Section 3. Article XI. of the act is amended by adding, after section 1162, a new section to read:

Section 1163. Supervising Principals of Joint Boards or Union or Merged Districts.-When two or more school districts employing supervising principals form a joint board or union or merged district, the board of school directors of the joint school or union or merged district shall select one of them regardless of seniority or rating as supervising principal of the joint board or union or merged district. The board of school directors shall assign the supervising principals not selected as supervising principal of the joint school, union or merged district to positions for which they are certificated and may adjust the salaries according to the classification of the positions to which they may be assigned.

Approved—The 3rd day of July, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

## No. 259

## AN ACT

Amending the act of May 15, 1933 (P. L. 565), entitled "An act relating to the powers and duties of the Department of Banking and the Secretary of Banking in exercising supervision over, and taking possession of and conducting or liquidating the business and property of, corporations, associations, and persons receiving deposits or otherwise transacting a banking business, corporations acting as fiduciaries, and building and loan associations; providing for the payment of the expenses of the Department of Banking by supervised corporations, associations, or persons, and appropriating the Banking Department Fund; authorizing the Department of Banking, under certain circumstances, to examine corporations, associations, or persons affiliated, or having business transactions with supervised corporations, associations or persons; authorizing appeals to the Supreme Court, and prescribing and limiting the powers and duties of certain other courts and their prothonotaries, registers of wills, recorders of deeds, and certain State departments, commissions, and officers; authorizing certain local public officers and State departments to collect fees for services rendered under this act; providing penalties; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts," enlarging the department's general scope of supervision and powers over institutions.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn- Department of sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 202, act of May 15, 1933 (P. L. Section 202, act 565), known as the "Department of Banking Code," is P. L. 565, amended to read:

Section 202. General Scope of Supervision; Exercise of Discretion.—A. In addition to the powers and duties provided for in this act, the department shall exercise

Article XI., of the act, amended by adding a new section 1163.

Banking Code.

amended.

any power and fulfill any duty imposed upon it by any other law of this Commonwealth. Except where otherwise specifically provided, the department shall enforce and administer all laws of this Commonwealth which relate to any institution, and shall exercise such general supervision over institutions as will afford the greatest possible safety to depositors, other creditors, and shareholders thereof, insure the safe and sound conduct of the business of such institutions, conserve their assets, maintain the public confidence in such institutions and protect the public interest.

B. Whenever under this act, discretion is vested in the department or any board thereof as to whether, or the manner in which, to exercise a power or fulfill a duty, the department or board shall, after such examination or investigation as it shall deem appropriate under the circumstances, [take such action as it deems to the best interests of the depositors, other creditors, and shareholders of such institution] exercise such discretion in such a manner as it shall deem necessary to insure the safe and sound conduct of the business of any institution subject to its supervision, conserve its assets, maintain public confidence in the business of such institutions and protect the public interest and the interest of depositors, other creditors and shareholders thereof.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved—The 3rd day of July, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

## No. 260

## AN ACT

Amending the act of May 15, 1933 (P. L. 624), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to the business of banking, and to the exercise of fiduciary powers by corporations; providing for the organization of corporations with fiduciary powers, and of banking corporations, with or without fiduciary powers, including the conversion of National banks into State banks, and for the licensing of private bankers and employes' mutual banking associations; defining the rights, powers, duties, liabilities, and immunities of such corporations, of existent corporations authorized to engage in a banking business, with or without fiduciary powers, of private bankers and employes' mutual banking associations, and of the officers, directors, trustees, shareholders, attorneys, and other employes of all such corporations, employes' mutual banking associations or private bankers, or of affiliated corporations, associations, or persons; restricting the exercise of banking powers by any other corporation, association, or person, and of fiduciary powers by any other corporation; conferring powers and imposing duties upon