

Section 1. Section 3, act of June 13, 1961 (P. L. 286), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, to sell and convey 3.68 acres, more or less, of land situate in Indiana Borough, Indiana County," is amended to read:

Section 3, act of June 13, 1961, P. L. 286, amended.

Section 3. All moneys received from the sale of the land herein authorized to be conveyed shall be deposited in the [General] *Motor License* Fund.

Disposition of proceeds.

APPROVED—The 20th day of March, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 3

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 6, 1956 (P. L. 1414), entitled, as amended, "An act to promote the welfare of the people of this Commonwealth; creating Port Authorities to function in counties of the second class as bodies corporate and politic, with power to plan, acquire, construct, maintain and operate facilities and projects for the improvement and development of the port district and to borrow money and issue bonds therefor; providing for the payment of such bonds and prescribing the rights of the holders thereof; conferring the right of eminent domain on the authorities; authorizing the authorities to enter into contracts with and to accept grants from the Federal government or any agency thereof; and conferring exclusive jurisdiction on certain courts over rates and services; and authorizing the authorities to collect tolls, fares, fees, rentals and charges for the use of facilities; defining the authorities' powers and duties, and defining the port districts; granting Port Authorities the exclusive right to engage in the business of owning, operating, and maintaining a transportation system for the transportation of persons in counties of the second class, providing, when necessary, for extension of transportation systems into adjoining counties and outside of said counties as provided in the act; limiting the jurisdiction of the Public Utility Commission over Port Authorities; authorizing municipalities to make loans and grants and to transfer existing facilities; authorizing Port Authorities to enter into contracts with and to accept grants from State and local governments or agencies thereof; exempting the property and facilities of such Port Authorities from taxation and limiting the time to commence civil action against said Authorities," specifying additional purposes for which grants and loans may be made to a port authority facility by a county of the second class, permitting the development of demonstration projects without meeting the filing and recording requirements to which a completed system is subject, and eliminating certain clauses as to time of filing of plans for establishing an integrated transportation system.

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

Second Class
County Port
Authority Act.

Section 13, act of April 6, 1956, P. L. 1414, amended October 7, 1959, P. L. 1266, further amended.

Political subdivisions empowered to cooperate with authority legally.

Section 1. Section 13, act of April 6, 1956 (P. L. 1414), known as the "Second Class County Port Authority Act," amended October 7, 1959 (P. L. 1266), is amended to read:

Section 13. Any municipality or owner is hereby authorized to sell, lease, lend, grant, transfer or convey to the authority, with or without consideration, any facility or any part or parts thereof, or any interest in real or personal property which may be used by the authority in the construction, improvement, maintenance or operation of any facility. Any municipality is also authorized to transfer, sell, assign and set over to the authority any contracts which may have been awarded by such municipality for the construction of facilities not begun, or if begun, not completed. Any county of the second class is hereby empowered to issue general obligation or non-debt revenue bonds for the purpose of providing funds for the acquisition, construction or improvement of any facility. Any county of the second class may and it is hereby authorized to make grants or loans from current revenues or the proceeds of general obligation bonds to the authority to assist in defraying the costs of *any demonstration, test or experimental projects, and the costs of studies in preparation of a plan of integrated operation and for the operation, [or] maintenance and debt service* of any facility and to enter into long term agreements providing for the payment of such grants.

Second paragraph, section 13.1 of the act, added October 7, 1959, P. L. 1266, further amended.

Section 2. The second paragraph of section 13.1 of the act, added October 7, 1959 (P. L. 1266), is amended to read:

Section 13.1. * * *

The referendum on this question shall be governed in all respects by the election laws of the Commonwealth in so far as they are applicable. Upon final approval by the board of county commissioners, the original or revised plan of integrated operation shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county or counties affected thereby and a copy of said plan of integrated operation shall also be filed with the *Pennsylvania* Public Utility Commission. The authority shall, thereafter, have the right to make such changes in the pattern of its integrated system as it may deem proper, subject to appeal to the court of common pleas in the same manner as provided for in clause (9) of subsection (b) of section 3 of this act, by adopting an amendment to the plan of integrated operation and filing and recording the same in the office of the recorder of deeds and with the *Pennsylvania* Public Utility Commission as above provided. The authority shall not have power

to acquire by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, any existing transportation systems, or engage in the operation of a transportation system as provided under this act, until it has met the requirements for recording and filing of the plan of integrated operation as provided herein: Provided, however, That the authority may enter into option agreements with any existing transportation systems for the purchase, lease or operation thereof, subject to the final approval of the plan of integrated operation by the board of county commissioners: *Provided further, That nothing in this section, including the foregoing proviso clause, shall prevent, limit, restrict or interfere with in any way an undertaking or joining by the authority of any demonstration, test or experimental project relevant to, and necessary for, the establishment of an integrated transportation system or of any demonstration, test or experimental project that may be required, or advisable, to establish the feasibility of an integrated transportation system.*

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Section 3. The last paragraph of section 13.1 of the act amended September 16, 1961 (P. L. 1361), is amended to read:

**Last paragraph,
section 13.1 of
the act amended
September 16,
1961, P. L. 1361,
further amended.**

Section 13.1. * * *

[The authority shall submit its original plan of integrated operation to the board of county commissioners of the county incorporating the authority within two years from the effective date of this amendment to the act and the] *The authority shall, within two years after approval by the board of county commissioners and the recording and filing of the plan of integrated operation in the office of the recorder of deeds and with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission as hereinabove provided, acquire by purchase, lease or eminent domain, or shall enter into an operation contract with all transportation systems operating entirely within the county in which the authority is created or eighty per centum of whose revenue vehicle miles for the preceding calendar year are operated within said county, except those transportation systems subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission: Provided, That the court of common pleas of the county in which such authority is created may, upon cause shown, extend [either or both of] the two-year [periods] period hereinbefore mentioned: And provided, That if the authority shall at any time desire to abandon or change any portion of a transportation system outside the territorial limits of the county incorporating the authority, the approval for such abandonment or change must be secured by the authority from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Com-*

mission: And provided further, That all group and party services provided by the authority outside the service area under rights acquired by it pursuant to this act shall be subject to the regulation by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Act effective immediately.

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 20th day of March, A. D. 1963.

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No. 4

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P. L. 1206), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, and consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," increasing millage of annual tax for general township purposes.

The First Class Township Code.

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

Clause one, section 1709, act of June 24, 1931, P. L. 1206, reenacted and amended May 27, 1949, P. L. 1955 and amended January 31, 1956, P. L. 974, further amended.

Section 1. Clause one, section 1709, act of June 24, 1931 (P. L. 1206), known as "The First Class Township Code," reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P. L. 1955) and amended January 31, 1956 (P. L. 974), is amended to read:

Section 1709. Tax Levies.—The board of township commissioners may levy taxes upon all property and upon all occupations within the township made taxable for township purposes, as ascertained by the valuation for county purposes made by the assessors of the several counties of this Commonwealth for the year for which the township taxes are levied, for the purposes and at the rate hereinafter specified: Provided, however, That such valuation shall be subject to correction by the county commissioners of the several counties, and to appeal by the taxable persons in accordance with existing laws.

One. An annual tax for general township purposes, not exceeding [fifteen] *twenty* mills, unless the board of township commissioners by majority action shall, upon due cause shown by resolution, petition the court of quarter sessions, in which case the court may order a rate of not more than five mills additional to be levied: Further provided, That if, at the hearing before the court of quarter sessions upon said petition, of which notice shall be given as the court may direct, which hearing shall be held not less than ten nor more than fifteen days after said petition shall be presented, the