

in the office hereby created, whether caused by death, resignation, expiration of term, or otherwise, shall be filled in the same manner as is required by law in case of a similar vacancy in the office of president judge.

Section 3. The Governor is hereby authorized to appoint one competent person learned in the law as such additional law judge of the court of common pleas of the said Twenty-third Judicial District to serve until the first Monday of January succeeding the next municipal election.

Temporary appointment by the Governor.

APPROVED—The 17th day of March, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 19

AN ACT

To amend section eight of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand sixty), entitled "An act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation thereof," as amended by the act approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred and two), entitled "An act to amend section eight of an act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, ten hundred and sixty), entitled 'An act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation thereof;' and providing certain exceptions to which the provisions of the act shall not apply;" exempting express, steamship, and telegraph companies from the provisions of said act.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section eight of the act, approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand and sixty), entitled "An act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation thereof," as amended by the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred and two), entitled "An act to amend section eight of an act, approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, ten hundred and sixty), entitled 'An act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation thereof;' and providing certain exceptions to which the provisions of the act shall not apply," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 8. The foregoing provisions shall not apply: (one) to any corporation authorized to do business under the provisions of the banking laws of the

Private banking.

Section 8, act of June 19, 1911 (P. L. 1060), as amended by act of May 2, 1925 (P. L. 502), amended.

Exceptions.

(1) Corporations authorized to do banking business.

business. The books or records showing the deposit or account of any depositor with any individual, partnership, or unincorporated association filing a bond, money, or securities approved by the board, as provided in this section, shall not be subject to any visitatorial power, inspection, or examination by the Commissioner of Banking, except as hereinbefore provided; nor to examination or inspection by, or production in, any department or agency of government, State or municipal; nor to inspection, examination, or production in any court in any judicial proceeding, except in cases of insolvency or bankruptcy, or a judicial proceeding or investigation involving the rights and liabilities of a creditor or depositor; nor (six) to any person, firm, partnership, or unincorporated association, now engaged in business as private bankers, when such person, firm, partnership, or unincorporated association, and his or their predecessor or predecessors, or one or more of the members in such private banking institutions, continuously and in the same locality, have conducted the business of private banking for a period of seven (7) years prior to the approval of this act. [and such banking institution is not engaged in the sale as agents or otherwise of railroad or steamship tickets]

Books showing accounts of depositors not subject to examination except as hereinbefore provided.

(6) Certain private bankers.

APPROVED—The 17th day of March, A. D. 1927.

JOHN S. FISHER

No. 20

AN ACT

Authorizing cities to use, for any public purposes whatsoever, any public landing, or public wharf, or part thereof, within their respective limits, fronting on any navigable river and found unnecessary for such purposes, any limitation of use thereof by the municipality arising from donation, dedication, appropriation, statute, or otherwise, to the contrary notwithstanding; and vesting said cities with the power of eminent domain for such purposes.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever the corporate authorities of any city of this Commonwealth shall find, and by ordinance declare, that any public landing, or public wharf, or part thereof, fronting on any navigable river and lying within its limits, has become unnecessary for use for public landing or public wharf purposes, such city shall have the right to take, enter upon, and occupy for use for any other public purposes whatsoever, the public landing, or public wharf, or part thereof, so found unnecessary for such purposes, any limitation of use thereof by the municipality arising from donation, dedication, appropria-

Cities.

Public landings and wharves found unnecessary may be taken for any public purpose.