

No. 13

AN ACT

Abolishing the Pennsylvania Tunnel Commission; assuming its obligations; and appropriating money from the Motor License Fund.

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

Section 1. The Pennsylvania Tunnel Commission created by the act of July 29, 1953 (P. L. 1050), known as "The Intra-State Tunnel Revenue Bond Act," is abolished. The commission shall deliver all its books, records, documents and other papers and all personal property held by it to the Department of Highways, and shall convey to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania any real property acquired by it. The Commonwealth shall assume all obligations undertaken by the commission. The Department of Highways shall pay the same out of the Motor License Fund. As much of the moneys in the fund as is necessary is appropriated therefor.

Abolition of
Commission.

Section 2. The act of July 29, 1953 (P. L. 1050), known as "The Intra-State Tunnel Revenue Bond Act," and its amendments are repealed.

Repeal.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of March, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 14

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 9, 1949 (P. L. 908), entitled "An act relating to public records of political subdivisions other than cities and counties of the first class; authorizing the recording and copying of documents, plats, papers and instruments of writing by photostatic, photographic, microfilm or other mechanical process, and the admissibility thereof and enlargements thereof in evidence; providing for the storage of duplicates and sale of microfilm copies of official records and for the destruction of other records deemed valueless; and providing for the services of the Department of Property and Supplies to political subdivisions," authorizing county controllers to destroy or dispose of certain records and papers.

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

Copies of
records.

Section 1. The act of May 9, 1949 (P. L. 908), entitled "An act relating to public records of political subdivisions other than cities and counties of the first class; authorizing the recording and copying of documents,

Act of May 9,
1949, P. L. 908,
amended by
adding a new
section 6.1.

plats, papers and instruments of writing by photostatic, photographic, microfilm or other mechanical process, and the admissibility thereof and enlargements thereof in evidence; providing for the storage of duplicates and sale of microfilm copies of official records and for the destruction of other records deemed valueless; and providing for the services of the Department of Property and Supplies to political subdivisions," is amended by adding, after section 6, a new section to read:

Destruction of records in county controller's custody authorized with approval of the court of common pleas.

Section 6.1. Except checks and vouchers, the records, documents, papers or instruments of writing which have been in the county controller's custody for a period of eight years or more and which are deemed by the controller to be valueless may, with the approval of the court of common pleas, be destroyed or disposed of by the controller.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of March, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 15

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 21, 1943 (P. L. 571), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to assessment for taxation in counties of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; designating the subjects, property and persons subject to and exempt from taxation for county, borough, town, township, school, except in cities and county institution district purposes; and providing for and regulating the assessment and valuation thereof for such purposes; creating in each such county a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; defining the powers and duties of such boards; providing for the acceptance of this act by cities; regulating the office of ward, borough, town and township assessors; abolishing the office of assistant triennial assessor in townships of the first class; providing for the appointment of a chief assessor, assistant assessors and other employes; providing for their compensation payable by such counties; prescribing certain duties of and certain fees to be collected by the recorder of deeds and municipal officers who issue building permits; imposing duties on taxables making improvements on land and grantees of land; prescribing penalties; and eliminating the triennial assessment," providing for and regulating appeals from valuations and assessments of real property made by any county the first year the new assessment system is in effect, and validating appeals heretofore heard.

The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law.

Act of May 21, 1943 (P. L. 571), amended by adding a new section 702.1.

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

Section 1. The act of May 21, 1943 (P. L. 571), known as "The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law," is amended by adding, after section 702, a new section to read: