suggestions, estimates and statistics for the purpose of this act and each such department, bureau, agency, board, commission, office, establishment or instrumentality is authorized and directed to furnish such information, suggestions, estimates and statistics directly to the Commission upon request made by the Chairman or Vice Chairman.

Act effective immediately.

Section 10. Effective Date.—The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 7th day of July, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

# No. 82

### AN ACT

Providing for anthracite mine drainage, contingent on Federal aid, and making an appropriation.

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

Section 1. In the event that the Congress of the United States enacts legislation making available Federal moneys on a matching basis for the control and drainage of water from anthracite coal formations, the Commonwealth accepts the grant of Federal aid thereunder subject to the terms and conditions of the grant.

Section 2. In such event the Department of Mines shall construct ditches, flumes, backfill stripping pits and cropfalls, and improve stream beds for the purpose of preventing the flow of surface water into mines, and shall purchase the necessary materials for the same, and also shall purchase and install pumps, pipes, machinery, equipment and materials for the purpose of pumping water from abandoned mines: Provided, however, That the Commonwealth shall not bear any operating and maintenance costs whatsoever and shall not bear the installation costs of any underground facilities.

Section 3. The Secretary of Mines shall furnish to the Secretary of the Interior a statement with respect to the project showing work done, the status of the project, expenditures and amounts obligated, at such times and in such detail, as the Secretary of the Interior shall require.

Appropriation.

Section 4. The sum of eight million five hundred thousand dollars (\$8,500,000), or as much thereof as is necessary, is appropriated to the Department of Mines

Upon availability of Federal funds Commonwealth of Pennsylvania accepts on matching basis for control and drainage of water

from anthracite coal mines.

Department of Mines is authorized to perform the necessary work without operating and maintenance costs to the Commonwealth.

Secretary of Mines to report progress of project to Secretary of Interior. to match Federal moneys made available for the control and drainage of water from anthracite coal formations in this Commonwealth and to carry out the purposes of this act.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

Approved—The 7th day of July, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

## No. 83

#### AN ACT

Amending the act of June twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 477), entitled, as amended "An act providing for the payment of the salary, medical and hospital expenses of policemen, firemen and park guards by counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships who are injured in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave period, extending the provisions thereof to the State Police Force.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn- Policemen, firesylvania hereby enacts as follows:

men, park guards and State Police.

Section 1. The title and section one, act of June twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 477), entitled, as amended "An act providing for the payment of the salary, medical and hospital expenses of policemen, firmen and park guards by counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships who are injured in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave period", as amended May sixteen, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 301), and September twenty-seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1473), are amended to read:

Title and section 1, act of June 28, 1935, P. L. 477, amended May 16, 1951, P. L. 301, and September 27, 1951, P. L. 1473, further amended.

#### An Act

Providing for the payment of the salary, medical and Amended title. hospital expenses of members of the State Police Force and of policemen, firemen and park guards by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships who are injured in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave period.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That any member of the Injured State State Police Force or any policeman, fireman or park Police, policeman, fireman or guard of any county, city, borough, town or township, park guard, to be who is injured in the performance of his duties including, of salary.