Section 1. Section 1936, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," amended August 28, 1959 (P. L. 783), is amended to read:

Section 1936, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended August 28, 1959, P. L. 783, further amended.

Section 1936. Agricultural Extension Work.—The board of commissioners may appropriate a sum not to exceed [eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)] twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) annually for agricultural extension work, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State University, in encouraging improved methods of farm management and home economics and giving practical instruction and demonstrations in agriculture, for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the county. The money so appropriated shall be expended according to rules and regulations prescribed or approved by the board of commissioners. The board of commissioners may also, where practicable and desirable, provide offices in the county court house for headquarters for such cooperative work.

Approved—The 22nd day of August, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 469

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second class; amending, revising. consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," increasing the limitations on appropriations which may be made for agricultural extension work.

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

Section 1. Section 2136, act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," amended August 28, 1959 (P. L. 785), is amended to read:

Agricultural Extension Work.—The Section 2136. board of commissioners may make appropriations not to exceed [eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)] twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) annually for agricultural extension work, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State University, in encouraging improved methods of farm management and home economics and giving practical instruction and demonstrations in agriculture, for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the county. The money so appropriated shall be expended according to rules and regulations prescribed or approved by the board of commissioners.

Section 2136, act of July 28, 1953, P. L. 723, amended August 28, 1959, P. L. 785, further amended.

The board of commissioners may also, where practicable and desirable, provide offices in the county court house for headquarters for such cooperative work.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of August, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 470 AN ACT

Amending the act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 350), entitled "An act relating to the retirement of public school employes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," by further providing for optional membership.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 201 of the act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 350), known as the "Public School Employes" Retirement Code of 1959," is amended by adding, at the end thereof, a new clause to read:

Section 201. Mandatory and Optional Membership.—

(1) Membership in the retirement system shall be mandatory for all school employes, except the following:

(d) School employes in the Department of Public Instruction, State * Colleges, Thaddeus Stevens Trade School, Pennsylvania State Oral School for the Deaf, Scotland School for Veterans' Children and Pennsylvania State University, who are members of the retirement system on the effective date of this act and who file with the retirement board within one year after January 1, 1962, an election in writing to transfer such membership and become members of the State Employes' Retirement System.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved—The 22nd day of August, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 471 AN ACT

Amending the act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 392), entitled "An act relating to the retirement of State employes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," by changing definition of "State employe" and permitting certain members of the school employes' retirement system to elect to become members.

Public School Employes' Retirement Code of 1959.

Subsection (1), section 201, act of June 1, 1959, P. L. 350, amended by adding a new clause (d).

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