Dutles of department. America operating under the Federal companion legislation has likewise ruled that an emergency exists, the Department of Mines and Mineral Industries shall:

- (1) Conduct rescue operations;
- (2) Without advertising or competitive bidding, purchase material and equipment, and provide labor and techniques for pumping of water from the mines, constructing ditches, flumes and other devices for mine drainage, for sealing, backfilling and for the performance of any other work designated by the Secretary of Mines and Mineral Industries as expedient to prevent the spreading and reduce the hazards from flooding of mines;
- (3) Pay for power and for other costs attendant upon the operation and maintenance of pumping and other devices for mine drainage;
- (4) Perform the purpose of the act with personnel of the department or by contract with others;
- (5) Reimburse any person, agency or corporation for material, labor and equipment furnished at the request of the Department of Mines and Mineral Industries in the performance of the aforesaid duties;
- (6) Pay for the foregoing whether already undertaken or to be undertaken hereafter;
- (7) Conduct investigation to determine the cause of this disaster and to institute measures to insure the future safety and health of persons in the area; and
- (8) Do all necessary and expedient to effect the purposes of this act.

Effective date.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 11th day of February, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 2

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 2, 1925 (P. L. 501), entitled "An act authorizing municipalities to impose a penalty, not exceeding five per centum, on all municipal assessments which are not paid within ninety days from the date of the assessment," extending the provisions of the act to townships.

Municipalities and townships.

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

Title and section 1, act of May 2, 1925, P. L. 501, amended.

Section 1. The title and section 1, act of May 2, 1925 (P. L. 501), entitled "An act authorizing municipalities to impose a penalty, not exceeding five per

centum, on all municipal assessments which are not paid within ninety days from the date of the assessment," are amended to read:

An Act

Authorizing municipalities and townships to impose a New title. penalty, not exceeding five per centum, on all municipal assessments which are not paid within ninety days from the date of the assessment.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after Penalty may be the passage of this act any municipality or township of failure to pay this Commonwealth shall have the right to impose a penmunicipal and this Commonwealth shall have the right to impose a penalty, not exceeding five per centum, for failure to pay any municipal assessment which remains unpaid for ninety days after the assessment shall have been levied. Such penalty shall be added to the assessment and included in the amount for which the municipal lien is filed for such unpaid assessment.

township assessment.

Approved—The 11th day of March, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 3

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103), entitled "An act concerning townships of the second class; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," increasing the mileage allowance for delegates to meetings of the state associations of township officers.

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

Section 1. Section 612, act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103), known as "The Second Class Township Code," reenacted and amended July 10, 1947 (P. L. 1481), and amended June 28, 1957 (P. L. 441), is amended to read:

Section 612. Expenses and Mileage.—The expenses allowed the delegates attending the annual meeting shall be twenty dollars per day for each delegate for not more than four days including the time employed in traveling thereto and therefrom, together with [eight] ten cents per mile in going to and returning from such meeting and shall be paid by the respective county associations.

APPROVED—The 11th day of March, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

The Second Class Township Code.

Section 612, Section 612, act of May 1, 1933, P. L. 103, re-enacted and amended July 10, 1947, P. L. 1481, and June 28, 1957, P. L. 441, further nmended.