No. 253

AN ACT

HB 1233

Amending the act of June 26, 1931 (P.L.1379), entitled, as amended, "An act creating in counties of the second A and third class a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; providing for the appointment of the members of such board by the county commissioners; providing for their salaries, payable by the county; abolishing existing boards; defining the powers and duties of such board; regulating the assessment of persons, property, and occupations for county, borough, town, township, school, and poor purposes; authorizing the appointment of subordinate assessors, a solicitor, engineers, and clerks; providing for their compensation, payable by such counties; abolishing the office of ward, borough, and township assessors, so far as the making of assessments and valuations for taxation is concerned; and providing for the acceptance of this act by cities," requiring the board to base its assessment on the value of land subject to a restrictive covenant in certain cases.

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

Section 1. Section 3, act of June 26, 1931 (P.L.1379), entitled, as amended, "An act creating in counties of the second A and third class a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; providing for the appointment of the members of such board by the county commissioners; providing for their salaries, payable by the county; abolishing existing boards; defining the powers and duties of such board; regulating the assessment of persons, property, and occupations for county, borough, town, township, school, and poor purposes; authorizing the appointment of subordinate assessors, a solicitor, engineers, and clerks; providing for their compensation, payable by such counties; abolishing the office of ward, borough, and township assessors, so far as the making of assessments and valuations for taxation is concerned; and providing for the acceptance of this act by cities," amended May 5, 1965 (P.L.38), is amended to read:

Section 3. (a) It shall be the duty of said board, in each county to which this act applies, to make and have supervision of the making of annual assessments of persons, property and occupations now or hereafter made subject to assessment for taxation for county, borough, town, township, school, poor and institution district purposes, and to make and have supervision of listing and valuation of property excluded or exempted from taxation. In making assessments of property at less than actual value, it shall accomplish equalization with other properties within the taxing district. The making of triennial assessments as provided by existing law is hereby abolished.

(b) With reference to land that is subject to a restrictive covenant under the provisions of the act of January 13, 1966 (P.L.1292), entitled "An act enabling certain counties of the Commonwealth to covenant with land owners for preservation of land in farm, forest, water supply,

or open space uses," the board shall determine the actual value with the restrictive covenant attached and the assessment shall be based thereon. The board shall also determine the actual value without the restrictive covenant and upon violation of the covenant the assessment shall be based thereon.

APPROVED-The 26th day of October, A. D. 1972.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 253.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

C. DE Laver Tucker