No. 270

AN ACT

HB 1673

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class and second class A; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further providing for physical examinations of applicants for civil service positions.

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

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 1509 and section 1517, act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the "Second Class County Code," amended August 13, 1963 (P.L.662, No.347), are amended to read:

Section 1509. General Provisions Relating to Examinations.—

(b) All examinations for positions or promotions in the police force and for positions or promotions as firemen or fire inspectors shall be practical in character and shall relate to such matters and include such inquiries as will fairly test the merit and fitness of the persons examined to discharge the duties of the employment sought by them. All examinations shall be open to all applicants who have the minimum qualifications required by the rules and regulations, but in no case shall an applicant for promotion in the police force be considered until such applicant shall have first served three years in the police force in which he seeks promotion. Each applicant for examination shall be subject to the rules adopted by the commission, and shall be required to submit to a physical examination. [before being admitted to the regular examination held by the commission.]

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Section 1517. Physical Examinations.—All applicants for examination shall undergo a physical examination, which shall be conducted under the supervision of a doctor of medicine appointed by the board of county commissioners. No person shall be eligible [to take an examination] for appointment until said doctor certifies to the commission that the applicant is free from any bodily or mental defects, deformity or disease that might incapacitate him from the discharge of the duties of the position desired in the police force or as fireman or fire inspector.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 2nd day of December, A. D. 1976.

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