to provide for and pay the floating indebtedness of said annexed and merged school district. Said levy shall not exceed one-half of the last previous total annual millage levied by said school district of the first class.

Approved—The 10th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 507

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 14, 1929 (P. L. 1721), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the service of process in civil suits on nonresident operators, or nonresident owners, of motor vehicles operated within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and making the operation of such a motor vehicle on the public highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the equivalent of the appointment of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as the agent of the said nonresident, upon whom civil process may be served; and providing for further notice to the defendant in any such suit," providing for service of process on nonresidents, or residents who subsequently become nonresidents or conceal their whereabouts, on whose behalf a motor vehicle is being operated in Pennsylvania.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn- Motor Vehicles. sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The title and section 1, act of May 14, 1929 (P. L. 1721), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the service of process in civil suits on nonresident operators, or nonresident owners, of motor vehicles operated within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and making the operation of such a motor vehicle on the public highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the equivalent of the appointment of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as the agent of the said nonresident, upon whom civil process may be served; and providing for further, notice to the defendant in any such suit," amended February 17, 1956 (P. L. 1068), are amended to read:

Title and section 1, act of May 14, 1929, P. L. 1721, amended February 17, 1956, P. L. 1068, further amended.

AN ACT

Providing for the service of process in civil suits on non- New title. resident operators, [or] nonresident owners or nonresident persons in whose behalf a motor vehicle is being operated or motor vehicles operated within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and making the operation of such a motor vehicle on the public highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the equivalent of the appointment of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as the

agent of the said nonresident, upon whom civil process may be served; and providing for further notice to the defendant in any such suit.

Suits against nonresident operators or owners.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., (a) That from and after the passage of this act, any nonresident of this Commonwealth, being the operator or owner of any motor vehicle, or being a person in whose behalf a motor vehicle is being operated whether or not such person is the operator or owner, who shall accept the privilege extended by the laws of this Commonwealth to nonresident operators and owners of operating a motor vehicle, or of having the same operated, within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any resident of this Commonwealth, being the licensed operator or owner of any motor vehicle under the laws of this Commonwealth, or being a person in whose behalf a motor vehicle is being operated whether or not such person is the operator or owner, who shall subsequently become a nonresident or shall conceal his whereabouts, shall, by such acceptance or licensure, as the case may be, and by the operation of such motor vehicle within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, make and constitute the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania his, her, or their agent for the service of process in any civil suit or proceeding instituted in the courts of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or in the United States District Courts of Pennsylvania against such operator or owner of such motor vehicle or person in whose behalf such motor vehicle is being operated whether or not such person is the operator or owner, arising out of, or by reason of, any accident or collision occurring within the Commonwealth in which such motor vehicle is involved.

Presumption binding on personal representative of deceased nonresident owner or operator.

(b) A nonresident operator, [or] owner, or person in whose behalf such motor vehicle is being operated whether or not such person is the operator or owner, of a motor vehicle which is involved in an accident or collision within this Commonwealth, shall be deemed to have consented that the appointment of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as his agent for the service of process, pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall be irrevocable and binding upon his personal representative, executor or administrator. Where the nonresident motorist has died, prior to the commencement of an action brought pursuant to this section, service of process shall be made on the personal representative, executor or administrator of such nonresident motorist in the same manner and on the same notice as is provided in the case of a nonresident motorist. Where an action has been duly commenced, under the provisions of this section, by service upon a defendant who dies thereafter, if the personal representative, executor or administrator of such defendant does not voluntarily become a party, he

may be substituted as a party under the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure, and service of process shall be made in the *same manner and on the same notice as is provided in the case of a nonresident motorist.

Approved—The 10th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 508

AN ACT

Authorizing the board of directors of railroad companies to constitute an executive committee from among their number, and conferring such authority upon the committee as the board shall provide.

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

Railroad companies.

Section 1. It shall be lawful for the board of directors of any railroad company, incorporated under or by any general or special act of assembly of this Commonwealth, by resolution adopted by a majority of the whole board, to delegate two or more of its number to constitute an executive committee which, to the extent provided in such resolution, shall have and exercise the authority of the board of directors in the management of the business of the company.

Board of directors of railroad companies authorized to constitute an executive committee with specific authority.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

Approved—The 10th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 509

AN ACT

Concerning the right of stockholders of record of railroad corporations to vote at meetings and elections thereof; providing for the voting in person, or by proxy, of shares of capital stock of railroad corporations held of record by fiduciaries or by two or more persons and for voting shares pledged by the holder thereof; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to railroad corporations.

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

Railroad corporations.

Section 1. Except as otherwise provided in this act, every holder of record of shares of any railroad corporation organized under the laws of this State shall have

Right to vote shares in person or by proxy.

^{* &}quot;some" in original.