

An Act

New title.

Authorizing the Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, to erect and maintain a high level bridge over the Allegheny River, [in] *near* Freeport, Armstrong County, and to provide the necessary approaches and connections with State highways; empowering counties to pay certain damages.

Authority to build a bridge, in Armstrong County, over the Allegheny River, granted to Department of Highways, subject to approval of Governor.
Limitation of amount to be expended.
Act effective immediately.

Section 1. The Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, is authorized to erect and construct a high level bridge over the Allegheny River, [in] *near* Freeport, Armstrong County, replacing the Garvers Ferry Bridge and to acquire the necessary land for approaching thereto. The Department of Highways shall not expend more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in the erection and construction of the bridge.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 557

AN ACT

Imposing a tax on real estate for public school purposes in school districts of the first class and first class A for current expenses.

School districts of first class and first class A.

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

Board of Public Education authorized to levy annual tax of two mills on each dollar of assessment of real property.

Section 1. The Board of Public Education in school districts of the first class and first class A shall levy, annually, on or after the second Monday of November and before the first Monday of December next following, a tax for the following fiscal year of two mills on each dollar of the total assessment of all real property assessed and certified for taxation in the district.

Proceeds to be used for general school purposes.

Section 2. The taxes and penalties collected under the provisions of this act shall be used by the school district for general public school purposes.

Tax is in addition to other taxes.

Section 3. The tax authorized to be levied under the provisions of this act shall be in addition to any other taxes any school district of the first class and first class A is empowered to levy and collect under any existing law.

Section 4. The taxes which are levied under the provisions of this act shall be collected at the same time in the same manner with like authority and subject to the same discounts and penalties as other real estate taxes for school purposes are collected.

Collection same as other school taxes on real estate.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 558

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 1, 1889 (P. L. 420), entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine," continuing in effect the rate of tax of fourteen mills heretofore imposed upon the gross receipts of certain companies, limited partnerships, associations, joint-stock associations, copartnerships and persons, and imposing the tax upon the gross receipts of gas companies and municipalities engaged in gas business.

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

Tax on gross receipts of utilities.

Section 1. Section 23, act of June 1, 1889 (P. L. 420), entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine," amended April 4, 1957 (P. L. 28), is amended to read:

Section 23, act of June 1, 1889, P. L. 420, amended April 4, 1957, P. L. 28, further amended.

Section 23. That every railroad company, pipe line company, conduit company, steamboat company, canal company, slack water navigation company, transportation company, and every other company, association, joint-stock association, or limited partnership, now or hereafter incorporated or organized by or under any law of this Commonwealth, or now or hereafter organized or incorporated by any other State or by the United States or any foreign government, and doing business in this Commonwealth, and every copartnership, person or persons owning, operating or leasing to or from another corporation, company, association, joint-stock association, limited partnership, copartnership, person or persons, any railroad, pipe line, conduit, steamboat, canal, slack water navigation, or other device for the transportation of freight, passengers, baggage, or oil, except taxicabs, motor buses and motor omnibuses, and every limited partnership, association, joint-stock association, corporation or company engaged in, or here-

Imposition of rate of tax.