

Section 12. Repeal.—All acts and parts of acts are hereby repealed insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Section 13. Effective Date.—The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 663

AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, to erect and construct a toll bridge over the Monongahela River, connecting the State highway system in Washington County with the system of State highways in Fayette County, and to provide the necessary approaches and connections with such State highways; empowering counties to pay certain damages; providing for the collection of tolls; and making an appropriation.

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

Bridge connecting State highways.

Section 1. The Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby authorized to erect and construct a bridge over the Monongahela River in the vicinity of Brownsville, connecting the State highway system in Washington County with the system of State highways in Fayette County, and to acquire the necessary land for approaches thereto.

Department of Highways, with approval of the Governor, authorized to build a bridge over the Monongahela River, connecting State highways in Fayette and Washington Counties.

Section 2. In the construction of the bridge and the approaches thereto, and connections with existing State highways, the Department of Highways shall have all of the powers and authority conferred with respect to the relocation, widening or construction of State highways, including the exercise of the power of eminent domain. \*Any damages sustained by reason of taking property in the relocation, widening or construction of any such bridge, the approaches thereto and connections with State highways, shall be ascertained in accordance with laws applicable to the ascertainment of damages in relocating, widening or constructing State highways and such damages, when ascertained, shall be paid by the Commonwealth or county or counties as may be agreed upon in accordance with the laws relating to State highways.

Powers of Department of Highways in construction of bridge.

The Department of Highways shall have authority to make and carry out, and to do every other act necessary to carry out, the project herein authorized.

\* "and" in original.

Tolls, collections, reimbursement of Motor License Fund, cessation of tolls, and return of bridge to State highways system.

Section 3. After the completion of any such bridge and the approaches thereto, the Department of Highways shall provide for the collection of tolls until such tolls have been sufficient to reimburse the Motor License Fund for all costs, including the salaries of toll takers and maintenance and repair of such bridge during the period tolls are collected. As soon as the Motor License Fund has been reimbursed for all costs, any such bridge shall be freed from toll and shall become a part of the system of State highways to be administered, by the Department of Highways, under the provisions of present or future laws governing the reconstruction and maintenance of State highways.

Appropriations from Motor License Fund.

Section 4. So much of the money in the Motor License Fund, from time to time, as may be needed to carry out the provisions of this act, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Highways for such purposes.

Act effective immediately.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 664

### AN ACT

Amending the act of July eighteen, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 1043), entitled "An act establishing a public school employes' retirement system, and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing employes, defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom, and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits, and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties," by defining "final salary."

Public school employes' retirement system.

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

Clause (17), section 1, act of July 18, 1917, P. L. 1043, amended December 27, 1951, P. L. 1739, further amended.

Section 1. Clause (17) of section one of the act of July eighteen, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 1043), entitled "An act establishing a public school employes' retirement system, and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing employes, defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom, and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers