

each, one supervisor and one auditor for terms of four years each, and one supervisor and one auditor for terms of two years each. All such officers shall take office on the first Monday of January next following their election.

Section 216,
repealed.

Section 2. That section two hundred sixteen of said act is hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 586

AN ACT

To amend section four hundred and one of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand two hundred six), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further regulating the creation and abolition of wards.

Section 401, act
of June 24, 1931
(P. L. 1206),
amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section four hundred and one of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand two hundred six), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 401. Petitions to Create, Divide or Redivide Wards.—The court of quarter sessions, upon petition, may divide or redivide any township, heretofore or hereafter created, into wards, erect any wards out of two or more adjoining wards, or parts thereof, divide any wards already erected into two or more wards, or alter the lines or boundaries of any two or more adjoining wards, and may cause lines or boundaries of wards to be fixed and established. No township shall be divided or redivided into more than fifteen wards.

No ward shall be created containing less than three hundred electors therein, and all wards which now, or at any time hereafter shall, contain less than three hundred and fifty electors therein shall be abolished, and the territory thereof shall be distributed among the remaining wards in such manner as the court of quarter sessions shall direct. All other wards as heretofore established shall remain as heretofore until altered or divided as provided in this article:

Provided, That if, in townships wherein any ward shall be abolished as herein provided, the number of wards shall be reduced to less than five, then the commissioner in the ward or wards abolished shall continue in office for the term for which elected, and shall become

the commissioner or commissioners at large from such township as provided in this act, with respect to townships having less than five wards.

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment. When effective.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 587

AN ACT

To amend clause XLIX of section one thousand two hundred* of the act, approved the fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred nineteen), entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," authorizing boroughs to expend moneys for the purchase and planting of trees.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That clause XLIX of section one thousand two hundred and two of the act, approved the fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred nineteen), entitled "An act concerning boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Clause XLIX of section 1202, act of May 4, 1927 (P. L. 519), amended.

XLIX. *Purchase and Planting of Trees; Appropriations to Forest Protection Associations.*—To purchase and plant shade trees along the highway and sidewalks of the borough at the expense of the borough, and to appropriate moneys to any forest protection association, cooperating in forest work with the State Department of [Forestry] *Forests and Waters*, or to be expended in direct cooperation with said Department of [Forestry] *Forests and Waters* in forest work.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

No. 588

AN ACT

Providing a method of annexation of townships of the first class, and parts thereof, to cities and boroughs, and regulating the proceedings pertaining thereto.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever electors, equal to at least ten per centum of the highest vote cast for any office in any township of the first class contiguous to a city or borough at the last preceding

Annexation of townships of the first class.

* "two" omitted.