

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

Approved as to form and manner of execution.

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Section 1. Be it enacted, &c.,

THAT THE AFORESAID, Compact or agreement and every article, matter, and thing therein is hereby ratified and approved and shall be and hereafter remain in force agreeably to the true tenor and intent thereof.

When effective.

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately upon its signing by the Governor, and the passage by the State of Ohio of a substantially similar act, ratifying the compact or agreement herein set forth and the passage of an act of Congress of the United States of America, consenting thereto.

APPROVED—The 5th day of June, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

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No. 349

AN ACT

To amend section three of the act, approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws, four hundred sixty-five), entitled "An act to provide for the safety of persons employed, housed, or assembled in certain buildings and structures not in cities of the first class, second class, and second class A, by requiring certain construction and ways of egress, equipment, and maintenance; providing for the licensing of projectionists; requiring the submission of plans for examination and approval; providing for the promulgation of rules and regulations for the enforcement of this act; providing for the enforcement of this act by the Department of Labor and Industry and, in certain cases, by the chiefs of fire departments in cities of the third class; providing penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and repealing acts," as amended, requiring buildings to be equipped with certain equipment in connection with gas meters to prevent or retard the escape of gas.

Section 3, act of April 27, 1927 (P. L. 465), as amended by act of May 2, 1929 (P. L. 1523), further amended.

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examination and approval; providing for the promulgation of rules and regulations for the enforcement of this act; providing for the enforcement of this act by the Department of Labor and Industry and, in certain cases, by the chiefs of fire departments in cities of the third class; providing penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and repealing certain acts," as amended by the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand five hundred twenty-three), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3. Special Requirements.—There shall be installed such emergency lighting systems, sprinkler systems, [and] fire alarm systems, and gas shut-off valves in such of the buildings enumerated in this act as the Department of Labor and Industry may specify and which in its judgment are necessary to give proper protection from fire and panic to those employed, assembled, lodged or housed therein. No such systems or devices shall be installed unless they are of a type approved by the Department of Labor and Industry.

All buildings enumerated in this act, as the Department of Labor and Industry may specify, which may be supplied from some outside source with gas, shall be equipped by the builder or owner of such building with a gas shut-off valve, attached to the gas supply pipe or pipes on the inside of the building at a point where said pipes enter the building and before they reach the gas meter, which valve shall be connected with a conspicuous and conveniently accessible control box at a place on the exterior of the building, so arranged as to allow the gas supply to be shut off by any member of any fire department, immediately, wherever the necessity arises. The fire department of any municipality shall have the exclusive use of gas shut-off valves and their operation in the event of fire or other emergency. Such shut-off valve and said control box for the shut-off valve shall be so marked as to indicate their respective purpose. The gas shut-off valve shall be so constructed as to automatically shut off the gas when subjected to sufficient heat.

Gas shut-off
valve.

Fire
departments.

All existing buildings and every building hereafter erected subject to the provisions of this act, shall be equipped with such device and necessary appliances within eighteen months after the approval of this act.

APPROVED—The 5th day of June, A. D. 1937.

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