#### No. 452

# AN ACT

Amending the act of June 29, 1953 (P. L. 304), entitled "An act providing for the administration of a statewide system of vital statistics; prescribing the functions of the State Department of Health, the State Advisory Health Board and local registrars; imposing duties upon coroners, prothonotaries, clerks of orphans' court, physicians, midwives and other persons; requiring reports and certificates for the registration of vital statistics; regulating the disposition of dead bodies; limiting the disclosure of records; prescribing the sufficiency of vital statistics records as evidence; prescribing fees and penalties; and revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto,' requiring reports of deaths to be made to County Registration Commissions.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn- Law of 1953. sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

The act of June 29, 1953 (P. L. 304), known as the "Vital Statistics Law of 1953," is amended by adding, after section 801, a new section to read:

Act of June 29, 1953, P. L. 304, amended by adding a new section 801.1.

Section 801.1. Records: Reports to County Registration Commissions.—The department shall report monthly in writing to the registration commission of each county the deaths of residents of such counties, except residents less than twenty years of age, for the preceding month. Said report shall contain the full name of the decedent, his last address, the date of his birth if available, and the date of his death.

Approved—The 18th day of August, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

# No. 453

# AN ACT

Amending the act of June 25, 1947 (P. L. 1145), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering cities of the second class, cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of the second class, school districts of the second class, school districts of the third class and school districts of the fourth class to levy, assess, and collect or to provide for the levying, assessment and collection of certain additional taxes subject to maximum limitations for general revenue purposes; authorizing the establishment of bureaus and the appointment and compensation of officers and employes to assess and collect such taxes; and permitting penalties to be imposed and enforced; providing an appeal from the ordinance or resolution levying such taxes to the court of quarter sessions and to the Supreme Court and Superior Court," changing the over-all limit of tax revenues for certain taxing districts.

Taxation.

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

Subsection C, section 1, act of June 25, 1947, P. L. 1145, amended July 12, 1957, P. L. 831, further amended.

Subsection C of section 1, act of June 25, Section 1. 1947 (P. L. 1145), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering cities of the second class, cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of the second class, school districts of the second class, school districts of the third class and school districts of the fourth class to levy. assess, and collect or to provide for the levying, assessment and collection of certain additional taxes subject to maximum limitations for general revenue purposes: authorizing the establishment of bureaus and the appointment and compensation of officers and employes to assess and collect such taxes; and permitting penalties to be imposed and enforced; providing an appeal from the ordinance or resolution levying such taxes to the court of quarter sessions and to the Supreme Court and Superior Court," amended July 12, 1957 (P. L. 831), is amended to read:

# Section 1. \* \* \*

C. Over-All Limit of Tax Revenues.—The aggregate amount of all taxes imposed by any political subdivision under this section and in effect during any fiscal year shall not exceed an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the latest total [assessed] market valuation of real estate in such political subdivision, as determined by the board for the assessment and revision of taxes or any similar board established by the assessment laws which determines market values of real estate within the political subdivision, by [fifteen (15)] twelve (12) mills. In school districts of the second class, third class and fourth class and in any political subdivision within a county where no market values of real estate have been determined by the board for the assessment and revision of taxes, or any similar board, the aggregate amount of all taxes imposed under this section and in effect during any fiscal year shall not exceed an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the latest total market valuation of real estate in such school district, or other political subdivision, as certified by the State Tax Equalization Board, by twelve (12) mills. In school districts of the third and fourth class, taxes imposed on sales involving the transfer of real property shall not be included in computing the aggregate amount of taxes for any fiscal year in which one hundred (100) or more new homes or other major improvements on real estate were constructed in the school district.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

Approved—The 18th day of August, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

#### No. 454

# AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," providing for reconsideration of decisions in annexation proceedings.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penn-Public School Code of 1949. sylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 228, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended July 3, 1957 (P. L. 467), is amended to read:

Subsection (c), section 228, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended July 3, 1957, P. L. 467, further amended.

Section 228. Approval or Disapproval of Creation or Change of Third or Fourth Class Districts.—

(c) If, in the judgment of the council, the application should not be granted, it shall endorse thereon "not approved," and transmit a certified copy thereof to the clerk of the courts or other proper officer from whom the application was received, who shall file the same in the original proceedings. In such event, if no request for a review is filed within ninety days or within ninety days of the effective date of this act, whichever is later, the action of the council is final and the boundaries of the existing school district shall remain unchanged. ninety days after the decision of the council or within ninety days of the effective date of this act, whichever is later, ten taxables of any school district affected by the council's decision may file a request for a review of the action of the council in which case the council, for cause shown, may vacate such refusal, and may approve the creation of such new district of the third or fourth class or change in boundaries of an existing district of the third or fourth class, and thereupon the same proceedings shall be had as herein provided upon the original application and with like effect. After the elapse of five years from the date of any refusal by the State Council of Education to approve an annexation for school pur-