

No. 369

## AN ACT

To amend section 2 of the act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 75), entitled "An act authorizing the courts of common pleas to change the name of persons; prescribing the procedure, and the effect of the decree thereon," by reducing the time in which the petition shall be heard.

Names.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 2, act of  
April 18, 1923,  
P. L. 75,  
amended.

Section 1. Section 2 of the act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 75), entitled "An act authorizing the courts of common pleas to change the name of persons; prescribing the procedure, and the effect of the decree thereon," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Petition for  
change of  
name.

Section 2. Any person desiring to change his or her name shall file a petition in the courts of common pleas of the county in which he or she shall reside, setting forth such desire and intention and the reason therefor, together with the residence of petitioner, and his or her residence or residences for and during five years prior thereto. Where the petitioner is a married person, the other spouse may join as a party petitioner, in which event, upon compliance with the provisions of this act, said spouse shall also be entitled to the provisions hereof.

Contents of  
petition.

Spouse of peti-  
tioner may  
join.

Notice of filing  
petition, etc.

The court shall, thereupon, enter an order directing that notice be given of the filing of said petition and of the day set for the hearing thereon, which hearing shall be not less than [two months] *one month* or more than three months after the filing of said petition, and said notice shall be published in two newspapers of general circulation in said county or county contiguous thereto, one of which publications may be in the official paper for the publication of legal notices in said county.

Time of hearing.

Publication of  
notice.

APPROVED—The 26th day of September, A. D. 1951.

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## AN ACT

To further amend section 2405 of the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authoriz-