or corporation was named therein, provided the action is brought within one year after the time the cause of action accrued. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the power of the Authority to construct, repair or improve any project or portion thereof, or any addition, betterment or extension thereto directed by the officers, agents and employes of the Authority or otherwise than by contract.

(b) All supplies and materials costing [five hundred dollars (\$500.00)] one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or more shall be purchased only after due advertisement as hereinafter provided. Authority shall accept the lowest bid or bids, kind, quality and material being equal, but the Authority shall have the right to reject any or all bids or select a single item from any bid. The provisions as to bidding shall not apply to the purchase of patented and manufactured products offered for sale in a noncompetitive market, or solely by a manufacturer's authorized dealer.

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Approved—The 19th day of March, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 12

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 23, 1931 (P. L. 932), entitled "An Act relating to cities of the third class; and amending, revising, and consolidating the law relating thereto," providing for the annexation of boroughs having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants.

The Third Class City Code. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 501, act of June 23, 1931, P. L. 982, re-enacted and amended June 28, 1951, P. L. 662, further amended.

Section 1. Section 501, act of June 23, 1931 (P. L. 932), known as "The Third Class City Code," reenacted and amended June 28, 1951 (P. L. 662), is amended to read:

Section 501. Petition for Annexation of Boroughs or Townships and Parts of Townships.—Any borough [having a population of less than ten thousand inhabitants,] or any township or part of a township, contiguous to any city, whether wholly or partially within the same or different counties, may become annexed to any such city in the following manner:

(a) In the case of a borough, the borough council may pass an ordinance for such annexation, whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such borough

shall present a petition, accompanied with the written consent of a majority in number and interest of property owners of the borough, asking for such annexation.

- (b) In the case of a township, or part thereof, whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such township or part thereof shall present a petition to the council of said city, accompanied with the written consent of a majority in number and interest of property owners of such township or part of a township, asking for such annexation.
- (c) In case of part of a township, when there are no taxable inhabitants residing therein, then whenever three-fifths of the property owners in number and interest of property situated therein shall present a petition to the council of said city asking for such annexation.

In construing this section, a majority in interest of owners of undivided interests in any piece of property shall be deemed and treated as one person for the purpose of ascertaining the number of petitioners.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately. APPROVED-The 1st day of April, A. D. 1959.

Act effective immediately.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 13

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," increasing the amount commissioners may spend in contracts without advertising.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn- County Code. sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1801, subsections (a), (b) and the first paragraph of subsection (h) of section 1802 and sections 1803 and 1804, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," are amended to read ·

Section 1801. Commissioners Sole Contractors for County.—The county commissioners shall contract for and purchase all services referred to in section five hundred eight and personal property for county officers and agencies. All contracts and purchases not in excess of [seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750)] one thousand dol-

Section 1801, subsections (a), (b) and first paragraph of subsection (h), section 1802, and sections 1803 and 1804, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended.