

*preclude the operation or use of essential public facilities; (ii) be of such magnitude or severity as to render essential State supplementation of county and local efforts or resources exerted or utilized in alleviating the danger, damage, suffering or hardship faced; and (iii) have been caused by forces beyond the control of man or by factors not foreseen and not known to exist when appropriation bills were enacted.*

Condition precedent to proclaim "extreme emergency" before Governor transfers funds.

*Section 3. No funds shall be transferred or expended under authority contained in this act unless the Governor, based on investigation made, shall officially have proclaimed that conditions of extreme emergency exist throughout the State or in one or more political subdivisions thereof, as authorized under section 7 of the act of March 19, 1951 (P. L. 28), as amended, known as the "State Council of Civil Defense Act of 1951." Such conditions shall be deemed to continue to exist only until such time as the Governor shall officially have proclaimed that they have ceased to exist.*

Act effective immediately.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 406

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," authorizing \* county commissioners to make appropriations for the restoration and preservation of historical sites.

The County Code.

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

Subdivision (d), Article XIX., act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended by adding a new section 1931.

Section 1. Subdivision (d) of Article XIX., act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended by adding, after section 1930, a new section to read:

ARTICLE XIX.

SPECIAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF COUNTIES

\* \* \* \* \*

(d) COUNTY HISTORIES

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*Section 1931. Restoration and Preservation of Historic Sites.—The board of commissioners are hereby*

\* "and" in original.

*authorized to make appropriations out of county funds to any nonprofit corporation organized for the purpose of restoring and preserving historic sites which are within the county: Provided, however, That such sites shall have been designated by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission as a monument worthy of restoration and preservation: And provided further, That local historical societies, associations or interested citizens shall have made substantial contributions toward such restoration and preservation.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 407

AN ACT

Creating a county records committee; imposing powers and duties upon it and authorizing the destruction of certain papers and records by the prothonotary and the clerk of courts in counties of the third to eighth class.

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

Counties, third to eighth class, records.

Section 1. There is hereby created a county records committee which shall consist of six members who shall be appointed by the Governor for a term of four years. One member of the committee shall be the Chief Justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, or his judicial representative, one a representative of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, one an attorney, one a prothonotary, one a clerk of courts and the other a member of the general public.

County records committee, composition, appointment and term.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the committee to meet from time to time to make or revise a schedule setting forth the time when certain papers and records filed in the offices of the prothonotary or the clerk of courts may be destroyed, either with or without microfilming, but no schedule shall be made or revised which will permit the destruction of papers and records less than fifty years old unless the same are microfilmed.

Schedule fixing type and kind of records for destruction with certain limitations.

Section 3. The prothonotary and the clerk of courts in counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth class may destroy or dispose of all papers and records in their custody, provided they follow the schedule prescribed by the county records committee which is created under the provisions of this act.

Authority to prothonotary and clerk of courts to follow schedule.