No. 402

AN ACT

To amend section 1 of the act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1489), entitled "An act providing for a two-platoon system for firemen employed and paid by cities of the second class A and fixing the maximum hours of service in any one day or week for such platoons, with certain exceptions," by further prescribing the maximum hours of service for such employes in any one week.

Cities of the second class A.

Section 1, act of May 20, 1949, P. L. 1489, amended.

Head of fire department or bureau to divide fire force into day and night shifts.

Hours of service.

Exception in case of riot, serious conflagration or other such emergency. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 1 of the act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1489), entitled "An act providing for a two-platoon system for firemen employed and paid by eities of the second class A and fixing the maximum hours of service in any one day or week for such platoons, with certain exceptions," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The head of the department having charge of or supervision over the fire department or bureau in each city of the second class A shall divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities, excepting the superintendent, into two shifts, bodies or platoons, one to perform day service and the other to perform night service. The hours of day service shall not exceed ten, commencing at eight o'clock in the morning; the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen, commencing at six o'clock in the afternoon. The hours of day service shall not exceed fifty hours in any one calendar week and the hours of night service shall not exceed seventy hours in any one calendar week, unless the hours of day and night service shall be equalized, in which case neither the hours of day or night service shall exceed [sixty] *fifty-six* in any one calendar week. In cases of riot, serious conflagration or other such emergency, the superintendent of the bureau of fire or his first assistant or the chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary. No member of either of said shifts, bodies or platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day shift, body or platoon, or fourteen hours in the night shift, body or platoon, excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot, serious conflagration or other such emergency, as above provided.

APPROVED—The 29th day of September, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 403

AN ACT

To amend section 3 of the act, approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 359), entitled "An act relating to reognizances and official bonds of present and future sheriffs and coroners and to their sureties thereon; imposing the expense of corporate suretyships on such obligations upon the several counties and various duties upon the courts of common pleas and county officers thereof; authorizing the substitution of approved surety companies for individual or corporate sureties upon such obligations and the release of any surety upon any such recognizance by such court upon certain conditions; dispensing with sureties on such recognizances but providing for the acknowledgment, recording and indexing of same as liens on certain real estate; regulating such liens and releases therefrom; providing for refunds to sheriffs and coroners of certain premiums paid to sureties on their official bonds and recognizances; and repealing inconsistent laws, except as to existing claims or pending suits thereunder, subject to certain limitations." by fixing the time the lien of such recognizances shall run, including those heretofore executed.

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

Section 1. Section 3 of the act, approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 359), entitled "An act relating to recognizances and official bonds of present and future sheriffs and coroners and to their sureties thereon: imposing the expense of corporate suretyships on such obligations upon the several counties and various duties upon the courts of common pleas and county officers thereof: authorizing the substitution of approved surety companies for individual or corporate sureties upon such obligations and the release of any surety upon any such recognizance by such court upon certain conditions; dispensing with sureties on such recognizances but providing for the acknowledgment, recording and indexing of same as liens on certain real estate; regulating such liens and releases therefrom; providing for refunds to sheriffs and coroners of certain premiums paid to sureties on their official bonds and recognizances; and repealing inconsistent laws, except as to existing claims or pending suits thereunder, subject to certain limitations," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sheriffs and Coroners.

Section 3, act of June 15, 1939, P. L. 359, amended.