

destroyed or torn down, but whose destruction was not noted by the assessors and was included in the *assessment.

Section 2. In the event of refusal or failure on the part of authorities of the political subdivision involved to make any such refund of taxes or fees so erroneously paid into the treasury thereof, then the aggrieved person or corporation shall have the right to recover the sum involved, *subject to the limitation herein provided*, by instituting an action in assumpsit in any court of competent jurisdiction within the county wherein such political subdivision is located.

May institute action in assumpsit in case of refusal of refund.

Section 2. Section three of the act is hereby repealed.

Section 3, act of May 21, 1943, P. L. 349, repealed.

APPROVED—The 4th day of April, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 448

AN ACT

Reenacting and amending the act of July twenty-nine, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 996), entitled "An act creating an Anthracite Mine Drainage Study Commission for the purpose of making a study, investigation and legislative recommendations relating to the drainage of anthracite mines; and making an appropriation," by authorizing the commission to act in an advisory capacity in the allocation of funds.

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

Anthracite Mine Drainage Study Commission.

Section 1. The title and all the sections of the act of July twenty-nine, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 996), entitled "An act creating an Anthracite Mine Drainage Study Commission for the purpose of making a study, investigation and legislative recommendations relating to the drainage of anthracite mines; and making an appropriation," are reenacted and amended to read:

Title and all sections, act of July 29, 1953, P. L. 996, reenacted and amended.

AN ACT

Creating an Anthracite Mine Drainage Study Commission for the purpose of making a study, investigation and legislative recommendations relating to the drainage of anthracite mines; *authorizing the commission to act in an advisory capacity in the allocation of funds*; and making an appropriation.

Title.

* "assessments" in original.

Commission to be appointed by Governor.

Composition of commission.

Secretary of Mines designated chairman.

Members to serve without compensation but be reimbursed expenses.

Filling vacancies.

Duty of commission.

Power of commission.

Advisory capacity to allocate funds.

Report and recommendations.

Appropriation.

Section 1. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the "Anthracite Mine Drainage Study Commission," which shall consist of the Secretary of Mines and six other members who shall be appointed by the Governor, as follows: Three from the employes' bargaining agent of the anthracite mining industry and three from the mine owners or their association. The Secretary of Mines shall be chairman of the commission. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the commission shall be filled in the same manner as the member whose place is vacated.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the commission to make a complete study and investigation, either independently or in conjunction with any other State or Federal agency, of economic, social or governmental problems related to, connected with, or resulting from the flooding of, anthracite mines, and feasible solutions thereof.

Section 3. The commission shall have power to employ and fix the compensation of such engineers, experts, assistants, clerks, stenographers and other employes as may be deemed necessary to carry out the work of the commission. The commission shall require and secure the cooperation of the Department of Mines and any State official who may be of assistance to the commission in the discharge of its duties.

Section 4. The commission is authorized to act in an advisory capacity in the allocation of funds made available for the alleviation of the mine drainage situation.

Section [4] 5. The commission shall make a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before the first day of [February, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, together with such proposed legislation as it deems necessary to carry its recommendations into effect] *July, one thousand nine hundred fifty-seven.*

Section [5] 6. The sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Anthracite Mine Drainage Study Commission for the payment of the expenses and compensation of the engineers, experts, assistants, clerks, stenographers and other employes of the commission, for the purchase of supplies, material and equip-

ment, for printing, postage, telephone, telegraph, rent and miscellaneous expenses, and generally for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act.

Section 2. This reenacting and amending act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 4th day of April, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 449

AN ACT

Amending the act of May five, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws 289), entitled "An act relating to nonprofit corporations; defining and providing for the organization, merger, consolidation, and dissolution of such corporations; conferring certain rights, powers, duties, and immunities upon them and their officers and members; prescribing the conditions on which such corporations may exercise their powers; providing for the inclusion of certain existing corporations of the first class within the provisions of this act; prescribing the terms and conditions upon which foreign nonprofit corporations may be admitted or may continue to do business within the Commonwealth; conferring powers and imposing duties on the courts of common pleas, prothonotaries of such courts, recorders of deeds, and certain State departments, commissions, and officers; authorizing certain local public officers and State departments to collect fees for services required to be rendered by this act; imposing penalties; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to corporations," prescribing how notice shall be given of meetings of churches or other religious congregations.

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

Nonprofit Corporation Law.

Section 1. Section six hundred four, act of May five, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws 289), known as the "Nonprofit Corporation Law" amended May twenty-three, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1763), is amended to read:

Section 604, act of May 5, 1933, P. L. 289, amended May 23, 1949, P. L. 1763, further amended.

Section 604. Notice of Meetings of Members.—Written notice of every meeting of the members shall be given by, or at the direction of, the person authorized to call the meeting, to each member of record entitled to vote at the meeting, at least five days prior to the day named for the meeting, unless a greater period of notice is required elsewhere in this act in a particular case: Provided, That such corporations may provide in their by-laws that in lieu of written notice they shall give at least five (5) days notice of such meeting by advertising once in one newspaper of general circulation within the city, borough, or township where the corporation is located, and once in the legal journal published in the county, if any. In all such cases where