

No. 258

## AN ACT

To validate and quiet the title to real estate in this Commonwealth held by a foreign corporation not authorized to transact business in Pennsylvania and heretofore conveyed to a citizen or citizens of the United States or a corporation authorized to hold such real estate.

Real estate.

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

Title to real estate held by foreign corporation not authorized to transact business in Pennsylvania, etc., validated and quieted.

Section 1. The title to any real estate situate in this Commonwealth which may have been held prior to the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred fifty-two, by any foreign corporation not authorized under the laws of Pennsylvania to transact business in Pennsylvania, the title to which real estate has been heretofore conveyed by such foreign corporation to any citizen or citizens of the United States or to any corporation incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth or of any other state or commonwealth in the United States and authorized to hold such real estate, is hereby declared to be good and valid and free and clear of any right of escheat by the Commonwealth; and such citizen, citizens or corporation grantees as aforesaid and his, their or its respective heirs, successors and assigns shall hold and may convey such title and estate, indefeasible as to any right of escheat which the Commonwealth might otherwise have by reason of said unauthorized holding and conveyance by such foreign corporation; and all such conveyances heretofore made are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Prior conveyances ratified and confirmed.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts are hereby repealed in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Act effective immediately.

Section 3. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 29th day of July, A. D. 1953.

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## AN ACT

Authorizing and empowering the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to prescribe, by general rule, the practice and procedure governing appeals to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

Supreme Court.

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

Section 1. The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized and empowered to prescribe, by general rule, the practice and procedure governing appeals in all instances where appeals are authorized by law from any adjudication to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. 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 court or any agency of this Commonwealth nor affect any statute of limitations.

Supreme Court authorized to prescribe, by general rule, the practice and procedure governing appeals to such court.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts are hereby repealed in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

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

Act effective immediately.

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### AN ACT

To amend the title and to reenact and further amend the act, approved the sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws 579), entitled "An act providing for the better management of the jails or county prisons in the several counties of this Commonwealth of the third and fourth classes by creating, in such counties, a board to be known by the name and style of inspectors of the jail or county prison, with authority to appoint a warden of such prison, and by vesting in said board, and the officers appointed by it, the safe-keeping, discipline, and employment of prisoners and the government and management of said jails or county prisons," by extending the provisions thereof to counties of the fifth class.

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

Jails and prisons—third, fourth and fifth class counties.

Section 1. The title of the act, approved the sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws 579), entitled "An act providing for the better management of the jails or county prisons in the several counties of this Commonwealth of the third and fourth classes by creating, in such counties, a board to be known by the name and style of inspectors of the jail or county prison, with authority to appoint a warden of such prison, and by vesting in said board, and the officers appointed by it, the safe-keeping, discipline, and employment of prisoners and the government and management of said jails or county prisons," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Title, act of May 16, 1921, P. L. 579, amended.