

lien, until paid, against the property so connecting with such system, and the amount thereof may be recovered by due process of law. *All water utilities supplying water to users within the boundaries of any township shall, at the request of the township commissioners, furnish to the township, on or before the fifteenth day of the month following the month during which bills are issued, a list of all water meter readings and flat-rate water bills and the basis for each flat-rate water charge, so that the data may be used in calculating a monthly or annual rate. The township is authorized and empowered to pay to such utilities, reasonable amounts for necessary clerical and other expenses incurred in the preparation of such lists.*

Nothing in this section shall be construed to repeal or modify any of the provisions of the Public Utility Law.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 149

AN ACT

To further amend sections 318 and 322 of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1278), 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 changing the limits of certain employe contributions and retirement allowances under the employes' retirement fund in counties of the second class, and authorizing such counties and the county institution district to make additional appropriations to the aforesaid fund.

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

Section 1. Sections 318 and 322 of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1278), 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," as last amended by the act, approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 354), are hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 318. Payment by Employes.—Each county employe shall, each month, pay into the retirement fund five per centum of the amount received by him or her as salary or wages during the preceding calendar month. In no event, [however, paying] *shall any such employe pay at a rate greater than [fifteen dollars (\$15.00)]*

"The General County Law."

Sections 318 and 322, act of May 2, 1929, P. L. 1278, as last amended by act of May 31, 1947, P. L. 354, further amended.

*seventeen dollars and fifty cents (\$17.50) a month. Such amount shall be collected by the county treasurer, and by him paid into the retirement fund. No employe shall be entitled to a retirement allowance who does not make the monthly payment herein required.*

Section 322. Amount of Retirement Payment.—The retirement allowance paid under the provisions of this act shall equal annually fifty per centum of the average annual amount received by the employe as salary or wages during the two years immediately preceding the date of retirement of the employe receiving the retirement allowance, and no person receiving a retirement allowance shall be required to pay any amount into the retirement fund. No retirement allowance shall be less than *seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per month nor shall it exceed the sum of [one hundred fifty dollars (\$150)] one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) per month. Retirement allowances shall be paid in monthly installments on warrant on the board.*

Increases in retirement allowances under this act shall be deemed cost-of-living increases only.

Revision by General Assembly in event of a decline or a rise in the cost of living.

Condition.

Appropriation of additional moneys by county commissioners.

Act effective first day of month next following final enactment.

Section 2. The increases in retirement allowances provided by this amending act shall be deemed cost-of-living increases and shall not be construed as a permanent and binding obligation of the retirement fund which will, in perpetuity, entitle present and future beneficiaries under the fund to secure retirement allowances predicated upon such increases. Such increased retirement allowances shall be subject to revision by the General Assembly in the event of a decline or a rise in the cost of living. In no event, however, shall any decrease in living costs result in decreasing the retirement allowances in effect prior to the effective date of this amending act.

Section 3. The county commissioners shall appropriate any additional moneys necessary to carry out the provisions of this act in the manner provided by section three hundred seventeen of the act to which this is an amendment.

Section 4. The provisions of this act shall become effective on the first day of the month next following its final enactment.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 150.

AN ACT

To further amend section eleven of the act, approved the seventeenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred six (Pamphlet Laws 45), entitled "An act to regulate the deposits of State funds, to prescribe the method of selecting State depositories, to limit the amount of State deposits, to provide for the