

(These Joint Resolutions Nos. 2 and 3 were passed for the first time at the Legislative Session of 1961 and for the second time at the Legislative Session of 1963.)

No. 2

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article three, section eighteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for grants or loans to residents of the Commonwealth for higher educational purposes.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

That section eighteen, article three of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended to read:

Section 18. No appropriation shall be made for charitable, educational or benevolent purposes to any person or community nor to any denominational and sectarian institution, corporation or association: Provided, That appropriations may be made for pensions or gratuities for military service and to blind persons twenty-one years of age and upwards, and for assistance to mothers having dependent children and to aged persons without adequate means of support, and in the form of scholarship grants or loans for higher educational purposes to residents of the Commonwealth enrolled in institutions of higher learning, except that no scholarship grants or loans for higher educational purposes shall be given to persons enrolled in a theological seminary or school of theology.

No. 3

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article three of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing and validating legislation establishing emergency interim government.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

That article three of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended by adding a new section to read:

Section 35. (a) The General Assembly may provide, by law, during any session, for the continuity of the executive, legislative and judicial functions of the government of the Commonwealth, and its political subdivisions, and the establishment of emergency seats thereof. Such legislation shall become effective in the event of an attack by an enemy of the United States.

(b) No law shall be held to be invalid for the sole reason that it was enacted prior to the effective date of this amendment.

(This Joint Resolution No. 4 was passed for the first time at the Legislative Session of 1963.)

No. 4

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine, section eight of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, increasing the borrowing capacity of political subdivisions.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

That section eight, article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended to read:

Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district or other municipality or incorporated district except as provided herein and in section fifteen of this article, shall never exceed fifteen (15) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such county, municipality or district incur any debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding five (5) per centum upon such assessed valuation of property without the consent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law. The debt of the city of Philadelphia may be increased in such amount that the total debt of said city shall not exceed thirteen and one-half (13½) per centum of the average of the annual assessed valuation of the taxable realty therein during the ten years immediately preceding the year in which such increase