

No. 285

## AN ACT

To further amend section 2 of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws 275), entitled "An act dividing the cities of this State into three classes with respect to their population, and designating the mode of ascertaining and changing the classification thereof in accordance therewith," by providing for the regression in classification of cities upon their decrease in population.

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

Section 1. Section 2 of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws 275), entitled "An act dividing the cities of this State into three classes with respect to their population, and \*designating the mode of ascertaining and changing the classification thereof in accordance therewith," as amended by the act, approved the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 18), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 2. The classification of said cities respectively, *to determine whether they shall advance in classification*, shall be ascertained and fixed by reference to their population according to the last preceding United States census, and whenever it shall appear by any such census that any city of the second, *second A* or third class has attained a population entitling it to an advance in classification as herein prescribed, it shall be the duty of the Governor, under the great seal of this Commonwealth, to certify the fact accordingly, which certificate shall be entered at large upon the minutes of the councils of such city and recorded in the office for recording the deeds of the proper county.

*The classification of said cities respectively, to determine whether they shall regress in classification, shall be ascertained and fixed by reference to the last two preceding United States decennial censuses, and whenever it shall appear by both of such censuses that any city of the first, second or second A class has decreased in population below the minimum population figures prescribed for its current \*\*classification, it shall be the duty of the Governor, under the great seal of the Commonwealth, to certify the fact accordingly, which certificate shall be entered at large upon the minutes of the councils of such city and recorded in the office for recording the deeds of the proper county.*

*It is the intent of the preceding paragraph that the classification of any city of the first, second and second*

**Cities.**

Section 2, act of June 25, 1895, P. L. 275, as amended by act of March 9, 1927, P. L. 18, further amended.

Classification of cities, to determine whether they shall advance in classification, to be ascertained and fixed according to last preceding United States census.

Governor to certify fact that a city has attained a population entitling it to an advance in classification.

Classification of cities, to determine whether they shall regress in classification, to be ascertained and fixed according to last two preceding United States decennial censuses.

Governor to certify fact that a city has decreased in population below minimum figures prescribed for its current classification.

Intent of preceding paragraph.

\* "redesigning" in original.

\*\* "classifications" in original.