northwest corner of the land to be acquired; thence eastwardly along land owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to other land owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and used by the Harrisburg State Hospital; thence southwardly along land owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania four hundred fifty (450) feet, more or less, to other land owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the southeast corner of the land to be acquired; thence westwardly along land owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and used by the Harrisburg State Hospital to the easterly side of Cameron Street; thence in a northerly direction along the easterly side of Cameron Street four hundred fifty (450) feet, more or less, to the place of beginning; together with all improvements thereon erected; containing seven Being clause. (7) acres, more or less, and being the same or a part of the same premises now or lately owned by the John E. Fox Estate, Sarah Hepford Estate and Amos Fraze Estate.

Section 2. Such land shall not be acquired until the title thereto has been approved by the Department of Justice.

Approval of title.

Section 3. The sum of seventy-five thousand dollars Appropriation. (\$75,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Property and Supplies for the payment of the acquisition of such tracts of land and expenses incidental thereto, including the completion of an abstract of title thereon.

Section *4. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

Approved—The 22nd day of August, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 390

AN ACT

To further amend the last paragraph of section five hundred seven 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 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

^{* &}quot;5" in original.

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 authorizing departments, boards and commissions to contract for utility services furnished by electric cooperative corporations.

"The Administration Code of 1929."

Last paragraph of section 507, act of April 9, 1929, P. L. 177, as last amended by act of January 14, 1952, P. L. 1941, further amended. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The last paragraph of section five hundred seven 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 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 fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred fifty-two (1951-52, Pamphlet Laws 1941), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 507. Purchases.—

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Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this section, any department, board or commission may:

(1) Purchase repairs or repair parts for its equipment from the manufacturer of such equipment, or from the manufacturer's authorized dealer:

(2) Contract for utility services furnished by public utility companies, political subdivisions, [and] authorities and electric cooperative corporations;

(3) Rent machinery and other equipment and devices;

(4) Employ professional or skilled labor, on a temporary basis, in instances where the Department of Property and Supplies does not have an applicable contract, but all such employment shall be approved by the

Governor except in the case of a State institution, when it shall be approved by the head of the department hav-

ing supervision over the institution:

(5) Subscribe to periodicals, magazines or newspapers, or purchase books or take memberships in independent organizations or societies having related functions, but all such memberships shall be approved by the Governor.

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall become Act effective im-

effective immediately upon final enactment.

mediately.

APPROVED—The 24th day of August, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 391

AN ACT

To further amend section 11 of the act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws 566), entitled "An act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities; and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions," by further regulating credit for service with a school district of the first class for members of a first class city pension fund.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn-Pensions-Cities sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

of the first class.

Section 1. Section 11 of the act, approved the Section 11, act of twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws 566), entitled "An act requiring cities amended by act of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public further amended. employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities; and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions," as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-ninth day of September, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1626), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

May 20, 1915, P. L. 566, as last of September 29.

Section 11. The time of service herein specified, Computation of namely, twenty years, or in case of the lesser pension. fifteen years or more but less than twenty years, shall be computed from the time of the first or original employment; said employment to consist of service either to such cities or to the county, or other public service paid out of the city treasury, or both, as aforesaid, and need not be continuous: Provided, That in no case shall Provise. a period of more than eighteen years be credited to the service record of any person or persons who shall be

time of service.