No. 450

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," requiring the Board of Pardons to adopt rules and regulations controlling its actions in all cases except those involving applicants under sentence of death.

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

Section 1. Section 909, act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," is amended to read:

Section 909. Board of Pardons.—The Board of Pardons shall have the power to hear applications for the remission of fines and forfeitures, and the granting of reprieves, commutations of sentence, and pardons, except in cases of impeachment, and to make recommendations in writing to the Governor thereon, in the manner provided in and under and subject to Article IV, Section 9, of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

The Board of Pardons shall adopt rules and regulations governing its actions and no hearings or recommendations except those involving applicants under sentence of death shall be contrary thereto. Each rule or regulation so adopted shall take effect thirty days after the adoption thereof.

Section 2. The rules and regulations of the Board of Pardons in effect on the date of this act shall remain in effect for ninety days.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED-The 19th day of July, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

The Administrative Code of 1929.

Section 909, act of April 9, 1929. P. L. 177, amended.

Termination of effect of present rules and regulations in 90 days.

Act effective immediately.