

such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, as it finds necessary or appropriate to the efficient administration of the functions with which it is charged under this act.

Section 9. Studies and Reports.—The State Agency shall make studies concerning the problem of old-age and survivors insurance protection for employes of the Commonwealth and local governments and their instrumentalities, and concerning the operation of agreements made and plans approved under this act, and shall submit a report to the General Assembly, at the beginning of each regular session, covering the administration and operation of this act during the preceding biennium, including such recommendations for amendments to this act as the State Agency considers proper.

Section 10. Administrative Appropriation.—For the purpose of administering the provisions of this act for the biennium beginning the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one, and ending the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three, there is hereby appropriated to the State Agency the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000).

Appropriation.

Section 11. The sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) is hereby appropriated to the State Agency to be paid into the Contribution Fund.

Section 12. Repeal.—All acts and parts of acts are hereby repealed insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Section 13. Effective Date.—The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 5th day of January, A. D. 1952.

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No. 492

AN ACT

Fixing the fees or costs to be charged by aldermen, magistrates and justices of the peace, and imposing liability therefor upon the county in certain cases.

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

“Minor Judiciary Fee Bill.”

Section 1. Short Title; Scope.—(a) This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Minor Judiciary Fee Bill.”

(b) After the effective date of this act, the fees to be charged by aldermen, justices of the peace and magistrates, hereinafter referred to as “the minor judiciary,” shall be as fixed by this act.

Section 2. Criminal Cases.—(a) The fees to be charged by the minor judiciary in every criminal case, except as hereinafter provided, shall be as follows:

- (1) Summary conviction, except motor vehicle cases\$ 9
- (2) Summary conviction, motor vehicle cases\$ 5
- (3) Misdemeanor\$11
- (4) Felony\$15

(b) Such fees shall include all charges including, when called for, the costs of postage and registered mail and the costs of giving a transcript to the prosecutor or defendant, or both, if requested.

Section 3. Payment of Summary Conviction Costs by County.—

(a) In every case of summary conviction in which the evidence is not sufficient to convict and the defendant is dismissed, the costs or fees thereof shall be paid by the county.

(b) In every case of summary conviction in which the defendant is convicted and sentenced to jail in default of the payment of the fine and costs or fees imposed, the costs or fees of prosecution shall be paid by the county.

Section 4. Civil Cases.—(a) The fees to be charged by the minor judiciary in every civil case, except as hereinafter provided, shall be as follows:

- (1) Assumpsit or trespass involving \$100 or less\$ 7.50
- (2) Assumpsit or trespass, involving more than \$100\$10.00
- (3) Landlord and tenant proceeding\$15.00
- (4) Attachment in execution proceeding after judgment\$ 5.00

(b) Such fees shall include all charges including, when called for, the costs relating to depositions and interrogatories and the costs of postage and registered mail, except the costs of a transcript of every proceeding on appeal or certiorari (including affidavit, bail and certificate), which shall be \$2.50 per transcript.

Section 5. Unclassified Fees or Charges.—The fees to be charged by the minor judiciary in the following instances not readily classifiable shall be as follows:

- (1) Order for relief or removal of pauper\$1.25
- (2) Order to seize goods for maintenance of wife or children\$1.25
- (3) Order for premium for wolf, fox or other scalps, to be paid by the county\$1.25
- (4) Entering transcript of judgment from another member of the minor judiciary\$1.25
- (5) Every acknowledgment of deed or other instrument of writing, first name\$.75
each additional name\$.25

- (6) Certificate to obtain land warrant\$1.25
- (7) Marrying each couple, making record there-
of, and certificate to the parties\$5.00
- (8) Swearing and affirming county, township, or
other public officer, each officer\$1.00
- (9) Probating accounts\$1.25
- (10) Writing affidavits or affirmations\$1.25

Section 6. Federal Cases.—The fees to be charged by the minor judiciary for services under the laws of the United States shall be as follows:

- (1) For certificate of protection\$1.00
- (2) For certificate of lost protection\$.75
- (3) Warrant\$.75
- (4) Commitment\$.75
- (5) Summons for seamen in admiralty case ...\$.75
hearing thereon\$1.00
- (6) For certificate to clerk of the district court to
issue admiralty process\$.75
- (7) For affidavit of claims and copies thereof ..\$1.25
- (8) Affidavit of defense\$1.25

Section 7. Repeals.—(a) The following acts and parts of acts and their amendments are hereby repealed absolutely:

(1) Section one of the act, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws 117), entitled “An act to regulate and establish the fees to be charged by justices of the peace, aldermen, magistrates and constables in this Commonwealth.”

(2) The act, approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws 160), entitled “An act to regulate and establish the fees to be charged by justices of the peace, aldermen, and magistrates, in this Commonwealth.”

(3) The act, approved the fifth day of April, one-thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 170, Act No. 171), entitled “An act to regulate and establish the fees to be charged by justices of the peace and aldermen in this Commonwealth, and imposing liability for costs upon the county in certain cases.”

(4) The act, approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws 527, Act No. 208), entitled “An act increasing the fees of justices of the peace and aldermen in cases of summary conviction relating to motor vehicles.”

(b) All other acts or parts of acts, general, local or special, are hereby repealed in so far as inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

APPROVED—The 7th day of January, A. D. 1952.

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