

Section 4. The Secretary of Public Assistance of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is further authorized hereby, in his discretion, to enter into agreements with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, upon such terms and conditions and for such periods of time as may be mutually agreeable, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States to accept, administer, expend and use, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, all or any part of such trust assets, either funds or proceeds, and the income therefrom, or any other funds of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which may be appropriated for such uses, for carrying out the purposes of Titles I and II of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, pursuant to the applicable provisions of Title IV thereof, as now or hereafter amended, and to do any and all things necessary to effectuate and carry out the purposes of said agreements.

Secretary authorized to enter into certain agreements with Secretary of Agriculture of United States.

Section 5. The authority conferred upon the Secretary of Public Assistance of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the provisions of section 3 of this act may be delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, with respect to any funds or assets authorized to be administered and used by the said Secretary of Agriculture of the United States under any agreements entered into pursuant to section 4 of this act.

Delegation of certain authority by Secretary of Public Assistance to Secretary of Agriculture of United States authorized.

Section 6. The United States and the Secretary of Agriculture thereof shall be held free from liability by virtue of the transfer of the assets to the Secretary of Public Assistance of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to this act.

United States and Secretary of Agriculture to be held free from liability by virtue of transfer of said assets.

Section 7. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 8. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

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

JOHN S. FINE

No. 415

AN ACT

To further amend the act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 566), entitled "A supplement to the act, approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred thirty-six), entitled as amended 'An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing penalties,' as reenacted and amended, providing for the payment of compensation to volunteer firemen or their dependents," by amplifying the provisions thereof as to persons entitled to such benefits.

Workmen's
compensation.

Act of June 21,
1939, P. L. 566,
as last amended
by act of April
13, 1949, P. L.
507, further
amended.

Members of
volunteer fire
companies or
departments
included within
definition of
"employee."

Going to or
returning from
any fire, or
performing other
authorized
duties.

Coverage during
performance of
duties imposed
by section 15 of
act of April 27,
1927, P. L. 465.

Compensation
provided in cases
of self employ-
ment.

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

Section 1. The act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 566), entitled "A supplement to the act, approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred thirty-six), entitled, as amended 'An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing penalties,' as reenacted and amended, providing for the payment of compensation to volunteer firemen or their dependents," as last amended by the act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 507), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 1. In addition to those persons included within the definition of the word "employe" as defined in section one hundred and four of the act, approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, 736), entitled, as amended "An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing penalties," as last reenacted and amended at the regular legislative session of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, there shall be included all members of volunteer fire companies or volunteer fire departments of the various cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, and townships, who shall be and are hereby declared to be "employes" of such cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, for all the purposes of said act, and shall be entitled to receive compensation in case of injuries received while actually engaged as firemen or while going to or returning from any fire which the fire companies or fire department of which they are members shall have attended or while performing any other duties of such companies or fire department authorized by such cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships. *or while performing duties imposed by section fifteen of the act, approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 465), as amended.*

The city, borough, incorporated town or township as employer shall, in all cases, be deemed to have knowledge of all other employment of all members of its volunteer fire companies or volunteer fire departments, including

self employment, and shall be liable for compensation on account of all wages and earnings resulting therefrom. In all cases where an injury compensable under the provisions of this act is received by a member of a volunteer fire company or volunteer fire department who is in whole or in part a self employer, and loss of earnings results therefrom, such earnings shall, for the purposes of this act, be regarded as wages. The average weekly wage as so regarded shall be that most favorable to the employe, computed by dividing by thirteen the total earnings of the employe in the first, second, third or fourth period of thirteen consecutive calendar weeks in the fifty-two weeks immediately preceding the accident.

Method of computing average weekly wage.

Section 2. This act shall become effective ten days after final enactment.

Act effective 10 days after final enactment.

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

JOHN S. FINE

No. 416

AN ACT

To further amend section 305 of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 2017), entitled "An act creating in each county (except of the first class) as a separate corporation, and in each city of the first and second class as a part of the city government, an institution district for the care and maintenance of certain indigent persons and children; prescribing the powers and duties of county commissioners, county treasurers, city departments of public welfare, the State Department of Welfare and the State Department of Public Assistance in respect thereto; abolishing certain poor districts and terminating the terms of directors, overseers, guardians and managers of the poor and poor district auditors, and providing for the temporary employment of certain of them; providing for the transfer, vesting, sale and disposition of the property of poor districts and the payment of their obligations; imposing certain existing obligations on institution districts and on the Commonwealth; regulating the affairs of poor districts until abolished; revising, amending, changing and consolidating the law relating to the care of the poor; and repealing existing laws," by requiring the approval of the court of quarter sessions for the erection and alteration of institutions; and further prescribing the powers of the Department of Welfare.

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

Section 1. Section 305 of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 2017), entitled "An act creating in each county (except of the first class) as a separate corporation, and in each city of the first and second class as a part of the city government, an institu-

"County Institution District Law."

Section 305, act of June 24, 1937, P. L. 2017, as amended by act of April 21, 1949, P. L. 704, further amended.