No. 424

AN ACT

To amend section 6 of the act, approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 422), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Forests and Waters to provide for stream clearance and stream channel rectifications; to construct and maintain dams, reservoirs, lakes and other works and improvements for impounding flood waters, and conserving the water supply of the Commonwealth; and for creating additional recreational areas; to acquire by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, certain lands for such purposes; to construct and maintain flood forecasting and warning systems," by extending the powers of the department in consulting, cooperating, negotiating and entering into contracts and agreements for planning, constructing, financing, maintaining and operating works or facilities.

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

Section 1. Section 6 of the act, approved the fifth Section 6, act of day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven P. L. 422, (Pamphlet Laws 422), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Forests and Waters to provide for stream clearance and stream channel rectifications; to construct and maintain dams, reservoirs, lakes and other works and improvements for impounding flood waters, and conserving the water supply of the Commonwealth; and for creating additional recreational areas: to acquire by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, certain lands for such purposes; to construct and maintain flood forecasting and warning systems," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 6. The Department of Forests and Waters is hereby authorized to consult, cooperate, negotiate, and with the approval of the Governor, enter into contracts and other agreements with the Federal Government, or any appropriate agency thereof. The General State Authority, any State or local agency, department, board, bureau, commission, or any political subdivisions. municipality authority, corporation, association, person or persons, for cooperation and assistance in planning. constructing, financing, maintaining and operating, any works or facilities needed to carry out the purposes of this act: Provided, That all work of any character whatsoever performed under the authority of this act, except as undertaken by its own forces, or other agencies of the Commonwealth, or of the Federal Government or any appropriate agency thereof or The General State Au-

Department of Forests and Waters.

amended.

Powers of Department to provide for stream clearance, etc., extended.

Work to be performed under written contract let by Department to lowest responsible bidder.

Act effective immediately.

thority shall be performed under written contract let by the Department of Forests and Waters to the lowest responsible bidder, after due advertising as provided by law and in *accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the department.

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall become

effective immediately upon final enactment.

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

JOHN S. FINE

No. 425

AN ACT

To further amend the act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1358), entitled "An act relating to chattel mortgages on any chattel or chattels of any kind or description, including, but not limited to, livestock, poultry, farm machinery, farm equipment and crops, grown, growing or to be grown; designating the operation and effect of the lien of such mortgages; providing for the filing, indexing and docketing of such mortgages and related instruments in prothonotaries' offices; and prescribing prothonotaries' fees; providing for the filing in Pennsylvania of similar lien instruments originally filed or recorded in other states; regulating the assignment, release, satisfaction and extension of the lien of such mortgages; prescribing methods of foreclosure; defining defaults and violations; and fixing penalties," by providing that chattel mortgages may be given as security for principal obligations other than bonds or notes; eliminating the requirement of witnesses; providing additional remedies to mortgagees as against third persons; and providing that the provisions of the act be liberally construed.

Chattel mortgages.

Sections 1 and 2, act of June 1, 1945, P. L. 1358, amended.

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

Section 1. Sections 1 and 2 of the act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1358), entitled "An act relating to chattel mortgages on any chattel or chattels of any kind or description, including, but not limited to, livestock, poultry, farm machinery, farm equipment and crops, grown, growing or to be grown; designating the operation and effect of the lien of such mortgages; providing for the filing, indexing and docketing of such mortgages and related instruments in prothonotaries' offices; and prescribing prothonotaries' fees; providing for the filing in Pennsylvania of similar lien instruments originally filed or recorded in other states; regulating the assignment, release, satisfaction and extension of the lien of such mortgages; prescribing methods of foreclosure; defining defaults and violations; and fixing penalties." are hereby amended to read as follows:

^{* &}quot;occordance" in original.