## No. 19

## AN ACT

Amending the act of May twenty-nine, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 280), entitled "An act relating to delinquent taxes on seated lands, and prescribing interest charges on non-payment thereof; requiring the receivers and collectors of county, city, borough, town, township, school district and poor district taxes to make a return to the county commissioners of such unpaid taxes, and providing for the lien thereof; authorizing the county treasurers to collect such taxes, and to sell seated lands at public sale for taxes heretofore or hereafter returned as unpaid; and authorizing the county commissioners to purchase such lands and resell the same under certain circumstances," clarifying the effect of failure to serve written notice of sale by the county treasurer.

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

Section 7, act of May 29, 1931, P. L. 280, as amended August 19, 1953, P. L. 1079, further amended.

Section seven, act of May twenty-nine. Section 1. one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 280), entitled "An act relating to delinquent taxes on seated lands, and prescribing interest charges on nonpayment thereof; requiring the receivers and collectors of county, city, borough, town, township, school district and poor district taxes to make a return to the county commissioners of such unpaid taxes, and providing for the lien thereof; authorizing the county treasurers to collect such taxes, and to sell seated lands at public sale for taxes heretofore or hereafter returned as unpaid: and authorizing the county commissioners to purchase such lands and resell the same under certain circumstances," amended August nineteen, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 1079), is amended to read:

Advertisement of sale.

Section 7. The county treasurer shall advertise the fact of holding such sale, once a week for the three successive weeks prior to the holding of such sale, in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the county in which such seated land is located, if there be two newspapers so published; if there be only one, then in such newspaper so published in the county.

Such advertisement shall set forth:

- (a) The purpose of such sale.
- (b) The time of such sale.
- (c) The place of such sale.
- (d) The terms of such sale.
- (e) A list of the seated lands affected and their location, and the owner or reputed owner of each.
  - (f) Amount of taxes and interest.

Notice.

In addition to such advertisement, at least ten days before any such sale, written notice thereof shall be served by the county treasurer, by registered mail, upon the owner of such land, and if the whereabouts of the owner is unknown, such notice shall be served by regis- Service. tered mail upon the terre tenant, if any. If such notice cannot be served in said manner on the owner or terre tenant, then such notice shall be served by the county treasurer by posting the same in the courthouse and at Posting. a conspicuous place on the premises. No such sale shall be prejudiced or defeated and no title to property sold at such sale shall be invalidated by proof that such written notice was not [served by the treasurer, or that such notice was not | received by the owner or terre tenant as herein provided.

The cost of such advertisements, notices and the service costs. thereof shall be taxed as part of the cost of such proceedings and shall be paid the same as the other costs.

Approved—The 6th day of May, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

## No. 20

## AN ACT

Amending the act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twentynine (Pamphlet Laws 905), entitled "An act for the protection of the public safety; regulating the use of highways, and the operation of vehicles, tractors, street cars, trackless trolley omnibuses, bicycles, pedestrians, and the riding of animals upon the highways of this Commonwealth; providing for the titling, including liens, encumbrances, and legal claims; registration of certain vehicles and licensing the operators thereof, upon payment of prescribed fees; prescribing and limiting the powers of local authorities to deal with the subject matter of this act; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, the Department of Highways, peace officers, mayors, burgesses, magistrates, aldermen, justices of the peace, the courts and the clerks thereof, owners of vehicles, and garage keepers; providing that records are admissible as evidence; imposing upon owners, counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, within the Commonwealth, liability for damages caused by the negligent operation of their motor vehicles; imposing penalties; imposing certain costs upon counties; providing for the dis-position of fines, forfeitures, fees, and miscellaneous receipts; making an appropriation and providing for refunds," exempting certain vehicles owned by and used exclusively by the Italian-American World War Veterans of the United States Incorporated from the payment of registration fees.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 722, act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet of May 1, 1929, Laws 905), known as "The Vehicle Code," amended August seventeen, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1264), and August twenty-four, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1352), the last property of the pr is amended to read:

"The Vehicle Code."

Subsection (a) of section 722, act