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.

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

Section 1. Section 2 of the act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twentythree (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:

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. 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.

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

JOHN S. FINE

No. 370

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-

Names.

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

Petition for change of name.

Contents of petition.

Spouse of petitioner may join.

Notice of filing petition, etc.

Time of hearing.

Publication of notice.

ing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," by permitting delivery of unserviceable property to Superintendent of Public Instruction, without charge, for assignment to school districts.

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

Section 1. Section 2405 of the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twentynine (Pamphlet Laws 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Execu- further amended. tive 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 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1865), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 2405. Sale of Unserviceable Property.-The Department of Property and Supplies shall have the power, and its duty shall be, to receive from the several administrative departments, and independent administrative and departmental administrative boards and commissions, unserviceable personal property of this Commonwealth, to issue a receipt therefor and make a complete record thereof [and]. When there is turned over to the department unserviceable furniture or equipment which is broken or out-worn and which is of a type which is adapted to public school use, it may, in

"The Administra-tive Code of 1929,"

Section 2405, act Section 2405, act of April 9, 1929, P. L. 177, as last amended by act of June 21, 1937, P. L. 1865,

the discretion of the Secretary of Property and Supplies, be delivered to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, without charge, for assignment to any school district, or, if no other department, board or commission is able to make use of the same presently, then, as soon as convenient, to sell the same, either at public auction or private sale, in the city of Harrisburg, or elsewhere, as may be deemed advisable. Except in the case of perishable property, such sales shall, if the department deems it feasible in view of the value of the property involved, be advertised in not exceeding five newspapers of the Commonwealth, once a week for three weeks, such advertisements to state the time, place, and conditions of any such sale; but, if, after such advertising, the department is unable to obtain a bid for the property. it may be demolished or destroyed: Provided, That when the unserviceable property is located outside the city of Harrisburg, the Department of Property and Supplies, in its discretion, may authorize the department. board, or commission having possession of the same, without advertising, to obtain at least two bids in the locality where the property is located. Such bids shall be referred to the Department of Property and Supplies, and, if it believes that the property will not realize a higher net sale price if transported to the Capitol for sale, the department may authorize the department, board, or commission having possession of the same, to sell the property locally to the highest bidder, to take a proper receipt therefor, and to transmit the proceeds to the Department of Property and Supplies, to be by it paid into the State Treasury through the Department of Revenue: And provided further, That whenever any department, board, or commission shall deliver to the Department of Property and Supplies any unserviceable personal property, and, at the same time, requisition the said department to furnish new property of a similar character to replace the unserviceable property delivered as aforesaid, or request said department, as purchasing agency, to purchase new property of a similar character, the Department of Property and Supplies shall endeavor to exchange the unserviceable property for or on account of the purchase price of the new property about to be purchased, but such unserviceable property shall not be delivered for or on account of the purchase price of any property at a lower valuation than the price which such unserviceable property would bring if sold in the open market for cash, and, to the extent that advertising any such unserviceable property for sale may be necessary to establish its market value, the Department of Property and Supplies is authorized and directed to advertise as hereinabove provided. The Department of Property and Supplies shall obtain from the person, partnership, or corporation, to which any personal property is delivered in exchange under the authority of this section, a receipt *therefor, describing such personal property and specifying the value at which it was taken in exchange, and such receipt shall be delivered to the Auditor General, attached to the requisition for the payment of the balance of the purchase price due for the new property purchased. The proceeds of sales of personal property hereunder, shall be transmitted by the Department of Property and Supplies to the Department of Revenue, which shall transmit it to the Treasury Department to be credited to the fund out of which the property sold was originally purchased.

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

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

JOHN S. FINE

No. 371

AN ACT

To amend sections one and two, as amended, sections four, five, six, seven and eight, and sections nine and ten, as amended, of the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 888), entitled "An act to safeguard human life and health throughout the Commonwealth by providing for the reporting, quarantining, and control of diseases declared communicable by this act or by regulation of the Department of Health; providing for the prevention of infection therefrom; and prescribing penalties," by changing the method of approval of communicable disease regulations by the advisory health board, and by adding counties which have established a county department of health or joint-county department of health to the political subdivisions required or empowered to perform certain duties relating to the reporting, quarantining and control of diseases declared communicable by law or regulation.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn. Public health. sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections one and two of the act, approved Sections 1 and 2, e twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand nine hun-red and twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 888), entitled by act of May An act to safeguard human life and health throughout 20, 1937, P. L. the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 888), entitled "An act to safeguard human life and health throughout the Commonwealth by providing for the reporting, quarantining, and control of diseases declared communicable by this act or by regulation of the Department of Health; providing for the prevention of infection therefrom; and prescribing penalties," as last amended by

751, further amended.

* "therefore" in original.

immediately.

Act effective