

contest or disputed: Provided, however, That the amount of such liquidated damages shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200) or six percent (6%) of the claim, whichever is greater.

APPROVED—The 31st day of July, A. D. 1968.

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No. 298

AN ACT

HB 2543

Amending the act of January 19, 1968 (P. L. 1030), entitled "An act providing for a course of instruction and training for justices of the peace and aldermen," extending the time for filing certificates.

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

Section 1. Section 3, act of January 19, 1968 (P. L. 1030), entitled "An act providing for a course of instruction and training for justices of the peace and aldermen," is amended to read:

Section 3. The jurisdiction of the justices of the peace or aldermen shall be limited to summary offenses until said justice of the peace or <sup>1</sup>aldermen shall have completed the course of training and education. No justice of the peace or alderman elected or appointed for a term of office commencing on and after the [~~seventh~~] fifth day of November, [1967] 1968 except one who has been admitted to practice law in this Commonwealth, shall exercise jurisdiction or perform any judicial act other than in a summary proceeding unless he has filed in the Office of the Prothonotary in the county for which he has been selected a Certificate of Completion, in a form prescribed by the Department of Public Instruction, of the course of training and education approved by the Administrative Board established and organized as hereinafter provided within six months of the date of election or appointment. The Governor shall declare the office of any justice of the peace or alderman vacant, if such certificate is not filed in the proper prothonotary's office within such period of six months.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 31st day of July, A. D. 1968.

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<sup>1</sup> "alderman" in original.