

No. 666.

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Authorizing the laying out of a State Road in Luzerne and Wyoming counties.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That* Alfred Hine and Ruel Labar, of Wyoming county, and Thomas Smith, Andrew Bedford and John Stone, of Luzerne county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to view, lay out and mark a State road, beginning at or near the bridge across the Tunkhannock creek, opposite the residence of Porter Marcy, in Wyoming county, thence by the nearest and most practicable route to Abington Centre, in Luzerne county; and it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to meet on or before the first Monday of June next, and after having made oath before some officer authorized to administer the same, faithfully and honestly to discharge the duties enjoined upon them by this act, proceed to view the ground over which the proposed road is to pass, and lay out the said road upon the best and most practicable route, having regard to public accommodation, the damage to private property and the nature of the ground, so that a good and easy road may be made.

Commissioners.

Route.

SECTION 2. That the commissioners herein named shall carefully and plainly mark the route agreed upon, and survey the same, and on or before the first day of January next, make out two drafts of said road as located, whereon shall be noted the courses and distances, the crossings of county and township lines, and the crossings of streams, one of which shall be forwarded by mail to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be filed in his office as a matter of record, and one to be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the respective counties through which the road may pass; and from the time of such filing as last stated, the said road shall be to all intents and purposes a public highway, and shall be opened and repaired as hereinafter provided.

Duties of commissioners.

SECTION 3. That the commissioners herein named shall receive a per diem allowance of two dollars for each day they shall be necessarily employed in performing the duties under this act, and they are authorized to employ two chain-carriers and one axeman at one dollar and twenty-five cents per day, their accounts for which service shall be adjusted by the county commissioners of the county through which the road may pass, and paid out of the treasuries of the same according to the time actually spent in fulfilling the requirements of this act, within the respective counties; and the said commissioners performing the duties of surveyor shall receive an additional compensation of one dollar per day.

Compensation.

SECTION 4. That it shall be the duty of the supervisors or pathmasters of the several townships through which the road authorized to be laid out by the foregoing sections of this act shall pass, upon notice given in writing by any person interested

Duties of pathmasters and supervisors.

in the use of the proposed road, to proceed without delay to the opening and construction of the said road to the extent of the means at their command, under existing laws of the Commonwealth, and on failing to comply, the said supervisors or pathmasters shall be subject to all the penalties and forfeitures under existing laws for a disregard of duty in the making and repairing of public highways.

E. B. CHASE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

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Relative to the duties of Aldermen and Justices of the Peace.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the first day of July next, the aldermen and the justices of the peace of the several counties of this Commonwealth, shall be required to return to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the peace of the respective counties, all the recognizances entered into before them by any person or persons charged with the commission of any crime, excepting such cases as may be ended before an alderman or a justice of the peace under existing laws, at least ten days before the commencement of the session of the court to which they are made returnable respectively; and in all cases where any recognizances are entered into less than ten days before the commencement of the session to which they are made returnable, the said aldermen and justices are required to return the same, in the same manner as if this act had not been passed.*

E. B. CHASE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,
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APPROVED—The eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

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