

phlet Laws 448), known as "The Fish Law of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five," amended July twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 666), is amended to read:

Section 220. Resident Fishing Licenses Fees.—

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(b) Any disabled veteran of any war or armed conflict whose disability consists of the loss or one or more limbs, or the loss of the use of one or more limbs, or a veteran who is totally blind and who meets the above qualifications shall be issued such license upon application to any county treasurer without the payment of the above license fee provided for the use of the Commonwealth. The application for the issuance of a license in such case shall, in addition to the other information required, contain a statement that the applicant is a war or armed conflict veteran and that his disability was service incurred. The county treasurer may likewise require of such applicant the production of such applicant's discharge papers.

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APPROVED—The 11th day of May, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 23

AN ACT

Amending the act of June twenty-three, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 932), entitled "An act relating to cities of the third class; and amending, revising, and consolidating the law relating thereto," further regulating the power of the directors of the various departments to suspend certain employes and providing appeals.

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

Section 1. Section four thousand four hundred eight, act of June twenty-three, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws 932), known as "The Third Class City Code," amended June twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 662), is amended to read:

Section 4408. Suspension and Discharge; Reduction of Employes; Appeals.—All employes subject to civil service shall be subject to suspension by the director of the department for misconduct, or violation of any law of this Commonwealth, any ordinance of the city, or regulation of the department, pending action by the

Subsection (b) of Section 220, act of May 2, 1925, P. L. 448, "The Fish Law of 1925," amended July 28, 1953, P. L. 666, further amended.

Section 4408, act of June 23, 1931, P. L. 932, "The Third Class City Code," amended June 28, 1951, P. L. 662, further amended.

city council upon the charges made against any of such employes. On hearing before the city council, where they may be represented by counsel, they may be fined or suspended for a period not exceeding thirty days with or without pay, or they may be discharged by city council, if found guilty of the charges made against them. The director of each such department may, for misconduct or violation as aforesaid, suspend any employe of such department for a period of ten days, with or without pay, without preferring charges and without a hearing of council; [Provided, however, That if] *but no employe shall be suspended more than one time for the identical or same violation or act of misconduct.* If it should become necessary to reduce the number of men in said department for purposes of economy, seniority rights shall prevail, and any and all removals for such cause or causes shall be from the members last appointed, and the member or members serving the shortest time shall be removed first; but members with longer times of service may be discharged for cause.

Any civil service employe aggrieved by the action of the council in fining, suspending or discharging him shall have the right to appeal by petition to the court of common pleas within thirty days after *the suspension or after* receipt of written notice of such action *by council* which it shall be the duty of the council to give and the court shall hear the charges made against him de novo. The issue before the court shall be whether the action of the council shall be affirmed or be modified in any respect or whether the charges should be dismissed *or whether the suspension made by the director shall be affirmed or rescinded.* Where any such employe has been suspended [by action of council] and the charges are dismissed *or the suspension rescinded* on appeal, he shall receive full compensation for the entire period of suspension.

APPROVED—The 11th day of May, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 24

AN ACT

Amending the act of May seventeen, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws 682), entitled "An act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and fire insurance rating bureaus, and the