

*of the rules and orders adopted and promulgated under section four\* by the State Council of Defense, shall upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding, be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding fifty (\$50) dollars or imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days or both for the first offense, and a fine not exceeding two hundred (\$200) dollars or imprisonment not exceeding (90) days or both for each subsequent offense.*

Act effective immediately.

Section 6. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 21st day of May, A. D. 1943.

EDWARD MARTIN

No. 186

AN ACT

Authorizing the Commonwealth to negotiate temporary emergency loans to defray the current and other expenses of the State government during the two fiscal years beginning the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-three, evidenced by tax anticipation notes secured by and payable from current revenues levied, assessed, collectible and accruing during such two fiscal years; defining the powers and duties of the Governor, the Auditor General and the State Treasurer, in relation thereto; providing for the payment of interest on and the repayment of such loans; and making an appropriation.

Whereas, The present session of the General Assembly has provided revenues of the Commonwealth amounting to at least three hundred forty million dollars (\$340,000,000) for general purposes for the biennial fiscal period beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred forty-three, and

Whereas, Such revenues though levied and assessed will not be available in large part for the current and other expenses of the State government until the later parts of the two fiscal years respectively of the said biennial fiscal period, and the collectible revenues will not be sufficient to defray the current and other expenses of the State government during the earlier parts of such fiscal years respectively, and

Whereas, In order that the obligations of the Commonwealth may be met promptly, and in order that the State government might not fail through lack of funds, it is necessary temporarily to obtain funds to defray the current and other expenses of the State government during the fiscal period aforesaid until the revenues that are subsequently accruing to the State Treasury during said fiscal period are available for this purpose.—

Temporary emergency loans.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

\* "4" in original.

Section 1. The Governor, the Auditor General and the State Treasurer, on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, are hereby authorized and directed during the two fiscal years beginning the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-three, from time to time, to borrow, on the credit of the current revenues of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, such sum or sums of money, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of one hundred twenty million dollars (\$120,000,000), as may be necessary to defray the current and other expenses of the State government during such fiscal years.

Officers of the Commonwealth authorized and directed to borrow money on credit of the current revenues.

Aggregate sum not to exceed \$120,000,000.

Section 2. (a) Such loans shall be evidenced by notes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. All of said notes shall mature not later than the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-five. Such notes are hereby declared to be tax anticipation notes. Such notes or renewals thereof shall be issued from time to time for such total amounts, in such sums, and subject to such terms and conditions, rates of interest not in excess of four and one-half per centum (4½%) per annum, and time of payment of interest as the Governor, Auditor General and State Treasurer shall determine and direct.

Loans to be evidenced by notes of the Commonwealth.

(b) All notes issued under the authority of this act shall bear either the signatures of the Governor, the Auditor General and the State Treasurer, or the facsimile signatures of the Governor, the Auditor General and the State Treasurer, in which latter event such notes shall be countersigned by two officers of the Philadelphia National Bank (Loan and Transfer Agent of the Commonwealth). All such notes shall bear a facsimile of the great seal of the Commonwealth.

(c) All notes issued under the authority of this act shall have the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the Negotiable Instruments Law of the Commonwealth.

(d) The current revenues of the biennial fiscal period beginning the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-three, are pledged for the payment of principal and interest of such notes, which shall be payable in lawful money of the United States. All notes issued under the provisions of this act shall be exempt from taxation for State and local purposes.

Current revenues for biennial fiscal period pledged.

Section 3. The proceeds derived from the negotiation of loans under the provisions of this act shall be paid into the General Fund of the State Treasury, and shall be used for the payment of appropriations made from such fund to defray the current and other expenses of the State government for the biennial fiscal period beginning the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-three.

Proceeds go to General Fund.

Section 4. Any loans negotiated under the provisions

of this act shall be secured by the current revenues levied and assessed for revenue purposes of every kind or character accruing to the General Fund of the State Treasury during the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred forty-three, and shall be paid out of such revenues, and so much of such revenues as may be necessary for the payment of the principal and interest of such loans are hereby specifically appropriated. The Department of Revenue shall allocate such revenues to said payments.

Provisions of act to be severable.

Section 5. The provisions of this act are severable, and if any of its provisions are held unconstitutional, the decision so holding shall not be construed to impair any other provision of this act. It is hereby declared as the legislative intent that this act would have been adopted had such unconstitutional provision not been included therein.

Act effective immediately.

Section 6. This act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.

APPROVED—The 21st day of May, A. D. 1943.

EDWARD MARTIN

No. 187

AN ACT

To amend sections six hundred seventeen and six hundred twenty-one of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand two hundred seventy-eight), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; and revising, amending and consolidating the laws relating thereto," by removing certain restrictions as to the location of contagious disease hospitals and authorizing counties to join with any other municipality or hospital in establishing a joint contagious disease hospital.

"The General County Law."

Sections 617 and 621, act of May 2, 1929, P. L. 1278, amended.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections six hundred seventeen and six hundred twenty-one of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand two hundred seventy-eight), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; and revising, amending and consolidating the laws relating thereto," are hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 617. Contagious Disease Hospital.—Whenever, in the opinion of the board of commissioners, a hospital for the care of contagious diseases appears to be necessary or advisable, the board of commissioners may