later date then a sum equal to the amount such persons would have paid into such fund from the time they were first so employed.

General repeal.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts general, local and special are repealed in so far as they are inconsistent herewith.

Act effective immediately.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

GEORGE M. LEADER

## No. 146

## AN ACT

Amending the act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (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 disposition of fines, forfeitures, fees, and miscellaneous receipts; making an appropriation and providing for refunds," prescribing the maximum width of motor buses and motor omnibuses and regulating their operation on certain highways.

The "Vehicle Code".

Subsection (a), section 908, act of May 1, 1929, P. L. 905, added July 25, 1953, P. L. 554, amended.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section nine hundred eight, act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twentynine (Pamphlet Laws 905), known as the "Vehicle Code," added July twenty-five, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 554), is amended to read:

Section 908. Motor Buses and Motor Omnibuses; Size and Loads.—(a) Two axle motor buses and motor omnibuses shall not exceed a total maximum length of four hundred twenty (420) inches and three axle motor buses and motor omnibuses shall not exceed a total maximum length of four hundred eighty (480) inches and shall not exceed a total maximum height of one hundred fifty (150) inches, motor buses and motor omnibuses shall not exceed a total maximum width of ninety-six (96) inches: Provided, however. That any motor bus or motor omnibus operated within a municipality or in a business or residence district may be of a total height, including any load thereon, of one hundred seventy-four (174) inches: Provided further, That any motor bus or motor omnibus operated on a route or in group or party service wholly within a municipality may, with the consent of the municipality, be of a total length not exceeding four hundred eighty (480) inches and of a total width not exceeding one hundred two (102) inches and any motor bus or motor omnibus operated on a regular route or in group or party service which traverses more than one political subdivision may, with the approval of the Public Utility Commission, be of a total length not exceeding four hundred eighty (480) inches [Motor buses and motor omnibuses shall not exceed a total maximum width of ninety-six (96) inches] and of a total width not exceeding one hundred two (102) inches.

No motor bus nor motor omnibus having a total maximum width in excess of ninety-six (96) inches shall operate on any street or highway where the cartway (exclusive of parking space) is less than ten (10) feet in width on one-way routes or less than twenty (20) feet in width on two-way routes.

Penalty.—Any person violating any of the provisions Penalty. of subsection (a) of this section shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of ten (\$10) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) days. Any person operating any motor bus or motor omnibus upon any highway with a gross weight or with weight on any one axle or wheel exceeding by more than five (5) per centum the maximum weight allowed in subsections (b) or (c) and not exceeding by more than ten (10) per centum the maximum weight allowed shall, in each case, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of twenty-five (\$25) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) days; and any person operating any motor bus or motor omnibus on any highway with a gross weight or with weight on any one axle or wheel exceeding by more than ten (10) per centum the maximum weight

allowed in subsections (b) or (c) shall, in each case, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of fifty (\$50) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than ten (10) days. Any person violating any of the provisions of subsection (d) of this section shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten (\$10) dollars or more than twenty-five (\$25) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than ten (10) days. Such fine shall be in addition to any penalty imposed by any other section or subsection of this act.

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

GEORGE M. LEADER

## No. 147 AN ACT

To reenact and amend the title and sections one, two, three, four and five of the act, approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 482), entitled as amended "An act authorizing and requiring cities, boroughs, townships and municipal authorities engaged in the supplying of water, to shut off the supply of water for non-payment of sewer, sewerage, or sewage treatment rentals, rates, or charges imposed by municipal authorities organized by counties of the second class or by cities of the third class; authorizing and requiring them to supply to such authorities lists of metered water readings and flat-rate water bills and other data; authorizing them to act as billing and collecting agents for such authorities; and conferring certain powers upon the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in connection therewith," by extending to authorities organized by cities of the second class, second class A and boroughs the powers granted therein and imposing upon public utility companies the obligations imposed therein upon cities, boroughs, townships and municipal authorities engaged in the supplying of water.

Water supply.

The title and section 1, act of April 14, 1949, P. L. 482, amended January 14, 1952, P. L. 2040, further amended.

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

Section 1. The title and section one of the act, approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 482), entitled as amended "An act authorizing and requiring cities, boroughs, townships and municipal authorities engaged in the supplying of water, to shut off the supply of water for nonpayment of sewer, sewerage, or sewage treatment rentals, rates, or charges imposed by municipal authorities organized by counties of the second class or by cities of the third class; authorizing and requiring them to

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;borough" in original.