

Section 3. The Governor is hereby authorized to appoint a competent person learned in the law as additional law judge of the orphans' court of the fifth judicial district to serve until the first Monday of January, one thousand nine hundred fifty-eight.

Interim  
appointment.

APPROVED—The 6th day of April, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 475

AN ACT

Amending the act of April nine, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof; including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," creating the Advisory Board on Problems of Older Workers within the Department of Labor and Industry, and placing additional powers and duties in the Department of Labor and Industry with respect to aging and aged persons.

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

The Administrative Code of 1929.

Section 1. Section two hundred three, act of April nine, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," amended July twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 656), is amended to read:

Section 203, act of April 9, 1929, P. L. 177, amended July 28, 1953, P. L. 656, further amended.

Section 203. Advisory Boards and Commissions.—The following advisory boards and commissions are placed in and made parts of the respective administrative departments, as follows:

In the Department of Military Affairs,  
State Military Reservation Commission,  
State Veterans' Commission;

In the Department of Forests and Waters,  
State Forest Commission,  
Flood Control Commission;

In the Department of Health,  
Advisory Health Board;

In the Department of Labor and Industry,  
Industrial Board,  
Advisory Council on Affairs of the Handicapped,  
*Advisory Board on Problems of Older Workers*;

In the Department of Welfare,  
State Welfare Commission;

In the Department of Property and Supplies,  
General Galusha-Pennypacker Monument Com-  
mission.

Act of April 9,  
1929, P. L. 177,  
amended by add-  
ing a new section  
465.

Section 2. The act is amended by adding, after sec-  
tion \*464, a new section to read:

*Section \*\*465. Advisory Board on Problems of Older  
Workers.—*

*(a) The Advisory Board on Problems of Older Work-  
ers shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed  
by the Governor not more than five of such members to  
be from the same political party. The Secretary of Labor  
and Industry shall be ex-officio chairman of the board.*

*(b) The terms of the members shall be for four years  
from the dates of their appointment, or until their  
successors are appointed and qualified.*

*(c) Five members of the board shall constitute a  
quorum.*

*(d) Each member of the board shall receive per diem  
compensation at the rate of thirty-five dollars (\$35) per  
day for the time actually devoted to the business of the  
board, such compensation not to exceed, in any calendar  
year, the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per mem-  
ber. The compensation of the members of the board shall  
be paid from funds available to the Department of Labor  
and Industry for operation of its employment programs.*

Act of April 9,  
1929, P. L. 177,  
amended by add-  
ing a new section  
2209.2.

Section 3. The act is amended by adding, after sec-  
tion 2209.1, a new section to read:

*Section 2209.2. Advisory Board on Problems of  
Older Workers.—*

*(a) The Advisory Board on Problems of Older Work-  
ers shall have the power, and its objective shall be, to  
consider and advise the Secretary of Labor and Industry  
upon all matters related to the problems of the aging*

\* "463" in original.

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and the aged, including the formulation of policies and programs to inform, guide and assist the secretary in the performance of his duties and responsibilities with respect to the problems of the aging and aged persons. In the performance of its objective it shall study, investigate, analyze and assess existing knowledge and programs related to the problems of the aging and the aged to determine what measures can be taken to provide a better integration of this group in the economic life of the Commonwealth.

(b) The board may, for the purpose of accomplishing its objective, hold such hearings and sit and act at such times and places as the board may deem advisable.

(c) The board is authorized to secure directly from any administrative department or independent administrative or departmental administrative board or commission information, suggestions, estimates and statistics for the purpose of performing its objective, and each such administrative department or independent administrative or departmental administrative board or commission is authorized and directed to furnish such information, suggestions, estimates and statistics directly to the board upon request made by the chairman.

Section 4. The act is amended by adding, after section 2210, a new section to read:

Act of April 9,  
1929, P. L. 177,  
amended by adding  
a new section  
2210.1.

Section 2210.1. Older Workers.—

The Department of Labor and Industry shall have the power, and its duties shall be:

(a) To develop through public employment offices specialized services in counseling and placement programs for older workers, and foster through cooperative effort the development of the facilities of other governmental and private agencies for expanding the opportunities and potentials of aging persons;

(b) To develop, in cooperation with the Federal government, State, local and private agencies, sound programs for the occupational rehabilitation and vocational training of the employed and unemployed among the aging;

(c) To conduct research with the view to reducing age barriers in the hire, employment and retention of older workers, including analysis of the nature and scope of the problems confronting aging persons, the compilation of adequate current statistics with respect thereto, and the development of measures for improving the utilization of older workers and their skills;

(d) To sponsor in communities of the Commonwealth informational and educational programs to aid in the hire, employment and retention of older workers;

(e) To formulate and submit to the Governor measures for eliminating age restrictions in public employment, reducing relative costs incident to the employment of older workers, and developing financial and other incentives in industry for their employment;

(f) To recommend to the Governor such specific proposals for legislation as are deemed necessary and proper in such fields as unemployment compensation insurance, education, vocational training and rehabilitation for easing and stimulating the employment of aging workers.

Appropriation.

Section 5. Appropriation.—The sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary for the administration of this act, exclusive of moneys received by the Commonwealth for such purpose under any act of Congress, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Labor and Industry for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Act effective immediately.

Section 6. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 11th day of April, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

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No. 476

AN ACT

Authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to make a study of appropriate ways and methods for developing and promoting the historical interest of Philadelphia and vicinity, and specifically for developing a "colonial compound" in Germantown.

Pennsylvania  
Historical  
and Museum  
Commission.

Authority to  
make a certain  
study.

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

Section 1. The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to make a study of appropriate ways and methods by which the historical interest of the City of Philadelphia and of its vicinity may best be promoted and by which historic homes and buildings, still remaining in that area, may be developed and presented as a basis for a fuller understanding and appreciation of the great contribution of colonial Philadelphia to the formation of American ideas and institutions.

Accomplish-  
ments of other  
states.

Section 2. Great attention has been given to such historical developments in other states. At Williamsburg, the colonial capital of Virginia from 1699 to 1779, the Capitol, The Governor's Palace, taverns, homes, and even the colonial jail have been restored in minute and