

ment of which such fund was created, to the payment of interest on such bonds and to the payment of the principal of such bonds at their maturity. Any \*moneys in the sinking fund not needed for the time being for any of the above purposes may be invested in obligations issued by the United States of America and general obligation bonds of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any political subdivision thereof, *or in deposits in banking institutions or in shares of building and loan associations or federal savings and loan associations, the deposits or shares of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, respectively, and which deposits or shares shall at no time exceed the maximum amount so insured.* The moneys and other assets held in the sinking fund shall not be used for any other purpose, except for such other investment purposes as may be specifically authorized by law.

Any investments including bonds of the municipality held in the sinking fund may be sold at any time by the body, board or commission having the management and control of such sinking fund.

Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to require the sale of any obligations, bonds or notes legally held in a sinking fund at the time this act takes effect.

APPROVED—The 29th day of June, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 187.

AN ACT

To further amend sections thirty-one and thirty-two of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred 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 reclassifying counties of the fifth, sixth and seventh classes, and providing for elections pursuant to changes of classification by counties.

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

Section 1. Section 31 of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred 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 amended by the act, approved the sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 401), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"The General County Law."

Section 31, act of May 2, 1929, P. L. 1278, as amended by act of April 6, 1949, P. L. 401, further amended.

\* "money" in original.

Section 31. Counties Divided Into Eight Classes.—For the purposes of legislation and the regulation of their affairs, counties of this Commonwealth, now in existence and those hereafter erected, shall be divided into eight classes as follows:

Those having a population of one million eight hundred thousand inhabitants and over shall constitute the first class.

Those having a population of eight hundred thousand and more, but less than one million eight hundred thousand inhabitants, shall constitute the second class.

Those having a population of two hundred and fifty thousand and more, but less than eight hundred thousand inhabitants, shall constitute the third class.

Those having a population of one hundred fifty thousand and more, but less than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, shall constitute the fourth class.

Those having a population of [one hundred] *ninety-five* thousand and more, but less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, shall constitute the fifth class.

Those having a population of [fifty] *forty-five* thousand and more, but less than [one hundred] *ninety-five* thousand inhabitants, shall constitute the sixth class.

Those having a population of twenty thousand and more, but less than [fifty] *forty-five* thousand inhabitants, shall constitute the seventh class.

Those having a population of less than twenty thousand inhabitants shall constitute the eighth class.

Section 2. Section 32 of the act, as amended by the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws 211), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 32. Ascertainment, Certification and Effect of Change of Class.—The classification of counties shall be ascertained and fixed according to their population by reference, from time to time, to the last preceding decennial United States census, deducting therefrom the number of persons residing on any lands that have been ceded to the United States. Whenever it shall appear by any such census that any county has attained a population entitling it to an advance in classification, or that a county has heretofore or hereafter decreased in population so as to recede in classification, as herein prescribed, it shall be the duty of the Governor, under the great seal of this Commonwealth, to certify that fact accordingly, *to the board of county commissioners on or before the first day of October of the year succeeding that in which the census was taken, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable, having in mind the county offices which will be affected by such a certification, which certificate shall be forwarded by the commissioners to the recorder of deeds [of the proper county] and be recorded in his office.*

Section 32, said act, as amended by act of June 25, 1941, P. L. 211, further amended.

Changes of class, ascertained and certified as aforesaid, shall become effective on the first day of January next following the year in which the [census] change was [taken] *so certified by the Governor to the county commissioners*, except that salaries of county officers shall not thereby be increased or decreased during the terms for which they shall have been elected; *and, Provided, That in the municipal election following such certification of change of class and preceding the effective date of such change, the proper number of persons shall be elected to fill any elective office or offices which will exist in the county by the change of classification certified, and that no election shall be held for any office which will be abolished as a result of such change of classification.*

Section 3. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 29th day of June, A. D. 1951.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 188

AN ACT

To amend clause (h) of section one hundred two, clauses (c) and (f) of section two hundred two, clause (c) of section two hundred five, clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of section two hundred ten, section three hundred six, clause (c) of section five hundred two, and clause (g) of section two hundred five of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one (Pamphlet Laws 159), entitled "An act amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating to the borrowing of money by certain political subdivisions, the authorization, issuance and sale of general obligation bonds as herein defined, of bonds imposing no general obligation of debt and of bonds not deemed to constitute a debt for certain purposes, and to the funding of debt and the refunding of bonds; regulating the keeping and use of sinking funds; imposing powers and duties upon the Department of Internal Affairs and upon corporate bodies and officers of political subdivisions; imposing penalties, and repealing existing laws," by clarifying and correcting the provisions of said sections, and setting forth provisions and requirements for contesting the validity of any election proceedings under section two hundred five.

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

Section 1. Clause (h) of section 102, clauses (c) and (f) of section 202, clause (c) of section 205, clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of section 210, section 306, clause (c) of section 502 of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one (Pamphlet Laws 159), entitled "An act amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating to the borrowing of money by certain political subdivisions, the authorization, issuance and sale of general obligation

"Municipal Borrowing Law."

Clause (h) of section 102, clauses (c) and (f) of section 202, clause (c) of section 205, clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of section 210, section 306, and clause (c) of section 502, act of June 25, 1941, P. L. 159, amended.