

A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

In the Name and by Authority of the COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Harrisburg, Pa.

PROCLAMATION

I, John S. Fine, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, have caused this Proclamation to issue, and in compliance with the provisions of Article IV, Section 15, of the Constitution thereof, do hereby give notice that I have filed in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, with my objections thereto, the following bills passed by both Houses of the General Assembly at the Regular Session of 1953, viz:

House Bill No. 847, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Property and Supplies for the payment of the Commonwealth's share in certain capital improvements to the water facilities of the Philipsburg State Hospital."

House Bill No. 1099, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Forests and Waters for the purpose of maintaining dikes along Darby Creek in Tinicum and Darby Townships, Delaware County, and in Philadelphia."

Senate Bill No. 652, entitled "An Act authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, to acquire a tract of land and building thereon in the Borough of Indiana, Indiana County, Pennsylvania, for the use of Indiana State Teachers' College; and making an appropriation."

House Bill No. 788, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the improvement and development of buildings and grounds at Daniel Boone Homestead, a famous historical shrine of especial interest to youth."

House Bill No. 1120, entitled "An Act prescribing certain rights of employment and reemployment for members of the General Assembly."

House Bill No. 1576, entitled "An Act to further amend subsection (b) of Section 2402, 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,' by further regulating working conditions and compensation of Capitol Police."

Senate Bill No. 239, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Elwyn Training School at Elwyn in the County of Delaware, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, toward the rebuilding of a large dormitory destroyed by fire and providing for a lien against the property improved thereby."

Senate Bill No. 510, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 20 of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1050), entitled 'An act relating to the collection of taxes levied by counties, county institution districts, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships, certain school districts and vocational school districts; conferring powers and imposing duties on tax collectors, courts and various officers of said political subdivisions; and prescribing penalties,' by conferring powers and imposing duties on the State Treasurer regarding the collection and payment of per capita, residence, poll and occupation taxes owed by State employes."

Senate Bill No. 776, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 2502 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 30), entitled 'An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto,' by further providing for reimbursements by the Commonwealth to school districts on account of instruction."

House Bill No. 672, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 2511.1 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 30), entitled 'An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidat-

ing and changing the laws relating thereto,' by providing for State payments to approved sublessees."

House Bill No. 781, entitled "An Act providing that publication of reports of judicial and legislative proceedings and of governmental bodies, shall be privileged, subject to certain conditions; and extending the privileges to the publication of certain statements by public officials and requiring proof of abuse of the privilege in an action for defamation."

House Bill No. 1143, entitled "An Act to amend the act, approved the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1108), entitled 'An act authorizing the establishment, construction and maintenance of limited access highways and local service highways; and providing for closing certain highways; providing for the taking of private property and for the payment of damages therefor; providing for sharing the costs involved and for the control of traffic thereover; providing penalties, and making an appropriation,' by requiring the General Assembly to approve the designation of certain limited access highways."

House Bill No. 1159, entitled "An Act to further amend subsection (a) of Section 921 of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 30), entitled 'An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto,' by providing for increasing the membership of county boards of school directors."

House Bill No. 1310, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 3101 of the act, approved the fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 519), entitled 'An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs,' by providing fines, penalties and costs may be recoverable by a borough before any justice of the peace or alderman within the county in which such borough is located."

House Bill No. 1363, entitled "An Act to amend the title and the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 415), entitled 'An act relating to habeas corpus; conferring jurisdiction upon the judges of the courts of common pleas; prescribing venue; defining procedure in all cases; authorizing service to be made upon persons anywhere in the Commonwealth; providing for the imposition of costs; allowing appeals; specifying the appellate court to which appeals may be taken; and repealing inconsistent legislation, including that conferring jurisdiction on courts of quarter session,' by changing venue relating to juveniles committed by any court exercising the powers of a juvenile court; eliminating jurisdiction of judges of the common pleas with reference to such juveniles in certain counties and conferring jurisdiction upon certain other judges in such counties in those cases; limiting appeals in certain cases; prescribing the effect of court orders and decisions; and further defining procedure relating to habeas corpus."

House Bill No. 1435, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 33 of the act, approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws 468), entitled 'An act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways, and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,' by permitting the Secretary to withhold ten per centum of the current estimate due the contractor pending completion of fifty per centum of the current works and thereafter withholding five percentum of the estimate due the contractor pending completion of ninety-five per centum of the work to be done."

House Bill No. 1453, entitled "An Act to further amend subdivision five of the compact contained in the act, approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1664), entitled 'An act to ratify and adopt a compact or agreement negotiated by commissioners designated by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and commissioners designated by the Governor of the State of Ohio, relative to the development, use, and control of the Pymatuning Lake and the State owned land surrounding said lake for fishing, hunting, recreational, and park purposes,' so as to permit, on portions of said lake, the operation of boats equipped with motors of limited horsepower rating or development."

