No. 25

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," limiting the necessity for approval of plans and specifications for construction and alteration of county buildings by judges of the court of common pleas to county court houses, county jails, prisons, workhouses and detention homes.

The County Code.

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

Subsection (b), section 2315, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended.

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 2315, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended to read:

Section 2315. Authority and Procedure for Acquiring, Constructing or Altering County Buildings; Exceptions.— * * *

(b) The county commissioners may provide, in accordance with this section, for the construction or alteration, including enlargement of a county court house, county jail, prison, workhouse, detention house and such other county buildings, as may be required or authorized by law. Such construction or alteration shall be done at the county seat or elsewhere as authorized by law. Whenever the county commissioners undertake any such construction or alteration, they shall cause to be prepared plans and specifications therefor, and shall submit such plans and specifications of any county court house, county jail, prison, workhouse or detention home as are approved by them to the judges of the court of common pleas for approval. If the said court, upon due consideration and such hearings and other measures as it may desire, approve the said plans and specifications as submitted or as modified, the county commissioners may secure bids for the contract or contracts involved in the construction or alteration in accordance with this act. Any such contract or contracts shall be made as provided by this act, but shall, in addition, be subject to the approval of the court of common pleas as being in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by it, and otherwise proper and authorized by law. The said court may, in each case, follow such procedures, hear such witnesses, or call for such evidence, as shall inform its judgments regarding such approvals.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately. Approved—The 26th day of April, A. D. 1963.

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