

No. 171

AN ACT

HB 1626

Amending the act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2017), entitled "An act creating in each county (except of the first class) as a separate corporation, and in each city of the first and second class as a part of the city government, an institution district for the care and maintenance of certain indigent persons and children; prescribing the powers and duties of county commissioners, county treasurers, city departments of public welfare, the State Department of Welfare and the State Department of Public Assistance in respect thereto; abolishing certain poor districts and terminating the terms of directors, overseers, guardians and managers of the poor and poor district auditors, and providing for the temporary employment of certain of them; providing for the transfer, vesting, sale and disposition of the property of poor districts and the payment of their obligations; imposing certain existing obligations on institution districts and on the Commonwealth; regulating the affairs of poor districts until abolished; revising, amending, changing and consolidating the law relating to the care of the poor; and repealing existing laws," providing for the lease of institutional lands and facilities from authorities or other public agencies organized under Pennsylvania law.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 305, act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2017), known as the "County Institution District Law," amended October 7, 1955 (P. L. 662) and February 10, 1956 (P. L. 1020), is amended to read:

Section 305. Powers and Duties as to County Institution District Property.—As a function of the institution districts and with its funds, the commissioners of each county shall have the power and it shall be their duty:

(a) With the approval of the Department of Welfare as to suitability and of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace as to the amount of money to be expended, and upon such notice as the court may require, to acquire, by purchase or the right of eminent domain, lands and buildings for the care of dependents and for farms, taking title in the name of the county institution district; *or, with the approval of the Department of Welfare as to suitability, to acquire by lease from any body politic and corporate organized under the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945 or any other public agency created under the laws of Pennsylvania, land, buildings and all necessary furnishings and equipment thereof for the care of dependents;*

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of December, A. D. 1969.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly
No. 171.



Robert L. Kelley
Secretary of the Commonwealth.