For the purpose of this act, any historical Qualifications of society in the Commonwealth shall be deemed to be quali-societies. fied if it shall have at least one hundred paid members, and shall have been organized at least two years and incorporated by the proper authority; if it shall hold at least one public meeting yearly whereat papers shall be read or discussions held on historic subjects; if it shall have adopted a constitution and by-laws and elected proper officers to conduct its business, and if it shall either have established a museum wherein books, documents, papers and other objects of historic interest shall be deposited or have made periodic publications totalling at least twenty-five pages each year relating to Pennsylvania State or local historical interest.

APPROVED-The 26th day of July, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 395

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and tractors," authorizing the Secretary of Highways to erect accurate mile courses and designations along State highways.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 1110, act of Subsection (a), April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), known as "The Vehicle Code," is amended to read:

section 1110, act of April 29, 1959. P. L. 58, amended.

Section 1110. Erection of Traffic Signs, Signals, [and] Markings and Mile Courses .-

(a) The Secretary of Highways of this Commonwealth with reference to State highways and local authorities in counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships of the first class with reference to highways under their jurisdiction, are hereby authorized to erect and maintain official traffic signs, signals and markings. The Secretary of Highways may erect accurate mile courses and descriptions on and along side State highways in order to aid the general traveling public in calibrating their speedometers. Before local authorities, except in cities of the first and second class, shall erect or cause to be erected traffic signals, they must first obtain the approval of the Secretary of Highways of this Commonwealth.

Local authorities in counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships and school districts, may, at their discretion, place or cause to be placed and used within school zones, warning figures commonly known as silent policemen, on highways and State highways within such political subdivisions, subject, however, to the following conditions:

- (1) A school zone shall be a distance not exceeding one hundred (100) feet from the nearest boundary of the school grounds in any direction.
- (2) No such warning figure shall be left in place on any highway, except for the period beginning one (1) hour before school convenes and ending one (1) hour after school adjourns.
- (3) No such warning figure shall be placed on any highway in conflict with any rule or regulation adopted and promulgated by the Secretary of Highways under section 1105 of this act.
- (4) The Secretary of Highways with reference to State highways and local authorities in counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships with respect to highways under their jurisdiction, may, in their discretion, determine the proper placing and location of such warning figures.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of July, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 396

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 15, 1933 (P. L. 624), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to the business of banking, and to the exercise of fiduciary powers by corporations; providing for the organization of corporations with fiduciary powers, and of banking corporations, with or without fiduciary powers, including the conversion of National banks into State banks, and for the licensing of private bankers and employes' mutual banking associations; defining the rights, powers, duties, liabilities, and immunities of such corporations; of existent corporations authorized to engage in a banking business, with or without fiduciary powers, of private bankers and employes' mutual banking associations, and of the officers, directors, trustees, shareholders, attorneys, and other employes of all such corporations, employes' mutual banking associations or private bankers, or of affiliated corporations, associations, or persons; restricting the exercise of banking powers by any other corporation, as-