House Bill No. 1462, entitled "An Act to amend Section 404 of the act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1242), entitled 'An act relating to roads, streets, highways and bridges; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws administered by the Secretary of Highways and by the Department of Highways relating thereto,' by requiring that the contractor's performance bond furnished to the Department cover also equipment rental."

House Bill No. 1539, entitled "An Act to amend Subsections A and D of Section 10 of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 382), entitled 'An act providing for the incorporation as bodies corporate and politic of "Authorities" for municipalities, counties and townships; prescribing the rights, powers and duties of such Authorities heretofore or hereafter incorporated; authorizing such Authorities to acquire, construct, improve, maintain and operate projects, and to borrow money and issue bonds therefor; providing for the payment of such bonds, and prescribing the rights of the holders thereof; conferring the right of eminent domain on such Authorities; authorizing such Authorities to enter into contracts with and to accept grants from the Federal Government or any agency thereof; and conferring exclusive jurisdiction on certain courts over rates,' by authorizing Authorities to reject any or all bids on contracts, validating the actions of Authorities and contracts heretofore awarded after the rejection of all the first set of bids, and clarifying the effect of certain contracts heretofore or hereafter made by an Authority in violation of certain provisions of the act."

House Bill No. 1584, entitled "An Act validating certain contracts and employments entered into between Municipality Authorities and persons where the same person holding a contract as architect for a project shall have later been employed by the Authority to perform other services and duties."

Senate Bill No. 27, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 1 of the act, approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws 476), entitled, as amended 'An act to regulate and establish the fees to be charged and collected by the recorder of deeds, in counties of the second class,' by further increasing, regulating and changing such fees."

Senate Bill No. 61, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment of a board of visitation in counties of the first class for institutions, societies and associations caring for dependent, neglected or delinquent children, for the making of nominations of appointment thereto, and for the duties of such board."

Senate Bill No. 69, entitled "An Act establishing minimum compensation and increments for administrators and members of the faculty of certain State-owned schools, and imposing duties on the Boards of Trustees of such schools and the Superintendent of Public Instruction."

Senate Bill No. 112, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 1 of the act, approved the third day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws 226), entitled 'An act to establish and regulate the fees to be received and charged by the prothonotary of the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth, in counties having over eight hundred thousand, and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, according to the last preceding United States census,' by changing and further fixing the fees to be charged by the prothonotary."

Senate Bill No. 352, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 1 of the act, approved the seventeenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1798), entitled 'An act providing a fixed charge, payable by the Commonwealth, on lands acquired by the State and Federal Government for forest reserves, or for the purpose of preserving and perpetuating a portion of the original forests of Pennsylvania, and preserving and maintaining the same as public places and parks; and the distribution of the same for county, school, township, and road purposes in the counties, school districts, and townships where such forests are located; and making an appropriation,' by increasing the amounts of payments from the Commonwealth to counties."

Senate Bill No. 545, entitled "An Act directing the Department of Forests and Waters to build a replica of Ole Bull's Castle on its original site in the Susquehanna State Forest to commemorate the settlement of the colony fostered by the famous Norwegian musician."

Senate Bill No. 603, entitled "An Act creating a joint legislative committee to be known as the Joint Legislative Budget and Finance Committee; providing for its membership; defining its powers and duties; and making an appropriation."

House Bill No. 151, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of police pension funds or pension annuities in boroughs, towns and townships and the regulation and maintenance thereof; providing for continuance of existing funds or transfer thereof to funds herein established; prescribing rights of beneficiaries; and repealing certain acts."

House Bill No. 117, entitled "An Act to further amend Section 9 of the act, approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 21), entitled 'An act defining

optometry; and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and making certain exceptions; and providing a Board of Optometrical Education, Examination, and Licensure, and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained; and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act; and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board, and providing penalties for violations thereof; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith,' by specifying further reasons for the refusal, cancellation, revocation or suspension of licenses by the Board of Optometrical Education, Examination and Licensure, and providing for the making, adopting and enforcing of rules by the State Board of Optometrical Examiners."

House Bill No. 1204, entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of the act, approved the eighteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws 131), entitled 'An act requiring cities of the second class A having fire departments to allow members of said fire departments twenty-four consecutive hours of rest each week and fourteen days vacation with pay each year, except in emergency cases,' by further regulating minimum vacation periods."

House Bill No. 1384, entitled "An Act to amend the title and the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 82), entitled 'An act requiring certain cities to allow members of the fire departments twenty-four consecutive hours of rest each week and fourteen days vacation each year, except in emergency cases,' by changing the provision thereof relating to annual vacations."

Senate Bill No. 774, entitled "An Act to further amend section two thousand four hundred nine 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,' by increasing from less than fifty dollars to less than three hundred dollars the cost of articles the Department of Property and Supplies may purchase at its discretion, under certain conditions, in the open market."

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

[GREAT SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, and of the Commonwealth the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

JOHN S. FINE

Governor

By the Governor:

RICHARD R. SAMUEL

Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth