

No. 332

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the appointment of a commission to make a survey of the construction and maintenance of public roads, streets, highways and bridges within the Commonwealth, to study and report to the Legislature its findings based upon such survey; giving it authority to sit after the adjournment of the Legislature and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers; and making an appropriation from the Motor License Fund to meet the expenses of said commission.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That upon the approval of this resolution by the Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the Senate Roads Committee, the Chairman of the House Roads Committee, the Secretary of Highways, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Highways, one Senator, who is a member of the Democratic party, to be appointed by the President pro tempore, one member of the House of Representatives, who is a member of the Democratic party, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and one citizen to be appointed by the Governor, shall constitute a commission whose duties it shall be to make a survey of the construction and maintenance of public roads, streets, highways and bridges within the Commonwealth.

Section 2. That said commission shall meet and organize within thirty days after its appointment and select one of the members thereof as its chairman, and said commission shall have power to sit after the adjournment of the Legislature and to hold its meetings at such times and in such places within this Commonwealth as it may deem advisable. The report of said commission, including the draft or drafts of any act or acts of Assembly deemed necessary by it, shall be made to the Legislature of one thousand nine hundred thirty-five not later than the first day of February, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five.

Section 3. The members of said commission shall serve without compensation for their services, but shall receive all necessary traveling and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties imposed upon them by this resolution. All secretarial, stenographic, clerical and engineering services necessary to conduct the work of said commission shall be done and furnished by employes of the Department of Highways without any additional remuneration.

Section 4. That said commission shall have power to issue subpoenas, signed by its chairman, requiring the attendance of persons and the production of such books and papers as in its judgment will assist it in the performance of its duties.

Commission to study public roads, streets, highways and bridges.

How constituted.

Chairman.

Meetings.

Report.

Expenses.

Stenographic and engineering services.

Attendance of witnesses and production of books.

Appropriation.

Section 5. The sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated from the Motor License Fund for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred by the members of said commission; the moneys hereby appropriated to be paid out of the State Treasury upon warrants drawn by the Auditor General upon the State Treasurer, based upon duly itemized vouchers approved by the chairman of said commission.

APPROVED—The 3d day of June, A. D. 1933.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 333

AN ACT

To amend an act, approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand three hundred seventy-four), entitled "An act defining public service companies; and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining, and limiting their powers, and regulating their incorporation, and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation, or abolition, and for the payment of such expenses and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the commission, its officers, counsel, and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission, and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders, subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act, approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act, approved the fourth day of June, one thou-