

day of May of the succeeding year they shall be placed in the hands of the township solicitor for collection. The solicitor shall collect the same, together with five per centum (5%) as attorney's commission, and interest from the date such assessments were due, by a municipal claim filed against the property of the delinquent owner in like manner as municipal claims are by law filed and collected. Where an owner has two or more lots against which there is an assessment for the same year, all such lots shall be embraced in one claim. All assessments, when collected, shall be paid over to the township treasurer, who shall receive and shall keep all such assessments collected for lighting the streets and highways in a separate account and pay out the same only upon orders signed by the president or vice president of the township commissioners, attested by the secretary or assistant secretary. The treasurer shall make a report to the auditor or controller of the township annually.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in ten days.

Act effective in
ten days.

APPROVED—The 31st day of May, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 28

AN ACT

Amending the act of August twenty, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 1212), entitled "An act providing for the study of the problems of alcoholism; the treatment, commitment, rehabilitation and protection of persons addicted to the excessive use of alcoholic beverages; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the courts and the Department of Health; and making an appropriation," granting the Municipal Court of Philadelphia concurrent jurisdiction in Philadelphia with the courts of common pleas in the commitment of persons addicted to the excessive use of alcoholic beverages.

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

"Alcoholies."

Section 1. Clause (c), subclause (1) of section five, act of August twenty, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 1212), entitled "An act providing for the study of the problems of alcoholism; the treatment, commitment, rehabilitation and protection of persons addicted to the excessive use of alcoholic beverages; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the courts and the Department of Health; and making an appropriation," is amended to read:

Clause (c), sub-
clause (1),
section 5, act of
August 20, 1953,
P. L. 1212,
amended.

Section 5. Commitment; Procedure.—Any person who, through the excessive use of alcoholic beverages,

has become unable to care for himself, his family, or his property, or has become a burden on the public, may be admitted to the hospital or clinical facilities established or contracted for under section four of this act, as follows:

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(c) Court commitment upon petition.

Concurrent
Jurisdiction.

(1) A petition to commit any person may be presented to the court of common pleas of the county in which such person is a resident or may be found, *or if a resident of or found in Philadelphia either to a court of common pleas or to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia*, and notice thereof shall be given to the Director, who shall immediately certify to the court whether facilities are available to receive the person referred to in the petition in the event that the court should order his commitment.

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APPROVED—The 31st day of May, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

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No. 29

AN ACT

Amending the act of May twenty-one, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 149), entitled, as amended, "An act imposing a State tax, payable by those herein defined as distributors, on liquid fuels used or sold and delivered within the Commonwealth, which are practically, and commercially suitable for use in internal combustion engines for the generation of power; providing for the collection and lien of the tax, and the distribution and use of the proceeds thereof; requiring such distributors to secure permits, to file corporate surety bonds and reports, and to retain certain records; imposing duties on retail dealers, common carriers, county commissioners, and such distributors; providing for rewards; imposing certain costs on counties; conferring powers and imposing duties on certain State officers and departments; providing for refunds; imposing penalties; and making an appropriation," extending the provisions of the additional tax for a limited time.

"The Liquid
Fuels Tax Act."

Section 4, act of
May 21, 1931,
P. L. 149, as last
amended by act
of May 27, 1953,
P. L. 252, fur-
ther amended.

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

Section 1. Section four, act of May twenty-one, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 149), known as "The Liquid Fuels Tax Act," amended May twenty-seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 252), is amended to read:

Section 4. Imposition of Tax; Exemptions and Deductions.—A permanent State tax of three cents a gallon, or fractional part thereof, is hereby imposed and