

No. 59  
AN ACT

SB 1305

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 the chief deputy coroner to act as coroner and the chief deputy sheriff to act as sheriff in cases of vacancies in the offices of coroner or sheriff.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 408 and sections 1214 and 1249, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," are amended to read:

Section 408. Deputies to Act in Certain Cases.—(a) Whenever any county officer is authorized or required to appoint a deputy or deputies, such deputy or principal deputy, where there are more than one, shall, during the necessary or temporary absence of his principal, perform all duties of such principal, and also, in case of a vacancy, until a successor is qualified [except in the case of a vacancy in the office of sheriff, where the coroner shall act as hereinafter provided and, except also in the case of a vacancy in the office of coroner, where the sheriff shall act as hereinafter provided].

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Section 1214. [Sheriff] Chief Deputy Coroner to Act as Coroner in Case of a Vacancy.—If any coroner shall be legally removed from his office or shall die or resign before the expiration of the term for which he was commissioned, the [sheriff of the county] chief deputy coroner shall execute the office of coroner and perform all things thereunto appertaining and receive and retain for his own use the compensation provided by law for coroners until another coroner is commissioned and notice thereof is given to such [sheriff] chief deputy coroner.

Section 1249. [Coroner] Chief Deputy Sheriff to Act as Sheriff in Case of Vacancy.—If any sheriff shall be legally removed from his office or shall die or resign before expiration of the term for which he was commissioned, the [coroner of the county] chief deputy sheriff shall execute the office of sheriff and perform all things thereunto appertaining, and receive and retain for his own use the compensation provided by law for sheriffs, until another sheriff is com-

missioned and notice thereof is given to such [coroner] chief deputy sheriff.

APPROVED—The 3rd day of May, A. D. 1968.

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No. 60

AN ACT

SB 1325

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," increasing maximum membership of the board.

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

Section 1. Section 6, 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 6. Subject to the provisions of section 6.1, the powers of the authority shall be exercised by a board, composed of the number of members, not more than [eight] twelve, as shall be fixed by the county commissioners of each county of the second class. The county commissioners of each county of the second class shall appoint the members of the board, all of whom shall be residents of such county and citizens of the United States, whose terms of office shall commence on the date of appointment, one member shall serve for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and one for four years, from the first day of January next succeeding the date of approval