

Section 6. Short Title.—This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Uniform Facsimile Signature of Public Officials Act.”

Section 7. Constitutionality.—If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 8. Repeal.—All acts and parts of acts are repealed in so far as they are inconsistent herewith.

Section 9. Effective Date.—This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 25th day of July, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 368

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 25, 1941 (P. L. 159), entitled “An act amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating to the borrowing of money by certain political subdivisions, the authorization, issuance and sale of general obligation bonds as herein defined, of bonds imposing no general obligation of debt and of bonds not deemed to constitute a debt for certain purposes, and to the funding of debt and the refunding of bonds; regulating the keeping and use of sinking funds; imposing powers and duties upon the Department of Internal Affairs and upon corporate bodies and officers of political subdivisions; imposing penalties, and repealing existing laws,” regulating the payment, sale price, and interest of non-debt revenue bonds.

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

Section 1. Section 623, act of June 25, 1941 (P. L. 159), known as the “Municipal Borrowing Law,” is amended to read:

Section 623. Certain Procedure Required.—[(a)] All non-debt revenue bonds authorized, issued and sold under the authority of subdivision (b) of this article shall be [serial bonds as provided in article two of this act for general obligation bonds] *payable in annual installments of which no annual installment, including principal and interest, shall be of greater amount than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) more than any preceding year, or twenty (20) per centum of any preceding year, whichever is greater, beginning not later than five years after the date of the bonds with maturities not exceeding forty years, or the estimated period of usefulness of the property or*

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P. L. 159,
amended.

improvement for which such bonds shall be issued, *whichever is earlier*, which period of usefulness shall be stated in the ordinance authorizing such bonds, and when so stated shall be conclusive [and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding] *and may be sold for such price or prices as the municipality shall determine: Provided, That the interest cost to maturity of the money received for any issue of said bonds shall not exceed six per centum per annum in addition to any taxes, payment of which may be assumed by the municipality.*

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 25th day of July, A.D. 1961.

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No. 369

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 4, 1925 (P. L. 127), entitled "An act relating to Adoption," further prescribing which persons must appear in court.

Adoption.

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

Section 3, act of April 4, 1925, P. L. 127, amended August 26, 1953, P. L. 1411, further amended.

Section 1. Section 3, act of April 4, 1925 (P. L. 127), entitled "An act relating to Adoption," amended August 26, 1953 (P. L. 1411), is amended to read:

Section 3. Hearings.—Upon presentation of any such petition to adopt as aforesaid a time for hearing thereon shall be fixed not less than ten days from said presentation, which said hearing shall be private or in open court, as the court shall determine, and may be adjourned from time to time if the nature of the case should so require. At said hearing the adopting parents or parent, the person proposed to be adopted, if in the opinion of the court [such persons' presence] *the presence of the person to be adopted* is deemed necessary, and all the persons whose consent is necessary hereunder and any person concerned individually or as a representative of an agency acting as an intermediary between the natural parent or parents and the adopting parents must appear in person and be examined under oath by such court or judge, but the personal appearance of the natural parents or other persons whose consent is necessary hereunder may be dispensed with in the discretion of the court or judge hearing the petition, if such persons reside without the jurisdiction of the court, or if for any other reason the said court or judge deem it unnecessary, provided the duly executed consents of such persons in writing have been