this act. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this act would have been adopted had such unconstitutional pro-

visions not been included herein.

Section 8. This act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.

Approved—The 21st day of June, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 393

AN ACT

To amend section one, section three as amended, and sections four, five, and nine as added, of the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws, two hundred two), entitled "An act providing for the licensing and regulation of motor boats operated or navigated upon any public stream, artificial or natural body of water, or non-tidal waters of any river within the Commonwealth; conferring powers and imposing duties on certain police officers and the Board of Fish Commissioners, including the